

Dragnea, Irina

From: Robyn Jacob "s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 2:16 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Regarding 750 Pacific / Plaza of Nations

Hello,

I am a local musician writing to express that the proposed Music Centre that is part of the rezoning application at 750 Pacific could potentially be a game changer for the music community in Vancouver.

The proposed 20,000 square foot facility would come at a time where space for watching, listening to, rehearsing, composing, and learning about music has never been more limited.

Accessible venues that are run sustainably (and that don't necessitate the musicians to sell liquor) are far and few between. There is very little diversity of venues, with property taxes being so high, many have a hard time staying open, and eventually close.

In order for Vancouver to become a "world class" city of any calibre, there is a lot of work to do in regards to live music venues and facilities.

This proposed development would be one small step in the right direction. I would like to commend VIM House (Vancouver Independent Music Centre) for all their hard work in regards to outreach as well as research.

Thank you,

Robyn Jacob
Composer, Singer, Pianist, Educator



Mayor and Council Feedback

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Request Details

1. Describe details (who, what, where, when, why):

To the Mayor and Council,

Re: Development and Building Policy Report
and Recommendations, RR-2(b)

The Vancouver Independent Music Centre Society board and community of supporters and stakeholders would like to thank City Council and staff for the inclusion of the proposed music presentation centre in the NEFC development of the Plaza of Nations.

We applaud and appreciate the diligence with which staff and Council are addressing the vision and values for this much needed centre for music – the provision of an acoustically superior 225 seat Main Hall (flexible up to 325) and a second informal venue supported by office/ administration space and additional front and back of house service space.

There are outstanding questions regarding

how the centre might be shared with the developer. The integrity of this space, dedicated to music performance, is central to the core purpose for the VIM House. We are reassured that the planning, design and development of the music centre will be conducted with utmost care and consideration to address the needs of Vancouver's large and diverse music community and concert goers.

Thank you again for supporting this important initiative as it moves forward.
Yours truly,

VIM House Board and Staff

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Additional Details

Map and Photo

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From: Sophie Perndl "s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"
Sent: Wednesday, June 27, 2018 9:18 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 750 Pacific Boulevard - Plaza of Nations

Dear mayor and council,

I'm writing regarding the rezoning application for 750 Pacific Boulevard. I'm a long time resident of the False Creek area, my husband and I recently moved from Marinaside Crescent to "s.22(1) Personal and Confidential" and we received the public hearing notification.

I am very much in support of this redevelopment. The casino and parking lot were not worthy of their waterfront location and I cannot wait for this project to be built. It will be a really important step to completing False Creek.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sophie Perndl
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From: E L <s.22(1) Personal and Confidential>
Sent: Monday, July 02, 2018 2:03 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Re: Public Hearing Notification - 750-772 Pacific Blvd (Northeast False Creek Sub-area 6B — Plaza of Nations)

I support the proposed development on the Plaza of Nations site.

On Tuesday, June 26, 2018, 5:04:24 p.m. PDT, Northeast False Creek Project Team <necf@vancouver.ca> wrote:

If you are having trouble viewing this email, [click here](#).

Hi Ed,

You are in receipt of this email as someone who has expressed interest in the Rezoning Application for **750-772 Pacific Blvd (Northeast False Creek Sub-area 6B — Plaza of Nations)**. Please find below information regarding the upcoming Public Hearing.

Public Hearing:

Tuesday, July 10, 2018, at 6 pm

City Hall, 453 West 12th Avenue

Third Floor, Council Chamber

750-772 Pacific Blvd (Northeast False Creek Sub-area 6B — Plaza of Nations)

Lot 155 False Creek Plan 21425 and District Lot 6352 Group 1 New Westminster District; PIDs 008-538-298 and 010-313-931 respectively

To amend the CD-1 (Comprehensive Development) (349) By-Law for 750-772 Pacific Boulevard (Northeast False Creek Sub-area 6B — Plaza of Nations) to develop the 10.28-acre site into a mixed-use

development based on the Northeast False Creek Plan, including: a variety of terracing buildings up to 30 storeys; commercial uses; residential uses; social housing; community and civic uses, including a community centre, ice rink, childcare facility, music presentation centre, public plazas, public rooftop terraces, and a seawall. A total floor area of 181,625 sq. m (1,955,000 sq. ft.) and a maximum building height of 89.9 m (294 ft.) are proposed.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THIS APPLICATION:

<http://rezoning.vancouver.ca/applications/750pacific/index.htm>

Anyone who considers themselves affected by the proposed by-law amendments may speak at the Public Hearing. Please register individually beginning at 8:30 on June 29 until 5 pm the day of the Public Hearing by emailing publichearing@vancouver.ca or by calling 604-829-4238. You may also register in person at the door between 5:30 and 6 pm on the day of the Public Hearing. You may submit your comments by email to publichearing@vancouver.ca, or by mail to: City of Vancouver, City Clerk's Office, 453 West 12th Avenue, 3rd Floor, Vancouver, BC, V5Y 1V4. All submitted comments will be distributed to Council and posted on the City's website. Please visit vancouver.ca/publichearings for important details.

