

Bengston, Kathy

From: Dean Malone s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2013 4:57 PM
To: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Subject: 508 Helmcken Street Rezoning

To Mayor and Council:

I am writing today in support of the rezoning application at 508 Helmcken Street. As a resident of Vancouver who has spent many hours fundraising for non-profit organizations that deliver social and affordable housing, I applaud this opportunity to provide a doubling from the current units available at Jubilee House. It is also very reassuring that the land swap that is taking place will ensure that there is no displacement outside of the community for current residents of Jubilee House. What happens at times is that social housing is built away from the community that those in need reside. This means that many must move and re-establish themselves in new communities, often away from other critical support relationships which have been developed. This project will not only provide additional housing capacity but will ensure that residents can continue to live in their home community. This is a critical component which further adds to the benefit that will be seen from this project. This opportunity also confirms the value that can be added to our community when private/public interests can work together.

The design and amenity space of the social and affordable housing units will provide for a much more livable community for the residents. The current Jubilee House is in serious disrepair and livability is in continual decline. Maintaining this building has become unmanageable and does not make sound fiscal sense. I had the opportunity to speak with a resident of Jubilee House a few weeks ago and he expressed that being able to move to a new unit in a building with a roof top patio is something that he never imagined would be possible. Although he is concerned about losing his own private patio he felt that the benefits for all outweighed his personal loss.

The added benefit to the entire community of this rezoning is the addition of market rental housing units, a day care, and school. These are much needed benefits for our community as additional families join the downtown community. The additional market rental units are much needed in Yaletown as the majority of housing in this area is condominiums. Market rental units will open up Yaletown to market renters who previously had limited opportunity to live in this community.

I encourage you to support this rezoning. Thank you.

Dean Malone

Ludwig, Nicole

From: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2013 11:31 AM
To: Ludwig, Nicole
Subject: FW: Reference No 2013005 - 508 Helmcken

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s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
From: Lane, Greg
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2013 7:53 AM
To: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Subject: Reference No 2013005 - 508 Helmcken

To Mayor and Council,

I am writing this note in support of the above project at 508 Helmcken.

As an area resident (1323 Homer Street) it is proving a challenge to enroll my kids in a school close by as Elsie Roy is full, has been full for many years and even if you live in the catchment area it is a lottery system to have your kids enroll in this school.

Plus, the building has a great design and I think they have done a good job incorporating into the existing park for the kids to have a place to play:

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further items you would like me to clarify as it relates to my support.

Greg Lane

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Ludwig, Nicole

From: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2013 9:19 AM
To: Ludwig, Nicole
Subject: FW: 508 Helmcken Street

Categories: Red Category

From: Harry Griffiths s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Wednesday, July 17, 2013 9:37 PM
To: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Subject: 508 Helmcken Street

Dear Mayor and Council,

I live at s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential I am writing in support of the application for rezoning, for 508 Helmcken Street. I also have studied some of the development proposal and the way in which the senior housing will be taken care of is in my opinion well done.

Thank you,
Harry Griffiths