

Burke, Teresita

From: Stuart Smith s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Tuesday, May 22, 2018 2:50 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Support / 2109 East Hastings

Hi there, just want to express strong support for 2109 East Hastings rezoning at tonight's public hearing.

Some quick comments

- it's a shame that such a modest building requires a rezoning at all - these should be legal on every lot, in every neighborhood in the city, from Belmont to Boundary
- it's a shame that our land use policies requires the future residents of this building to endure the noise, pollution and danger from drivers on Hastings St. If it had been legal, I suspect the builder would have happily purchased single famiy homes a few blocks south and put the project there instead. But it's not legal, so here we are.
- I'm pleased to see that less parking was provided - bundled parking in rental or ownership buildings is a strong subsidy to driving at the expense of housing, and will make it challenging to meet our Transportation 2040 goals
- Given the level of crisis we are in with purpose built rental stock, this building could easily have been a few storey's higher for not much extra construction externalities. If we are to put up with construction noise and dust, better to get 8 or 10 storeys out of the deal than 6
- I saw the original pre-application design of this building and it was much more attractive, much more space and energy efficient, and had 2 more homes. It's my understanding that the changes from that to the current proposal, were driven by staff requests. It's deeply concerning that staff are urging builders to provide fewer homes rather than more.

With those comments in mind, I urge you to approve this rezoning. I look forward to working with this and future councils on comprehensive land reform to address the inequities created by our single family zoning over most of our city.

Sincerely,

Stuart Smith

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From: Abundant Housing [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 22, 2018 2:58 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: In support of 2109 East Hastings

The following message was sent through the Abundant Housing Vancouver website (<http://www.abundanthousingvancouver.com/>) on behalf of Rachel Selinger [REDACTED]

Dear Mayor and Council:

I am writing in support of 2109 East Hastings.

I support this project for the following reasons:

- I want my friends and family to be able to continue to live in Hastings-Sunrise, and they won't be able to do that if there aren't enough homes
- Central, walkable neighbourhoods like this, on sites that do not displace any current tenants are the best places to build more homes
- If we want people to use public transit, we need to let them live near it
- The rental vacancy rate is below 1% and we desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver

I would also like to see the following if possible:

- I would like the project to have more family-sized units
- Building homes like this shouldn't require an entire rezoning

Thank you,
Rachel Selinger

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From: Abundant Housing <"s.22(1) Personal and Confidential">
Sent: Tuesday, May 22, 2018 3:31 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Please approve 2109 East Hastings

The following message was sent through the Abundant Housing Vancouver website (<http://www.abundanthousingvancouver.com/>) on behalf of Daniel Varga "s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"

Mayor Gregor Robertson and Vancouver Council Members,

I would like to register my support for 2109 East Hastings. I would love to live in Hastings-Sunrise someday.

This development is good for Vancouver because of the following reasons:

- I would like to move to Hastings-Sunrise someday, and that will be easier if there are more homes there
- This project will make Hastings-Sunrise a more vibrant, exciting neighbourhood
- Central, walkable neighbourhoods like this are the best places to build more homes
- If we want people to use public transit, we need to let them live near it
- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver

Of course in an ideal world, things would be a little different:

- I'm disappointed that the project doesn't have even more units
- The project could have more family-friendly units
- Building homes like this shouldn't require an entire rezoning

Sincerely,
Daniel Varga

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From: Abundant Housing s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Tuesday, May 22, 2018 4:01 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: RE: 2109 East Hastings

The following message was sent through the Abundant Housing Vancouver website (<http://www.abundanthousingvancouver.com/>) on behalf of Albert Huang s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

To whom it may concern:

This email is about 2109 East Hastings, which I support. This project is in a great location and I'd love to live there someday. I work in Hastings-Sunrise. I grew up nearby, and still have ties to the area. I have friends and family who live nearby, and I want the best for them.

I urge you to approve 2109 East Hastings because of the following reasons:

- I would like to move to Hastings-Sunrise someday, and that will be easier if there are more homes there
- Projects like this will make it less likely that I am priced out of Hastings-Sunrise
- I want my friends and family to be able to live in Hastings-Sunrise, and they won't be able to do that if there aren't enough homes
- This project will make Hastings-Sunrise a more vibrant, exciting neighbourhood
- Central, walkable neighbourhoods like this are the best places to build more homes
- If we want people to use public transit, we need to let them live near it
- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver

Despite my overall support, I have some suggestions for improvement:

- I believe the neighbourhood, the city, and the region, would benefit if the project was allowed to include even more units.
- I would like the project to have more family-sized units
- Projects like this should not require a rezoning. You should rezone proactively so the next one doesn't!

Thank you,
Albert Huang