

October 18, 2016



Dear Mayor and Council:

**RE: CD-1 Rezoning: 725-747 Southeast Marine Drive**

Please accept this letter regarding CD-1 Rezoning of 725-747 Southeast Marine Drive, including its proposal of two co-located facilities: a childcare centre with 37 spaces for toddlers and children ages 3-5, and a multi-purpose neighbourhood annex.

South Vancouver Neighbourhood House is a private social service agency offering activities and services designed to meet the needs of the particular area of the city in which it is located. SVNH serves the community from Main Street to Boundary, and from 41st to the Fraser River. 725 SE Marine Drive falls within SVNH's catchment area and is an important part of our neighbourhood. We support the rezoning of 725-747 SE Marine Drive, and the proposed uses of the space.

SVNH completed a community assessment in 2014 looking at the complex needs in the vast SE Vancouver neighbourhood, including Fraser and Marine. Through this process, we learned that there is a requirement for additional childcare, particularly for younger children, in the Fraser/Marine area. We also learned that while SVNH's primary location at Victoria/49<sup>th</sup> is a bustling hub, we are limited in the service we can provide to families living closer to the periphery of our catchment area. There is a gap in service for families living in the Fraser/Marine area. As such, we are in full support of the development of a neighbourhood annex space to ensure seniors, adults, youth, children and families are able to access programs close to where they live. This may include programs related to settlement, physical exercise, arts and crafts, literacy, food security, health, and more.

Moreover, we strongly support the colocation of the proposed facilities as this will reduce facilities and staffing costs for the future operator. Co-locating programs can lead to intergenerational programming, simultaneous programming for members of one household (ie. grandparents/grandchildren, parents/children, etc.), and other such benefits.

SVNH has been involved in various aspects of project planning to date, and is excited to be considered as the intended operator for these facilities.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require further information. I can be reached at s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

Warmly,  
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Zahra Esmail  
Executive Director  
South Vancouver Neighbourhood House

**Kazakoff, Laura**

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**From:** South Hill BIA  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 20, 2016 10:00 AM  
**To:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office; Public Hearing  
**Cc:** 'Blair Chisholm'  
**Subject:** RE: Serracan Properties proposal at 725 SE Marine Drive

Dear Mayor Robertson and Councillors,

With respect to the Serracan Properties proposal to rezone 725 SE Marine Drive (former Super 8 hotel) and create a new 368-unit housing development, the Board of the South Hill Business Association and I would like to add our support to this initiative. Revitalizing a tired area by bringing a mixed-use housing development to this section of South Vancouver will assist in the dire need for affordable housing in Vancouver while also adding new energy to the Fraser Street community.

We welcome the increased vitality that new families will bring to our neighbourhood and to the South Hill business area.

On behalf of the Board of the  
South Hill (Fraser Street) Business Association  
and myself,

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Executive Director  
South Hill BIA

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copy: Blair Chisholm, Brook Pooni Associates

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**From:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 20, 2016 10:26 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** FW: In support of 725 SE Marine Dr Project

**From:** Jessie Kaur s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 20, 2016 10:24 AM  
**To:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office  
**Subject:** In support of 725 SE Marine Dr Project

Dear Mayor and Council,

My name is Jessie Lehail and I live s.22(1) Personal and Confidential am in support of Serracan's rezoning proposal at 725 SE Marine Drive. I believe the provision of a more diverse range of housing options, new retail space, and new park space would be great additions to the neighbourhood.

Many thanks,

/jessie

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**Kazakoff, Laura**

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**From:** Roman Lisagor s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 20, 2016 3:08 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Rezoning hearings of Oct 20, 2016

To whom it may concern:

I am writing in support of today's rezoning hearings for the following projects:

- 512 West King Edward Avenue
- 305 West 41st Avenue
- 725-747 Southeast Marine Drive
- 1550 Alberni Street

Vancouver is in the middle of a housing crisis and needs additional supply. While the above projects are only a small fraction of what is needed, they are a step in the right direction. I hope you approve these projects.

Furthermore, I would like to state my general support for some additional residential density - not just along arterials or in limited designated areas, but in all residential areas. It is time to unlock the 80%+ of the residential single family land where even gentle density is currently illegal, to the rest of Vancouver's rising population.

Thanks,  
Roman Lisagor