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Subject: [EXTERNAL]: Smithers Crematorium Re: application RZ-A-07-21 Bylaw text amendment request
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I am writing regarding the plan to amend the zoning on highway 16 in Smithers to accommodate a future crematorium and cold body storage.

As a concerned home owner I am confused at why this would even be considered. It is my understanding that the air quality in the Smithers Valley is already compromised at certain times of the year. According to my research there is no legislated supervision when it comes to crematorium emissions. One can only envision the possible air and health implications that would come along with an unsupervised or accountable business. This said business is insinuating that only 97 people would be using their facilities per year .I question this, after all this is a business venture and there is no profit to be made with such a low number of cremations. Bodies from all over would be shipped here for cremation of course. Starting with such a misrepresentation does not earn them a vote of confidence.

We are not against a crematorium in the district, but it seems unwise to say the least, to consider putting one in such a public and residential area, especially when we are told more suitable, out of the way, properly zoned properties exist in the BVD.

Dear Chairman and directors, please do not accept this proposed business venture in our neighborhood. Not only would the air quality and our health be at risk, our property values would decrease, moreover the beautiful " mountain town" of Smithers would be "tainted" by an unsightly business for all to see.

Yours Truly,
Sylvie Rose

PS We would like to attend the Dec 7th Zoom meeting