Copies of the draft by-laws will be available for viewing starting June 29 at the City Clerk's Department in City Hall, 453 West 12th Avenue, 3rd Floor, Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. All meetings of Council are webcast live at vancouver.ca/councilvideo, and minutes of Public Hearings are available at vancouver.ca/councilmeetings. (Minutes are posted approximately two business days after a meeting.). For real time information on the progress of City Council meetings, visit vancouver.ca/speaker-wait-times or [@VanCityClerk](https://twitter.com/VanCityClerk) on Twitter.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON PUBLIC HEARINGS, INCLUDING
REGISTERING TO SPEAK:**
vancouver.ca/publichearings

The Northeast False Creek Planning Team

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From: p lee <[REDACTED] s.22(1) Personal and Confidential">
Sent: Tuesday, July 03, 2018 9:32 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Rezoning Application for 750 Pacific Boulevard - Sub-area 6B - Plaza of Nations

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing with regards to the proposed music centre as part of the re-development of the Plaza of Nations. I applaud this venture wholeheartedly.

Vancouver has such a vibrant community of musicians in so many genres but it has become more and more difficult over the last two decades to find affordable, accessible venues for performance and for rehearsal. Even our underground musician run collectives (not exactly affordable on musicians' wages) are facing eviction as developers see only dollar signs and the chance to make a quick buck. Thus, countless hours of our time are spent writing grants to allow us to afford to rent performance and/or rehearsal spaces. And all of these spaces are of course temporary and often unsuitable for music. ie: theatre or dance venues where acoustics are not a high priority.

It is time to recognize the importance of our local music community and to subsidize a centre truly for and about music so that we can do what we do best, create music!

With high hopes, sincerely,

Peggy Lee
2013 recipient of the Mayor's Arts Award for Music.

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From: swinks <[REDACTED] s.22(1) Personal and Confidential>
Sent: Wednesday, July 04, 2018 8:55 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 750 Pacific Boulevard

Hi,

I live in the CityGate area, and I'm writing about 750 Pacific Blvd. While I want my support noted of the development, it is contingent on the developer delivering the proposed community amenities. We definitely need more community amenities to maintain a quality of life that is being eroded as each new building in this neighbourhood comes on line.

I am NOT in favour of adding density without support for our growing community. Youth have been mostly overlooked in favour of the toddler crowd, whose playground is unfortunately a victim of its own popularity. Where do the tweens and teens go? To the mall? How sad. Certainly not to the afore mentioned playground, where overly protective parents act aggressively towards the bigger kids. My daughter is now 12, and when she goes out with her friends, it is not the mentally ill, drug addicted homeless neighbours I worry about, but the raging parents of the kindergarten set hogging the playgrounds. At least an ice rink might be more inclusive.

On another subject, losing the views of the mountains to towers 40+ stories high is absolutely unacceptable. **In no way** should the vision of past councils be blinded in favour of financial greed. The mountain backdrop belongs to Vancouver like jelly does to peanut butter. Both are more than the sum of their parts.

Thank you for reading,

Sonja Winks

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From: Jeremy Berkman - s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Wednesday, July 04, 2018 10:26 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Expressing support for Music Presentation Centre as part of rezoning application - meeting July 10th

To Whom this may concern,

I am extremely excited to be able to express my support for the part of this rezoning application that involves the creation of the Music Presentation Center amenity. I appreciate that the entire application encompasses a complexity of interactions, concessions, and aspirations - but i would like to speak to the inclusion of the Music Presentation Centre as a HUGE opportunity that might be disguised within this application as an "additional" amenity.

Vancouver has remarkably sustained an wonderful community of talented, resourceful, and frankly, frustrated musicians who have been grieving over the last twenty-twenty five years as historically important venues for musical creation, development, and performance have disappeared. There have been several important new venues developed, but the compromises for them either in terms of accessibility, cost, acoustics, or size have severely hindered the options available and ultimately our ability to nurture the talent we have and/or could attract. What this community has needed for so many years is a purpose built music centre, and those working so hard on the Vancouver Independent Music Centre have done an incredible job listening to the many diverse sectors within our musical community to find the places where common ground meets highest priority....and the current plans for a Music Centre that are to be included in this proposal reflect that exhaustive consultation.

I am a practicing musician in Vancouver who works across genres - performing with organizations as large as the Vancouver Symphony and Vancouver Opera (where i hold the position of Principal Trombone) to smaller ones such as Turning Point Ensemble (where I am a co-founder) and Hard Rubber Orchestra to individual collectives such our amazing resident cellist/composer Peggy Lee's octet, the Peggy Lee Band. While I know the Symphony and Opera would each be much more economically sustainable with theatres of 1500-1800 seats rather than nearly 2800, It is especially with the smaller organizations and individuals where venue options range from the too small to the too costly, with few to none having the acoustical excellence required. It is so exciting to imagine what our community of musicians could create, develop, and present in the type of venue being contemplated with this application. It is also important to consider the educational opportunities that will come with this venue, and as so much of our "future" creativity is based on the mentoring of "the next generation" of artists by our community's elders both artistically and more broadly inter-culturally, the collaborative opportunities of what will happen inside this music centre will have extremely large and positive legacies beyond its walls.

