

TO: Mayor, Gregor Robertson & Council
FROM: Luke Dineley

RE: Application to Council – Old Stock Exchange Redevelopment

Dear Mayor Robertson and Council,

Thank you for the opportunity to share my opinion on this proposal to redevelop the Vancouver Stock Exchange building.

I am strongly in favour of the plans submitted for The Exchange project, and I look forward to seeing the approval of this proposal. As a Vancouver resident working downtown at the Waterfront Centre, just north of the site, I believe that this particular area of Vancouver's core is in need of revitalization. The restoration of the Old Stock Exchange building will enhance the character of the area and make it more attractive and welcoming for those living and working Downtown. The proposed adjoining 30-storey office tower will complement the Old Stock Exchange Building, providing a great combination of modern and heritage architecture while paying tribute to the rich history of Vancouver's Central Business District. Additionally, the approximately 400,000 s.f. of commercial space included in the development plans will further enhance the area, adding much needed office space for Vancouver's business community.

I also support the creation of more responsible, sustainable office space. Many of the green design features of this project are quite notable and set the bar for sustainable office development. I'm particularly impressed by the proposed "green screen" living wall that wraps around the outside of the building, as well as the interior greenhouse. The ambitious design plans for this development also aim for a LEED Platinum designation, which, if achieved, would make The Exchange one of Vancouver's most sustainable commercial office towers.

I am pleased that The Exchange proposal also includes provisions to encourage alternative modes of transportation, with features such as 59 stalls dedicated to bike parking for cyclists, and change room facilities for building employees.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my comments. I am disappointed that I will be out of town during the public hearing, but I strongly urge you all to vote in favour of approving the proposal for The Exchange project and the restoration of the Old Stock Exchange Building.

Respectfully,

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Luke Dineley

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From: [Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office](#)
To: [s.22\(1\) Personal](#)
Subject: FW: The Exchange Project Letter of Support
Date: Friday, October 26, 2012 2:27:13 PM
Attachments: [Letter of support for SwissReal Oct25.12.doc](#)

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Thank you

From: Lorie Joyce [s.22\(1\) Personal and Confidential](#)
Sent: Friday, October 26, 2012 2:05 PM
To: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office; Hoese, Karen
Subject: The Exchange Project Letter of Support

Mayor Robertson and Vancouver City Councillors,

Please find attached our letter of support for the The Exchange project and the redevelopment of the Old Stock Exchange building. We thank you for the opportunity to submit this letter, and we hope that you will vote in favour of approving the proposed plans for The Exchange project.

Sincerely,
Lorie Joyce

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October 26, 2012

To Mayor Robertson and Vancouver City Councillors,

As the Office Manager of Critical Systems Labs Inc., I am writing on behalf of our company to express our support for The Exchange project and the redevelopment of the Old Stock Exchange building.

Critical Systems Labs Inc. has been a tenant of the Old Stock Exchange building at 475 Howe Street since September 2007. We have enjoyed an excellent relationship with the building landlord, SwissReal, throughout our tenancy. SwissReal has always been a reliable, honest and responsible landlord.

We welcome the redevelopment plans for the Old Stock Exchange Building. We are particularly supportive of the plans calling for the renovation and seismic upgrade of the building. As tenants for over five years, we are very fond of the building and are pleased several of the building's significant historical attributes will be restored such as the original storefronts, elevator lobby interior, and the original Stock Exchange trading floor. We are also particularly impressed by the plans to obtain the LEED designation of Platinum. The scale of these renovations is quite impressive and we hope to experience the restored Stock Exchange Building as a tenant in the future.

As a locally-based company we also recognize the need for more office space in the city's core. The proposed adjoining 30-storey office tower will have a positive impact on Downtown Vancouver, providing approximately 400,000 s.f. of much needed commercial space with very close proximity to public transportation. We note that the site of the Exchange project is located at the hub of major public transportation links for the City of Vancouver. The Seabus, Canada Line and Skytrain stations are all within a 5 minute walk of the building. Transit stops for major bus routes are also located nearby. Hornby Street bike lanes are located at the end of the block occupied by the building. With the convenience of easy access to all of these transportation options, development of a 30-storey office tower on this site will help the City of Vancouver moderate vehicular traffic in the downtown core. The 3-level retail portion of the redevelopment will also provide additional amenities for those of us working and living in the area.

