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Mayor Alan Harrison and Councillors
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Good day,

For the past 20 years that I have resided on a corner lot at [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] I have enjoyed the privacy afforded me
by my tall cedar hedge. As well as providing privacy, the hedge
has become home to a variety of birds.
The hedge has been in place for some 40 years without
complaint from neighbours or anyone else. That changed in
August when I was advised by a letter from the city that I must

remove my hedge completely.

The reason – somebody had complained about sight line at the corner of 8th Avenue and 10th Street. This has never been a problem before. And no accidents have occurred save for one in which the hedge prevented an out-of-control vehicle from crashing into my home.

Several neighbours and friends regularly drive through this intersection often and none have complained about a problem with sight lines. So who has complained and why? And why is this such a critical issue when there are many other intersections that are visually challenging?

Two examples of this include crossing 10th Avenue SW at 30th Street SW - heading west, vehicles must pull well into the roadway to see vehicles heading north from Bill's Bottle Depot and the cement plant; turning left up 11 Ave. NE from 6th Street NE when the tree on the Public Health property is in leaf. So my question again is, why now, after 40 years without concerns?

In late August several friends were in attendance when two city workers visited my property and spoke of compromise. However, in a Sept. 8 letter from Jenn Wilson, Manager of Engineering, I was informed that "as the hedge is in contravention of city bylaws and creates a safety hazard, staff must enforce the applicable bylaws to best protect the travelling public from an accident at this intersection."

Heading east on 8th Avenue, the stop sign is well back from the intersection. May I suggest it be moved to the actual intersection where there is a full view of 10th Street rather than forcing me to destroy my hedge.

Regards
Carole Turner

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