

From: Suzi Q [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, March 1, 2024 10:20 AM
To: Lasqueti Island Local Trust Committee

I do not support application #LA-RZ -2023 1 LTC for the dock in Scotty Bay, Lasqueti Island.

When people purchase property here on Lasqueti Island or any area that has bylaw restrictions and regulations for land use, it behooves the buyers to do due diligence regarding the bylaws which may affect their property.

Lasqueti's LUB/OCP are documents that have taken much time and effort, and have been drawn up and agreed upon by the community through public consultation. If an individual was truly unaware, there might be some empathy for their situation. This is not the case here. This application is from property owners who are well versed in land development here and in other jurisdictions.

The applicants have asked through social media to allow their application to be successful in part because they are good people and have prior personal connections.

Their decision to proceed with this deliberate disregard for the community's planning is arrogant and self-serving.

This attitude indictates expectations of privilege.

This application, though targeted at docks, could apply to land density, commercial enterprises and a myriad of other areas. This attempt undermines the decisions and choices the community have made in good faith.

It is an application without valid reason, benefitting no one except the land owner/applicant. The property is not water access only, it is serviced by a well maintained government road.

Is this how we picture our Island? Dock after dock servicing the privileged? Look at Madeira Park or Saltspring Island. Is this how we want our waterfront to be? I think not. This application is self serving and an example of land development at its worst.

Actually, as a development gambit to monetarily appreciate the value of a property it is a very astute move. Value added!!

In my opinion, this application has no valid reason to make an exception to our LUB/OCP. It will be a precedent for other exceptions, thus making our LUB/OCP worthless.

My points are:

- There is no social benefit to anyone other than the applicants.
- This undermines our community plan and the hard work that went into our vision
- There is good access to the property by road

-Applicants could use a mooring for their boat.

-It is a very unlikely site to be used for evacuation, as there are many other places much more suitable.

-It is an eyesore.

Thus I am opposed to this application.

Sincerely,

Susan Rezansoff

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Lasqueti Island