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**From:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 20, 2016 4:58 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** FW: Rezoning Application - 1550 Alberni Street

**From:** Dean Malone s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 20, 2016 4:52 PM  
**To:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office  
**Subject:** Rezoning Application - 1550 Alberni Street

To Mayor and Council:

I am writing to you to express my encouragement for you to support the rezoning application at 1550 Alberni Street. This application, is an outstanding example of what the community had in mind under the revised rezoning policy for the West End and our new community plan.

Firstly, this unique and leading architectural design by Kengo Kuma is so welcome for our Vancouver skyline and streetscape. We have envisioned a city and a future for the West End that is not dominated by rectangular glass tubes, but rather our desire for inclusion of sculpted built form which is so much a part of Kengo Kuma's concept for this building. This particular design will respect our community's priorities of maximizing sunlight at street level and preserving views of the North Shore and Stanley Park.

This rezoning application clearly meets with the objectives under the Rezoning Policy for the West End in the Georgia Corridor. It also achieves several key components of the West End Community Plan:

- a. By providing increased housing density along the Georgia corridor.
- b. This building is a key component of our want to strengthen the urban frame (Georgia/Alberni & Burrard/Thurlow) and helps achieve our desire for contrast with our existing lower scale West End neighbourhoods.
- c. It is also well within the allowable height of 500 ft.

Of most importance to me is the \$32M in dedicated West End Community Amenity Contributions that will be realized from this rezoning which will have a significant impact on our ability to more quickly achieve much needed renewal and improvement to community facilities and amenities. I appreciate the staff recommendations for CAC's for the public realm, affordable housing, and heritage density but, most significantly the \$10.6M for our community centre, library, and aquatic centre which are in

urgent need of renewal. The renewal of these facilities will provide us with immeasurable opportunities to serve West Enders.

The vision for the corridors and the resulting CAC's from rezonings like this one are a critical component of what we agreed to in our community plan. It was expected in the plan and we are counting on it for the future of the West End. Rezonings like this one are exactly what we asked for and achieved in our plan.

Thank you for your consideration of this rezoning and I encourage you to approve this legacy project for the West End.

Regards,

Dean Malone

**Kazakoff, Laura**

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**From:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 20, 2016 5:30 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** FW: Note of support for 1550 Alberni proposal

**From:** Nitin Madhvani s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 20, 2016 5:10 PM  
**To:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office  
**Subject:** Note of support for 1550 Alberni proposal

Dear Mayor Gregor Robertson and Vancouver City Council,

I wish to register my support for this application as a Vancouver resident and renter at s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

This is a bold and daring architectural venture in a city that is largely known for its monotonous and narrow approach to building design. As Vancouver continues to achieve a 'world-class' city status, it's buildings like this that will ensure that we have a place on the global stage, amongst other initiatives like bike lanes, green space and public gathering squares/spaces.

The architect, Mr. Kuma, has created a design with an aesthetic that is true to form while embodying natural elements that complement Vancouver's geography. He is truly a forward-thinking designer that will make a positive contribution to our growing skyline. I am sure this building, if approved, will attract local residents and visitors alike to explore it's awe-inspiring spaces.

As past board member and chair of a local West End housing non-profit organization, I am encouraged to see the allocation of cash contributions from the developer invested back into our West End community. In particular, funding for additional affordable housing and community facilities will be essential to maintain a vibrant and diverse mix of residents.

I humbly ask that Council vote in favour of this development and rezoning, and continue to identify opportunities to further the affordability agenda, especially in the West End.

Sincerely,

Nitin Madhvani

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