I regret that neither I nor anyone from my company is available to speak at the Public Hearing on Tuesday, October 30th. We thank you for the opportunity to submit this letter of support, and we hope that you will vote in favour of approving the proposed plans for The Exchange project.

Sincerely,

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Lorie Joyce
Critical Systems Labs Inc.

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Dear Mayor Robertson and Members of Council:

As I am unable to attend the October 30, 2012 public hearing for the redevelopment of the Old Stock Exchange please accept this letter as a show of my support for the project.

My husband and I live downtown s.22(1) Personal and Confidential and work together at our Chiropractic practice near the Old Stock Exchange site.

There are a number of reasons why we are very excited for this project to move forward. First off, as small business owners we are always happy to see more people working in the downtown core as more people means more potential patients for our practice. We are also very supportive of the plans to restore and retain the heritage aspects of the existing building. Having been inside the building on numerous occasions I am looking forward to the continued enjoyment of the beautiful heritage features in the lobby of the building. I think the design of the building is truly eye catching and will surely be a great addition to the downtown core and add interest to the Vancouver skyline. Finally, I love the sustainable element of the new building and feel it will add to Vancouver's image as a sustainable, environmentally responsible city.

I really support this idea and would love to see it move forward.

Yours truly,

Lauren Kilian

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October 29th, 2012

Dear Mayor Robertson and Vancouver City Councilors,

My name is Kyle Marko and I am a resident of s.22(1) . I am writing you to let you know of my support for the redevelopment of the Old Stock Exchange Building.

I feel that the proposed development has a number of key features that will make it a great addition to the City:

- aiming to achieve a LEED Platinum designation
- primary office use building
- a facility for bike storage to encourage biking to work
- shower facilities on site
- retention of an old heritage building

The proposed building will encourage residents to be more active, help other developers strive to reach the same LEED designation, and sustain – as well as increase – the natural beauty of downtown Vancouver.

I encourage you to vote in support of this proposed development so that Vancouver can continue to build world-class buildings in a world class city.

Sincerely,

Kyle Marko

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From: [Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office](#)
To: [Rob Meekison](#)
Subject: RE: Old Stock Exchange Project
Date: Monday, October 29, 2012 9:45:02 AM

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From: Rob Meekison s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Friday, October 26, 2012 8:10 PM
To: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Subject: Old Stock Exchange Project

Mayor Robertson and Council,

Re: Proposed Rezoning for 475 Howe Street + 819 West Pender

As I work in Pacific Centre, very close to the site noted above, I am very interested in the proposed rezoning. My fellow co-workers and I are always looking for new options for places to go on our lunch and coffee breaks. Based on the plans for this project it looks like there will some great spaces for a new restaurant or two. I'm looking forward to having some new options for restaurant choices in the area.

Thank you for your time and considering this project.

Rob Meekison
Designated Sales Associate
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From: [Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office](#)
To: [Alla Ozerova](#)
Subject: RE: Old. Stock Exchange Project
Date: Tuesday, October 30, 2012 2:33:06 PM

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From: Alla Ozerova s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Tuesday, October 30, 2012 1:38 PM
To: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Subject: Old. Stock Exchange Project

Mayor and Council,

I wanted to express my interest in the proposed development for The Old Stock Exchange Building. I currently work at Holt Renfrew in Pacific Centre and walk by the site everyday. It is a great location for a new, landmark building in downtown. Working downtown I know that parking can sometimes be an issue. Having another 7 levels of underground parking close to the mall would help alleviate parking congestion.

Thank you,

Alla Ozerova
Sales Consultant

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From: [Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office](#)
To: [jourdan.schmidt](#)
Subject: RE: Stock Exchange Building
Date: Monday, October 29, 2012 9:46:37 AM

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Thank you.

From: jourdan.schmidt s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Sunday, October 28, 2012 7:24 PM
To: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Subject: Re: Stock Exchange Building

Dear Mayor and Council,

As I am unable to attend the upcoming public hearing for the rezoning of the Exchange Project located at the corner Howe and Pender I am writing to express my support for the project. I live in Yaletown and work nearby. Having reviewed the plans for the project I am pleased to see the developers want to rehabilitate and renovate the existing Stock Exchange Building to give the building designation on the Vancouver register of Historic places. It will be great to finally have the Old Stock Exchange an official heritage site.

