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**From:** s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Monday, July 02, 2018 11:20 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Rezoning Application for 2133 Nanton Avenue (Arbutus Centre)

I support the additional density as requested by the applicant.  
Thank you

Suzanne Anton QC

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# *Arbutus Shaughnessy Kerrisdale Friendship Society*

July 10, 2018

To The Council of the City of Vancouver,

Re: Re-zoning Application for the Arbutus Centre Development (2133 Nanton Ave.)

The Arbutus Shaughnessy Kerrisdale (A.S.K.) Friendship Society is a registered charity that provides Adult Day Program Services in Vancouver B.C. We currently provide services to the neighbourhoods of Arbutus, Shaughnessy, Kerrisdale, Marpole and Oakridge. Adult Day Programs provide services to seniors in the community that require more support due to physical or mental health challenges in an effort to reduce social isolation and caregiver stress. Adult Day Programs offer a safe space with therapeutic activities, socialization, healthy home-style lunches, transportation management and health monitoring. Programs such as A.S.K. allow seniors to live longer in the community in their own home. When our members are engaged at the program, the family caregivers benefit from five hours each day of much needed respite, helping to reduce caregiver stress.

In 2012, A.S.K. was named by Vancouver City Council as one of the community groups to occupy the community space in the Arbutus Centre. We are very grateful that the City of Vancouver named A.S.K. to provide senior services in this location. Since then, we have been eagerly waiting to occupy this space in order to serve the seniors and families in these communities. There is a growing need for senior services in our communities and with this space will be able to help fill this important need for seniors and their families.

A.S.K. has been in communication with the City of Vancouver and Larco to hear updates on the project and to provide information on our unique needs as it relates to the development. We are thankful that the City of Vancouver is providing A.S.K. with community amenity space to run our program in block C. If more square footage is allocated to the A.S.K. Friendship Society through this new proposal we would welcome the additional space with gratitude. Senior services are an important and increasing need for our communities. With a larger space, A.S.K. would be able to accommodate more seniors and their families in our program now and in the future.

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Executive Director  
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**From:** Allen Smith s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 12, 2018 10:23 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** 2133 Nanton Avenue and 4189 Yew Street (Arbutus Centre) July 18, 2018

Greetings,

The Association of Neighbourhood Houses has operated in Vancouver since 1894. Currently we service the Westside through the Kitsilano Neighbourhood House and is involved in Community Development, Family Services, Seniors support, Seniors Housing, Housing for those with disabilities, Children's Programs including Daycare, drop-ins, out of school care and related services. We provide many other community based services as well.

The proposed Arbutus Centre includes an expanded Neighbourhood House to be based in the building to provide similar services to the community. We see this as necessary to better support and grow the larger Arbutus area of the West Side. It will be a good base to extend services for those moving in to the accommodation and in the area generally.

One of the biggest challenges we see in our work is the lack of affordable accommodation, and a lack of housing units in general. We see this project as a great opportunity to help address both the lack of accommodation and the need to improve services in this area.

Due to this hearing being at the same time as our Annual General Meeting we are unable to be there in person and ask that you accept our support for this venture via this communique.



Regards,

Allen

**Allen Smith | Executive Director**

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  Neighbourhood House

  *The hub of Vancouver's Westside since 1894*

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