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**To:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office  
**Cc:** Sovdi, Holly; Gordon, Michael; Stephen Regan  
**Subject:** West End Zoning Amendments

Mayor and Council,

Our apologies that we are not able to be in chambers in person tomorrow to convey our views on the public hearing meeting on item 3: Zoning Amendment: West End Zoning Amendments. We hope that you will peruse the attachment and give it consideration of our views to this very important matter that is before you.

Regards,  
Vince J Marino

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## ZONING AMENDMENTS: WEST END ZONING AMENDMENTS

### ITEM 3 ON THE PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA THURSDAY JANUARY 23, 2014

Comments are being submitted directly related to: C-5 commercial zoning with no residential

This is to support the consideration:

(II) (h) to delete residential as a permitted use in C-5, Davie Village

As owners of two entertainment venues on Davie Street we would like to take this opportunity to emphasize the importance of ensuring separation of commercial and residential elements in Vancouver's entertainment areas.

We strongly support the city's vision of providing alternative entertainment areas that serve local needs, and contribute to the diversity and success of the city and the recognition by the City of the Davie Village as both an LGBTQ entertainment and cultural hub and that this recognition has created a vibrant and unique neighbourhood.

The Village is well recognized as a safe and vibrant community not only within the City of Vancouver and the Province but also Canada and worldwide.

Historically it is well recognized that when entertainment of a late night club type is mixed with a residential element; they do not co-exist well with each other. History has also shown that the process of providing notification to new residences or posting signs in and around residences that they will be living in a late night entertainment neighbourhood, invariable at some point result in conflict. This will be a conflict that in all likelihood will then ever be eliminated.

The commercial blocks of the Davie Village are, will and should continue to have a vibrant residential component at its laneways and beyond. We believe that these two elements will be a success to each other but that that success will conflict if the commercial blocks of the Village were to also include residential above and beside the commercial element. We believe that the separation will create an even healthier community in the long run.

As such, we fully endorse the zoning amendments to place separation between the commercial and residential elements. We believe that the foundation that these amendments will begin to create will greatly assist, if not actually avoid conflicts all together. Or at the very least would assist in reducing the level of the conflicts.

And finally, we believe that these amendments will go a long way in providing more dynamic business opportunities, open doors to more late night patios, give greater flexibility in street design and create within the City of Vancouver a dynamic commercial neighbourhood surrounded by an equally vibrant residential community resulting in a unique mixture of cultures co-existing together.

Vince J Marino

Steven Bauer

Residents

Owners two businesses in the Davie Village