

Bylaw change for Elizabeth Street

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To the Okotoks town council and the mayor of Okotoks,

My family and I have lived in our home on Elizabeth Street for the past 20 years. We are well acquainted with many of our neighbours and enjoy the small town community feel.

We have also seen many changes, both good and bad in this area over the last few years. My husband and I do not feel that the change to the current bylaw would be of any benefit to the area. Rather, it would cause more issues than it would solve.

While we understand that towns must change to suit the population growth, this would put additional strain on an already busy street. This is due to the increasing traffic coming in and out from the highway, feeding onto it from Mountain View, and the traffic at the bank.

Pedestrian safety on the corner of Elizabeth Street and Northridge Drive is already an issue, as drivers are increasingly distracted. Not only that, the street has become a raceway for those using the highway. Also, adding additional driveways (on the south side) that enter and exit onto Elizabeth Street (with no concrete divider) will make it more dangerous for the residents to safely enter and exit their driveways.

In conclusion, we hope that the council will consider the concerns of the residents and reject the proposed change to the bylaw.

Respectfully,

Doug and Kerry Hill