Sincerely,

Jourdan Schmidt

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From: [Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office](#)
To: [s.22\(1\) Personal and Confidential](#)
Subject: FW: The Exchange Letter of Support
Date: Monday, October 29, 2012 12:43:45 PM
Attachments: [JenniferStuart_SupportLetter.pdf](#)

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From: Jen Stuart [s.22\(1\) Personal and Confidential](#)
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2012 11:34 AM
To: Robertson, Gregor; Affleck, George; Ball, Elizabeth; Carr, Adriane; Deal, Heather; Jang, Kerry; Louie, Raymond; Meggs, Geoff; Reimer, Andrea; Stevenson, Tim; Tang, Tony; Hoese, Karen; Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Subject: The Exchange Letter of Support

Dear Mayor and Council,

Please find the attached letter of support for The Exchange - the redevelopment of the Old Stock Exchange Building.

Cheers,

Jen Stuart

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October 29th, 2012

Dear Mayor Robertson and Vancouver City Councilors,

As a resident of downtown Vancouver, I am writing you to voice my support for the proposed Exchange Project. I believe the redevelopment of the Old Stock Exchange Building will be an exciting advancement for office space in downtown Vancouver.

I think it's important as more and more companies start to look to other surrounding cities for office space, that the City of Vancouver continues to provide more office space in the downtown core. This redevelopment helps to support the Metro Core Jobs and the Economy Land Use Plan that have been outlined by the City.

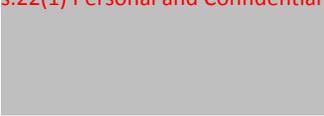
I feel strongly for the sustainability features that this project has outlined in its proposal. Aiming for LEED Platinum certification is exactly the example we need a building to set for future proposals. This project would encourage other projects to strive for the same certification.

I encourage you to vote in support of this project as I think it would be a great addition to the downtown core.

Cheers,

Jen Stuart

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A grey rectangular redaction box covers the bottom portion of the letter, obscuring the sender's contact information.

From: [Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office](#)
To: [s.22\(1\) Personal](#)
Subject: FW: 475 Howe St.
Date: Monday, October 29, 2012 2:54:54 PM
Attachments: [LogoQR-rn3u11-150x150.png](#)
[old stock exchange.PDF](#)

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From: 
Sent: Monday, October 29, 2012 2:37 PM
To: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office; Hoese, Karen
Subject: Re: 475 Howe St.

Please see attached Re: 475 Howe St.

Thank you
John Tait

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October 29, 2012

Dear Mayor Robertson and Vancouver City Councilors,

I am writing this letter in support of the new development to "The Old Stock Exchange Building". My business been a tenant here for the last 22 years and the business has been located here for the last 37 of its 91 years in existence. My shop is located on the original trading floor and we cherish this little bit of history. The Letter Shop has been around a little longer than the building and I have family that helped found this city at the turn of the last century, so history is something I enjoy been a part of. I have seen the drawings for the renovations to The Old Stock Exchange and am encouraged with how cleverly the new will embrace the old, showing "support". Having worked in the downtown core for the last 36 years, I have seen plenty of changes and not all were good. Vancouver has grown into one of the most beautiful cities in the world and a change that shows advancement while encompassing and preserving the past is something I would stand behind.

Prior to Swiss Real taking over management 8 years ago, this building seemed doomed. Management was awful to deal with (if you could locate them) and getting any kind of response wasn't usually a positive one. Since Swiss Real took over, we have always been well taken care of. During difficult times, especially during this economic catastrophe, Swiss Real has done everything possible to help me maintain my business without pressuring me.

As a business owner I realize the need for more office space will potentially increase but with supply and demand, new construction would also help keep rents lower overall. Also during these economic hard times any added construction would provide many needed jobs for all the trades.

I am looking forward to becoming a tenant in the revised "Old Stock Exchange". I have been informed that the Letter Shop will be relocated during part of the construction as well as having priority to relocate into our renewed premises. Vancouver is always in need of new and exciting developments, I look forward to the completion and becoming a part of this amazing and stunning building project. I do hope that City council will be as impressed with this redevelopment as I am. I wish I could attend the meeting but due to another commitment. I will be there in thought.

Sincerely,

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John Tait

Owner/Slave

The Letter Shop (1990) Ltd.