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ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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TO: Vancouver City Council

FROM: Director of Planning

SUBJECT: Form of Development: 1380 Hornby Street

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the revised form of development for the CD-1 zoned site known as 1380 Hornby Street be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE411668, prepared by Soren Rasmussen Architects Inc., and stamped "Received, Community Services Group, Development Services, May 13, 2008", provided that the Director of Planning may impose conditions and approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of this site or adjacent properties.

GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

The General Manager of Community Services RECOMMENDS approval of the foregoing.

COUNCIL POLICY

There is no applicable Council policy except that Council did approve in principle the form of development for this site when the rezoning was approved, following a Public Hearing.

PURPOSE

In accordance with *Charter* requirements, this report seeks Council's approval for the revised form of development for the above-noted CD-1 zoned site.

SITE DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND

At a Public Hearing on April 20, 2004 and Council Meeting on April 22, 2004, City Council approved a rezoning of this site from Comprehensive Development District - Downtown (DD) to Comprehensive Development District (CD-1). Council also approved, in principle, the form of development for these lands. CD-1 By-law Number 9116 was enacted on October 4, 2005.

The text of the CD-1 By-law Number 9116 was amended on November 14, 2006 to revise the rear yard setback requirement (to accommodate a proposed addition of a pool enclosure on the 4th level). The public hearing took place on October 17, 2006.

The site is located on the east side of Hornby Street near Pacific Street. The site and surrounding zoning are shown on the attached Appendix 'A'.

Subsequent to Council's approval of the CD-1 rezoning, the Director of Planning approved Development Application Number DE411668. This approval was subject to various conditions, including Council's approval of the form of development. The latter condition is one of the few outstanding prior to permit issuance.

DISCUSSION

Previously, Development Permit (DE408825) was issued October 5, 2005, in accordance with CD-1 By-law Number 9116, for the construction of a new 16-storey (boutique) hotel comprising of a 3-storey podium base and 40 sleeping units above, and the rehabilitation of the existing heritage building (Leslie House) for the use of the hotel. The applicant has decided not to proceed with the hotel proposal at this time and has submitted a revised proposal under DE411668.

The current proposal involves interior and exterior alterations to an existing heritage building (Leslie House) and a new restaurant addition with surface parking.

The current proposed development has been assessed against the CD-1 By-law and still responds to the originally stated objectives. Heritage staff support the alterations to the Heritage building.

Simplified plans of the current proposal, including a Site Plan and Elevations, have been included in Appendix 'B'.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications.

CONCLUSION

The Director of Planning has approved Development Application Number DE411668, subject to various conditions to be met prior to the issuance of the Development Permit. One of these conditions is that the revised form of development first be approved by Council.

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