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TO: Vancouver City Council

FROM: Director of Planning

SUBJECT: Form of Development - 1350 Granville Street

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the form of development for this portion of the CD-1 zoned site known as 1300-1336 Granville Street (1350 Granville Street being the application address) be approved generally as illustrated in the Development Application Number DE413061, prepared by IBI Group Architects and stamped "Received, Community Service Group, Development Services, February 19, 2010", provided that the Director of Planning may approve design changes which would not adversely affect either the development character of the 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 the *Charter* requirements, this report seeks Council's approval for the form of development for this portion of the above-noted CD-1 zoned site.

BACKGROUND

At a Public Hearing on September 16, 2008, City Council approved a rezoning of this site from Downtown District (DD) to Comprehensive Development District (CD-1). Council also approved in principle the form of development for these lands. CD-1 By-law No. 10029 was enacted on April 20, 2010.

The site occupies the east side of the 1300 block of Granville Street, between Drake Street and the Granville Bridgehead, and Rolston Crescent to the west. The site and surrounding zoning are shown on the attached Appendix A.

Subsequent to Council's approval of the CD-1 rezoning, the Development Permit Board approved Development Application Number DE413061. 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

The application proposes the development of a twenty-two storey (22) building containing commercial and residential uses (187 dwelling units) over four levels of underground parking having vehicular access from Rolston Crescent. The application also includes the retention and rehabilitation of the existing Heritage 'B' building (Yale Hotel), retention of its 260-seat neighbourhood pub use on the ground floor, and the upgrading of 43 Single Room Accommodation rooms on the upper two floors of the hotel.

The applicant has responded to the conditions of approval established by the Development Permit Board and the proposed development has been assessed against the CD-1 By-law and Council-approved guidelines, and has been found to respond to the stated objectives.

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

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications.

CONCLUSION

The Development Permit Board has approved Development Application Number DE413061 subject to various conditions to be met prior to the issuance of the development permit. One of these conditions is that the form of development first be approved by Council.

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