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From: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Sent: Thursday, October 11, 2012 4:26 PM
To: kate brunton
Subject: RE: revised comments re 955 E Hastings

Thank you for your comments.

All public comments submitted for the public hearing that are received not more than 15 minutes after the close of the speakers list for that public hearing will be distributed to members of Council for their consideration. The public comments must include the name of the writer.

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Thank you

From: kate brunton s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Thursday, October 11, 2012 4:21 PM
To: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Subject: revised comments re 955 E Hastings

Thank you for replacing my previous comments with the following:

I have lived in Strathcona since 1985 and am writing to support the proposal for the new 12-story development at 955 E. Hastings, subject to input from RayCam and ALIVE. ALIVE would like to have more input re the 70 units of social housing and more employment for their youth...perhaps tied to the "industrial" area of the project.

Our businesses on Hastings can benefit from this new densification and I am not at all sure that having only subsidized housing and agencies for the poor and disadvantaged is what creates a healthy community. The community to the west of us on Hastings does not look like a healthy community to me.

I would ask the mayor and council to seriously consider the Community in Need of Balance paper put out by RayCam, ALIVE and the Strathcona Business Association. It represents a model for future development on Hastings and provides a cautionary balance to the current DTES local area planning process.

The terms of reference for this planning process do not include equal representation for all social-economic groups.....not even the working poor, the elderly or those in need of affordable rental housing are considered, let alone a tax-paying resident of average income.

Thank you for your courage in supporting this development.

Kate Brunton

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