## **Swanston, Denise**

From:

S.22(1) Personal and Confident

Sent:

Tuesday, February 12, 2019 2:54 PM

To:

Public Hearing

Subject:

RE: Rezoning Application 1906-1918 W 4th Avenue

To the Vancouver City Council

My name is Corvin Mack and I am a resident of s.22(1) Personal and Confidential I have been living here for over 15 years and have grown up and been raised in this neighborhood. This area has been a wonderful place for me to grow up and afforded me opportunities that I mostly likely would not have been afforded if I lived elsewhere. My father has been living in this house for over 20 years and has raised me on his own along with my younger brother who is currently in the 5th grade. This house is the only affordable place in this entire neighbourhood and without it my brothers development, socially and education wise, will be severely affected by a move into a new area, most likely outside of the metro Vancouver area due to how unforgiving the housing market is. Not only that, but as a community, we've already had to make sacrifices in the area of our communal garden which was completely paved over for the construction of the bike path, and only brought back in fractions compared to what it once was. On top of that, This area is already quite packed with business and marketplace oriented infrastructure, that heavily populates this area. Any further construction would likely lead to over congestion in an area that is already quite busy. This not only affects me, but all families in the community who wish to live calm and peaceful lives within our community, as the commercial wave coming from 4th street is now slowly starting to supersede. Without this home, my family will not know what to do, and with the implementation of this building, our community will continue to feel more and more constrained, and eventually render null the lifestyle of the Kitsilano area, which beautifully meshes both family oriented and commercial oriented communities, into another over saturated, unaffordable business sector that this city has already become so infamous for.

Please for the sake of the well being and happiness of families in this community, for the sake of my brother being able to grow up in a neighbourhood of schools that can adequately tend to his education, and in a place where he has developed friends and his social life, do not let this project get approved.

Sincerely, a concerned citizen Corvin Mack