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**RE: DA2020/0543 - 50 Lawrence Street FRESHWATER NSW 2096**

Dear Northern Beaches Council,

I live in Undercliff Road, Freshwater, and was not advised of this DA. The web site says it was notified on 5 June 2020. I haven't seen any notification, and just found out about it by chance. Now that the Manly Daily is no longer available (even digitally) for free how are nearby residents to know of such DAs? I note that only three properties East of the site were notified. This is woefully inadequate. I'm seeking the Notification Period to start afresh once all owners likely to be impacted by the DA are notified by Council. Please also review your processes and notify all owners who may be impacted by DAs in future.

In relation to the DA itself, I cannot support it. It is grossly oversized at four stories. It includes commercial premises including possibly a cafe. The last thing Freshwater needs is another cafe, it desperately needs a supermarket following closure of the Harbord Growers and the IGA.

The Dowling Street parking entry/exit is proposed to service 10 vehicles. The traffic impact report says this will have an insignificant impact. I believe it will aggravate an already unsatisfactory situation. It is very difficult to enter Lawrence Street from Dowling Street. Vehicles are stationary in Lawrence Street due to the red traffic light. On a green light they get to exit but not all get through, leaving the Dowling Street exit blocked. In summer it is even worse. When was the traffic in this area assessed? Perhaps it was during the COVID-19 lockdown when traffic volumes were at abnormally low levels.

What will happen to the 139 bus stop that is at the location of the DA? It is an essential amenity for the community.

Freshwater Village has lost the village feel that drew many to the suburb due to over development. If approved, this DA will continue that trend.

Please don't approve it.

Regards

Ann Skarratt