I greatly appreciate the complexity of the planning decisions required to properly address the concerns and opportunities raised with this application. But from the standpoint of a very active member of Vancouver's musical community for over 25 years, the prospect of bringing a proper music purposed centre to what used to be a very musically vital area of the Plaza of Nations (in the 1990s I performed there as part of the Dragon Boat and Jazz Festivals) is tremendously exciting to both my own musical imagination, and those of so many of

my colleagues who have been thinking about what would be possible should Vancouver ever have a "home" for music-making such as this.

Thank you for your careful consideration,

Jeremy Berkman
Trombonist/music educator/music administrator
Resident of Vancouver since 1989

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From: Edna Grenz <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 10:31 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 750 PACIFIC BLVD

Dear City Council

As a resident of The National I would like to express my support for the 750 Pacific Blvd proposed development, contingent on the developer delivering on the proposed amenities. The amenities are important for the ongoing thriving of the community.

Sincerely,

Edna Grenz

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From: Ralph Wettstein
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 10:34 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 750 Expo Boulevard Development Application

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Hello

I am writing in support of this development application provided that we get the much needed ice rink, community space, music area, and the 69 daycare facilities.

While I understand that there will be some opposition because some owners will loose some of their view of the mountains, that is what comes with the development of a major city.

We live on Quebec Street and the beautiful views that we now have of BC place will be lost to us because of the proposed ongoing development of this area.

At least with this development we also get some much needed community amenities.

Thank you,

Ralph Wettstein

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From: J. Grant Fletcher
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 10:45 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: PUBLIC HEARING for #750 Pacific Blvd

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to support the development at 750 Pacific Boulevard as it provides much needed community amenity and respects the city's view corridors.

Thankyou,
Grant

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From: Johnson, James [s.22(1) Personal and Confidential]
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 2:20 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 750 Pacific Blvd

Hi

I'm a 15 year resident of False Creek [s.22(1) Personal and Confidential] and I've never before written a letter about zoning.

I've just heard that there are plans to build a new ice rink in False Creek. This is a great idea as we are an active family. The more recreational space the better.

Jim

Prof. James D. Johnson, PhD

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From: Simon Wong
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 2:21 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 750 Pacific Blvd

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As a Vancouver resident, I'm excited to hear there is potential for a full-size skating rink at the location of the current Plaza of Nations. To have a modern would be a fantastic amenity for the neighborhood, especially the growing contingent of urban families with young children.

Simon Wong

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From: Ashley Sutherland s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 2:22 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Rink planned for 750 Pacific Blvd

Hi there!

I am a proud father of 2 daughters, 10 and 8, that play hockey and I am thrilled with this recent announcement. I definitely feel there is a shortage of rinks accessible to people in the metro Vancouver area.

If you need any help or support, please let me know.

Regards,

Ashley Sutherland

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From: Steve Bocska <[REDACTED] s.22(1) Personal and Confidential">
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 2:50 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Spam: 750 Pacific Blvd

I'm writing this letter in enthusiastic support of this proposed community amenity ice rink. As a nearby neighbour of this property, this is exactly the kind of facility we need downtown.

Steve Bocska
[REDACTED] s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"

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From: Ewan French
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 2:59 PM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: president@vfiha.com
Subject: 750 Pacific Blvd

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Hello,

I have been an avid hockey player, coach and fan since my early days in Montreal where we had rinks in every neighbourhood. I have raised two children here in Vancouver and have seen firsthand the need for more rinks in Vancouver proper.

When my son went to Medicine Hat for a bantam tournament a few years back I was surprised to learn they had the same number of indoor rinks as Vancouver!

Please vote to add a rink at Plaza of Nations.

Thank you,
Ewan

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From: Brian Mauch
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 3:21 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 750 Pacific Blvd

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To whom it may concern:

I support the construction of a new ice rink at the Plaza of Nations site.

I play hockey with two groups (at Britannia and UBC). The cost of icetime is high, and due to the shortage of available ice, we have to play very early in the morning and/or late in the evening.

More rinks would increase the options available to skaters, and there appears to be plenty of demand.

Brian Mauch

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From: Joseph Lee <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 4:55 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 750 Pacific Blvd'

I'm writing in support of a new rink at The Plaza of Nations center. I'm a parent of minor hockey players in Vancouver Minor Hockey and we currently have much of our ice time at 8 Rinks in Burnaby due to lack of ice times in east van.

Please consider the building of a new ice rink at the plaza of nations site.

Regards,
joseph Lee