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From: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Sent: Thursday, February 26, 2015 11:58 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: FW: Cambie Seniors proposal at Cambie and Yukon Street

From: Daphne C. Wilson s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Wednesday, February 25, 2015 4:53 PM
To: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Subject:

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to mayorandcouncil

February 4, 2015

Mayor and Council

mayorandcouncil@vancouver.ca

Dear Mayor and Council members,

I heartily endorse the Cambie Seniors proposal at Cambie and Yukon Street. As a senior, I am currently renting and living independently, but know that I must consider where my next move will take me. I want to do this while I still have the mobility and capacity to do so.

Being able to stay within the communities where we raised our family is ideal. As a born and bred Vancouver resident, I like this option.

I like the fact that there are purpose built rental homes and strata units for purchase. While I made the transition from ownership to rental, many of my friends wish to remain in the real estate market. If they have this option, it may help them transition to a more appropriate form of housing with care available as needs change. Different levels of care within the same building is perfect. No one wants to move more than necessary, especially when health is declining.

I have visited many friends in long term care residential care facilities throughout the city. This particular location, near transit and services, parks and shops, is optimal. The safety of living independently yet part of a community is appealing. Shared meals, activities and socializing engage the body and the mind. It creates "built in friendship" when often families are far away or busy raising their own

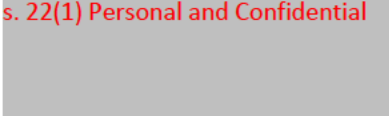
families. We can't underestimate the power of camaraderie.

The Development Cost Levies generated through this project will benefit the Affordable Housing fund and other benefits for seniors along the Cambie Corridor among other things.

Yours Sincerely,

Daphne Wilson

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Cc: Grant Miller – grant.miller@vancouver.ca

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From: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Sent: Thursday, February 26, 2015 11:38 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: FW: Letter of support in lieu of speaking at public hearing

From: Gillian Donovan s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Wednesday, February 25, 2015 5:01 PM
To: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Cc: grant.millar@vancouver.ca
Subject: FW: Letter of support in lieu of speaking at public hearing

Dear Mayor and Council,

I received notification that the public hearing for **408-488 West King Ed** has been postponed until Thursday, February 26th.

I can't attend Thursday, so am sending in my speech. Thank you for your consideration. I am sorry that I couldn't present in person.

If there is any way I can make it I will. I looked forward to my first presentation to Council on this very important subject.

Sincerely,

Gillian Donovan

cc: Grant Miller

February 24, 2015

Good evening Mayor and Members of Council.

My name is Gillian Donovan. I live at 5596 Carnarvon Street and have been a resident of Vancouver for over fifty years.

This is my first time speaking at a public hearing. I'm a tad nervous but hope that my positive conviction shines through.

I support the Cambie Seniors Housing Proposal @ West King Ed and Yukon.

- It's in a GREAT location.
- It meets a HUGE need.
- It's a BENEFIT to all of us as we think about and provide for our aging population.

I have worked with seniors for over 30 years. Having looked after them in their homes, I observe how the interaction with family, or lack of it, creates stress for everyone. The elderly senior, when left alone, can soon end up isolated, frail

and malnourished. If this continues too long, they end up in a downward spiral of health and depression. With the majority of children of elderly seniors actively involved in the workforce, there is a great void to fill and this project fits the bill. Part time caregivers can only do so much. Many of the people still living in their home wait too long to move and suffer as a result through falls, emergencies, and frankly a lonely and isolated existence.

The Cambie seniors development being proposed has the benefit of allowing seniors to move in when they are still able to live independently yet benefit from having basic needs met- good nutrition, social programmes, staff, transit and other residential neighbours nearby. From what I have read and observed, the diversity of our seniors and their various needs will be acknowledged and served. You can't ask for better than this.

The added benefit of this proposal is its different levels of care. Knowing that you can remain within the same facility with people who know your situation reduces stress for the individual as well as caregivers. The ability to only move once brings tremendous peace of mind.

I have worked in both publicly funded and private facilities. Seniors needs are **the same**. As the City allows more seniors' facilities to be built this will ease the burden on existing government-backed facilities that have endless waiting lists. It seems that this is the way forward to handle the growing demand with no burden to the taxpayers.

Thank you Mayor and Council for advocating for our vulnerable population, the isolated and frail citizens that often can't champion their own cause. May those elderly who have invested their labour and love to build our city find compassion and care in the heart of our city through this special project.

I appreciate the chance to share my views with you.

Gillian Donovan

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From: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Sent: Thursday, February 26, 2015 11:37 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: FW: REZONING: 408-488 West King Edward Avenue

From: Kari Yuers s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Wednesday, February 25, 2015 3:13 PM
To: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Subject: REZONING: 408-488 West King Edward Avenue

Re: REZONING: 408-488 West King Edward Avenue (Public Hearing rescheduled to Feb 26, 2015)

Dear Mayor and Council,

I was scheduled to speak in the #2 speaker spot, but, unfortunately this meeting was rescheduled at the last minute and I am no longer able to attend in person so I am writing to you to express my opinion regarding this proposed development. I live in Vancouver and my aging parents live a few blocks from me in Vancouver as well. I've reviewed the plans of the proposed development and I believe that this is a much needed development in the location of West King Edward for senior living. I believe that this development represents a unique opportunity for seniors to adopt a community of neighbours and friends and as they age and require more help and medical assistance, this development allows them to keep their surroundings consistent as they are able to get the care they need without having to move away from their friends and support network. I believe that this is a critical difference to other senior housing developments and it is important that the public understands how important it is for family members to have their ageing family members feel secure and looked after in the later or last days of their life.

All too often, I hear sad stories of my friends having to deal with their mother or father being "kicked out" of prominent and expensive senior housing at the point where they may need the assistance of a visiting nurse. This is just a tragedy when it happens. The mental and physical toll is punishing for the entire family.

This proposed senior housing project is in an excellent location for seniors and the care and it is clear that there has been a lot of skillful thought and heartfelt attention to the plans and amenities. This is truly a sustainable housing development. I highly recommend that this proposed seniors housing development is supported and approved by you and the council.

Thank you,
Kari Yuers

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From: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Sent: Thursday, February 26, 2015 11:36 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: FW: Continuum of Care Residences at Cambie and King Edward

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From: s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Wednesday, February 25, 2015 10:35 AM
To: Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office
Cc: Miller, Grant
Subject: Continuum of Care Residences at Cambie and King Edward

Dear Sir,

I am writing in support of the above proposal.

There is a need for comprehensive retirement facilities that will allow seniors to stay in the same area as their needs change.

I feel that this development is in a good geographic area to provide access to transportation, shopping and recreation while in a residential setting. It's important for seniors to remain connected to the community and be able to interact with the neighbourhood and not be isolated.

The development, while larger than the existing homes, seems right for King Edward. The residents will be a bonus to the local businesses as well as active participants at the Hillcrest Community Centre and library.

We have money to spend and we go to sleep at 9:00 pm.

Perfect neighbours.

J. Dunn

Sent from my iPad