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I share all of the concerns expressed by many others who have submitted input on this project. Once again council is being approached by a developer/ landowner who purchased property in Ucluelet and is now asking for an amendment to the zoning that existed at the time of purchase.

if this change to zoning is allowed, the developer stands to gain much in return on the initial investment. But just what does Ucluelet really gain? There is a shortage of affordable housing for those who provide much of the labour to keep the town functioning. This development offers some affordable housing that may probably provide housing for their staff. Beyond that it appears to simply offer more tourist beds and second homes. As others have stated, a restaurant/pub in the area would increase traffic and parking congestion in an already overstressed area.

What will Ucluelet lose? Big Beach is a popular local location for families and children. The daycare routinely uses the area for outdoor play. It is a spot used for education about tide pool life by the aquarium and the Wild Pacific Trail. Preserving the area in as natural a state as possible should be the District's goal. The proposed development would have negative impact on the area. Rather than a small remnant of undeveloped beach bordered by coastal rainforest, it will look like an urbanized waterfront that one might find near a major urban area.

Sadly we have been discovered by people who see beautiful oceanfront vistas as needing development for wealth generation. The value of Big Beach to Ucluelet is priceless as it presently exists.

Please hold the landowner to the zoning under which the property was purchased.

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