

April 21, 2016

Vancouver City Hall  
Attention: Mayor and Council  
453 W 12th Avenue  
Vancouver, B.C.  
V5Y 1V4

RE: Rezoning Application - 420 Hawks Avenue

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Catherine Limmayog

Support Worker

Maxxine Wright Shelter

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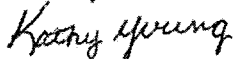
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Kathy Young

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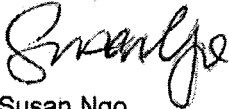
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Susan Ngo

Family Well-being Worker

Maxxine Wright 2<sup>nd</sup> Stage Program

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Maura Gowans

Program Manager

Maxxine Wright Shelter 2<sup>nd</sup> Stage Program

Atira Women's Resource Society

## Tuerlings, Leslie

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**From:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 03, 2016 2:38 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** FW: Comments on social housing development at 420 Hawks Ave.

**From:** Jody Baker s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 03, 2016 11:24 AM  
**To:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office  
**Subject:** Comments on social housing development at 420 Hawks Ave.

Dear Mayor and City Council,

I have a small family living two blocks from the proposed social housing building at 420 Hawks Ave. I support this development and in particular I approve of the latest amendments to the proposal to create more space for single women with children. In the past, we were concerned with prostitution in the Rice Block before the recent renovations. Since the renovation, Atira Property Management seems to have that problem under control. We would not want this new development to draw the clients of sex workers into our family neighbourhood. We feel one way to prevent this, besides good management and security, is to bring children into the building. The 500 block of Hawks, where we live, is home to at least eight children. We would happily embrace more children on our street and in our community from this new development at 420 Hawks. Strathcona, as you know, has safe streets, two parks, a community centre, elementary school and a library with a new one on the way. We seem to be getting new condo developments, shops, restaurants and a craft brewery along Hastings. This is a good place for kids and a good place for Atira; I can assure you that every child and every mother that Atira can bring to us will be welcomed and embraced by our close-knit neighbourhood.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

All the best,

Jody

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