

From: [Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office](#)
To: [Trevor Borland](#)
Subject: RE: Re zoning Taylor Manor
Date: Monday, December 10, 2012 11:22:23 AM

Thank you for your comments.

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Please note that your contact information will be removed from the comments, with the exception of the writer's name. Comments received after the start of the public hearing should not exceed 1500 words.

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Thank you.

From: Trevor Borland s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Monday, December 10, 2012 10:01 AM
To: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Subject: Re zoning Taylor Mannor

Dear Mayor & Council

After reviewing the plans and talking with my neighbours we still have a lot of concerns about the effects of this proposed re-zoning of Taylor Manor to an assisted living facility metal illness and drug users.

We are concerned about:

- Safety – of our children, grandparents, etc. with the introduction of this type of facility, and the potential that this facility will **allow residents to use controlled substances**,
- Property Value – even a 2 or 3% decrease value of our properties means we lose \$15,000 to \$25,000 each! We have worked very hard to buy, build, and take care of our properties and houses and to lose this type money is a big deal for most of us.
- Effects on re-sale – what do we do when we try and sell? Say “Yes, that building houses homeless and drug addicts.” Who is going to buy knowing that is across the street?
- Loss of old growth oak trees and effects on Adanac Park – These oak trees are 100 years old and some are more than 7 to 10 ft in circumvents

It wasn't a good feeling knowing the city plans to move the playground away from this development or that a “fence may be built around the building”. Also we found it hard to talk with city operators as every time we asked questions “pro non-neighbours” would step-up and voice

how good this is for everyone.

We as residents bought and own because it is a park and not a homeless, mental illness, drug rehabilitation complex. We question why here, when there is little to no outside support services and in the middle of a residential area. Is it fair for the city to house 56 people(units) but at the same time negatively affect hundreds of families, property owners, and a whole neighbourhood.

We challenge that saving a building, that when re-developed is only visible from the front, makes sense? By both Heritage Canada and City of Vancouver own websites . One of the major heritage points about this Manor are the surrounding grounds and numerous old trees, which all the old growth oak trees (100+ years) at the back of building will be killed and removed.

“Heritage value is also found the open space around Taylor Manor, and the spaciousness and careful landscaping of the grounds, maintained first by the City, then by the Parks Board. Formal planting of ornamental deciduous and coniferous trees to the front and rear of the building emphasize the formality and country-house feel of the Manor and grounds. The surrounding open space, now Adanac Park, once housed the farming and garden operations for the Home, which generated fruit, vegetables, eggs and other farm produce for the residents. The remainder of the lands adjacent to the Home were the grounds of the Provincial Girls Industrial School.”

Source: City of Vancouver Heritage Conservation Program

Please feel free to contact me anytime or set-up a meeting with the neighbours whom this directly affects.

Regards

Trevor Borland

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