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**From:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 21, 2016 5:07 PM  
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**Subject:** FW: In Support of 5. REZONING: 1755 West 14th Avenue

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**From:** Stuart Smith s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 21, 2016 5:00 PM  
**To:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office  
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Dear Mayor Robertson and Council,

I'm writing in support of the proposed rezoning of 1755 West 14th Ave, however I have concerns with the excess of parking provided.

I live in the area in a rental building built in the early 1900's and I am eager to see Vancouver return to building to market demand as we did in the early 1900's. The area is relatively low density for it's proximity to downtown and there are plenty of nearby shops and services on Granville St. Every additional unit not built pushes one more person out of the city or into homelessness.

My only concern is the over provision of parking. As you may beware, recent research (<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/wonk/wp/2016/01/15/the-problem-with-parking/>) continues to point to parking as a key driver of automobile mode share, and all the negative externalities that ensue.

I would be more supportive of the proposal if it included much less underground parking and a plan to set curb parking (residential and meter) to market demand rates.

Sincerely

Stuart Smith