

Hildebrandt, Tina

From: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Sent: Tuesday, February 24, 2015 9:34 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: FW: Rezoning Application for 408-488 West King Edward Avenue

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From: Kelvin Mah ^{s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential}
Sent: Tuesday, February 24, 2015 12:40 AM
To: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Cc: Miller, Grant
Subject: Rezoning Application for 408-488 West King Edward Avenue

Dear Honourable mayor and council members,

I have become aware of a senior housing development that is being proposed on the 400 block of West King Edward Avenue. After reviewing the proposed services, amenities and the philosophy of the developers, I would like to offer my full support for the project.

First, some context is important. I was born and raised in this wonderful city, just three blocks away on King Edward and Manitoba. My parents still live in the same house where they raised three children. As they are getting on in years (Dad is in his mid 80's), I've started to think about how to care for them when their physical and/or mental health decline.

My concerns are associated with them initially not being able to manage a house, then looking after one partner, and finally not being able to care for themselves. I'm looking for an option that would provide continued support as one or both of them decline without having to change facilities. I want them to feel comfortable and to feel some sovereignty over their lives. I would want a community that is stimulating and forward thinking in their approach towards senior living as the stereotypes associated with "nursing homes" scare me as much as they do my parents. I want peace of mind knowing that my parents are looked after mind, body and soul when I'm not there.

It is difficult for my parents to even contemplate not living the rest of their lives in the same house. Their concerns revolve around familiarity; they know the neighbourhood and they love their walks. This development is three blocks away and close to Canada Line. They are so interdependent of one another. They want to spend the rest of their lives together and would not want to be separated because a facility could not accommodate both of them.

There are few options in the area and certainly none that will offer all the amenities and advantages of this proposed development.

I'll leave you with this observation: When we are born we seek nothing more than security and comfort. As we approach the end of our lives, once again we seek nothing more than security and comfort. As a society and a city, we should encourage and nurture those opportunities that will provide that security and comfort to those that have contributed the most to our lives, our seniors.

Kelvin Mah

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From: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Sent: Friday, February 20, 2015 2:43 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: FW: 408-488 West King Edward Seniors Continuum Care

-----Original Message-----

From: Lorraine Foster s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Monday, February 16, 2015 7:56 PM
To: Miller, Grant
Cc: Candy Ho
Subject: 408-488 West King Edward Seniors Continuum Care

Seniors need this kind of proposed housing on Cambie and King Edward. We as seniors are fully aware that our Society is mainly youth oriented but their time will come also so let's take care of today's active seniors and be prepared for our future senior generation.

Lorraine Foster, age 80
s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
[Redacted]

Mike Higgins, age 86
s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
[Redacted]

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From: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Sent: Friday, February 20, 2015 2:43 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: FW: letter of support re 408-488 West King Edward, Senior Residence
Attachments: letter of support re West King Edward, Senior Residences Feb. 8th 2015.pdf

From: Eva Kwok s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Sunday, February 08, 2015 9:57 PM
To: Miller, Grant
Cc: Eva Kwok
Subject: letter of support re 408-488 West King Edward, Senior Residence

Dear Mr. Miller,

I am sending a letter of support from my husband (Stanley Kwok) and I for the proposed project , “ 408-488 West King Edward, Senior Residence”. Unfortunately we will be out of the Country when the public hearing for this rezoning is to take place. I hope you will accept my letter of support by mail and email instead.

As you will read from my letter, we are very supportive of this project and cannot wait for it to be approved and developed as soon as possible.

A hard copy of this letter, as per attachment above, is being mailed to you directly.

Thank you for your consideration to this very important proposal for the City of Vancouver.

Kind Regards,
Eva Kwok

Eva and Stanley Kwok
s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential

February 8, 2015

Attn: Grant Miller, Rezoning Planner, City of Vancouver
grant.miller@vancouver.ca

RE: 408-488 West King Edward, Senior Residence

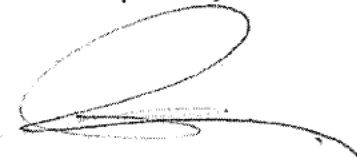
As seniors, my husband and I wish to express our full support of the proposed residence at King Edward and Cambie. We have been following the plans since the signage was erected on site. We wanted to attend the Public Hearing but unfortunately we will be out of town, hence we are submitting our official letter of support.

We very much look forward to this residence being completed. It is exactly what we have been looking for. At our age, we want to simplify and downsize, but moving is a tremendous hassle and we would only ever want to move once. The activities and amenities will allow us to lead an engaged lifestyle, and give us the opportunity to make many new friends. Just as important, if not more, is having Licensed Care available in the same building. This gives us great comfort that we will have everything we need when one day we are not so healthy. We know this will be our permanent home.

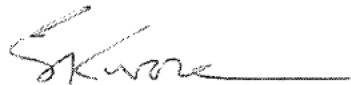
The proposed residence is in an ideal location. The area seems to have a particularly high concentration of elderly, accustomed to the nearby shops, restaurants and Queen Elizabeth Park. It is wonderful that the project happens to be in the heart of the neighborhood. We certainly hope there will be more of this kind of residence in Vancouver to serve our growing aging population. We are glad there is a group with the vision to include all levels of service in one building. This is what we seniors really need.

Please approve this project. We wholeheartedly endorse it!

Respectfully,



Eva Kwok



Stanley Kwok

Ludwig, Nicole

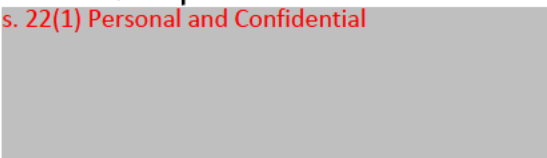
From: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Sent: Friday, February 20, 2015 2:41 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: FW: Online Feedback - Rezoning Application - 408-488 West King Edward Avenue

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From: mailpost@vancouver.ca [<mailto:mailpost@vancouver.ca>]
Sent: Sunday, January 25, 2015 5:49 PM
To: Miller, Grant
Subject: Online Feedback - Rezoning Application - 408-488 West King Edward Avenue

Name: Joseph Dunn

s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential



Comments:

This is precisely the type of development that I would like to move into in the area that suits me. I have been planning to move to Vancouver for the last few years but haven't found the right location. I realize that these things take time but I could see my wife and I living there.