Mayor and Council

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I can imagine Mayor and council patting themselves on the back for all the employee housing created during their term in office. Whistler has always had an employee housing problem- and developers have consistently used that to their advantage.

I always knew that the site would be developed but really hoped for more. The staff report shows that the developer will gain 2300m2 of market housing, hardly a small increase- and not two units as stated by the developer in a letter to the newspaper. Whistler has an over-tourism and a global warming problem. Whistler does not need more market housing.

These buildings will be there a long time and the energy consumption of these buildings is significant. The proposed energy standard for this development is only level 3, the lowest possible level permitted by code. Surrounding municipalities demand higher standards(lower energy consumption). RMOW has dragged their feet on environmental issues including building energy use. Council should demand an increase in the energy standards of these buildings.

Councils job is to create the best whistler possible-not rubber stamp inferior proposals like this one. While there is some additional employee housing created, this rezoning benefits the developer much more than the community of Whistler.

I would support the proposal if the additional 2300m2 gifted to the developer was constructed as employee housing.

It should be rejected in its current format.

Sincerely,

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