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From: Sandra Nixon <s.22(1) Personal and Confidential>
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 3:29 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 1st & Clark Housing Project

Hello,

I'm writing to voice my support for the application to rezone the properties at 1636 Clarke Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue from I-2 (Industrial) and RM-4N (Multiple Dwelling) to CD-1 (Comprehensive Development).

As someone who has been engaged in outreach ministry for the past 10 years in the heart of East Vancouver, I have become aware of the increasingly acute need for supportive and affordable housing outside of the downtown east side.

The proposal for affordable, supportive and transition housing, combined with a state-of-the-art withdrawal management centre, and Indigenous healing and wellness space are all much needed resources for the City and for the Grandview-Woodland neighbourhood. The partnership between the City of Vancouver, BC Housing and Vancouver Coastal Health, has proposed a comprehensive and well-planned development that will deliver housing and support services for low-to-moderate income households and marginalized members of our community.

I strongly encourage Mayor and Council to continue to show leadership on increasing the availability of affordable and secure housing for Vancouver residents, and to approve the rezoning application as has been requested.

Yours Truly,

The Reverend Sandra Nixon
Trinity-Grace United Church

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Dear Mayor and City Councillors,

I support the rezoning of 1636 Clark Drive & 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue, and the proposed project including a withdrawal management centre and social housing.

If checked off, I support the urgent prioritization of social housing at welfare/pension rates for this project.

Name: Bunny Wilder

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[Redacted]

Other comments: Addicted people
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Vancouver City Hall
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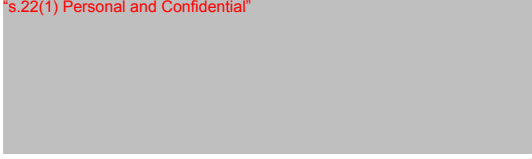
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Name:

DANIEL KRAUSE

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Other comments:

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Community Health Centre

Celebrating nearly 50 years of community health in community hands.

February 15, 2019

Mayor Stewart and Council,

Re: Public Hearing CD-1 Rezoning 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 E. 1st Avenue.

This letter is to express support from the REACH Board of Directors for the Withdrawal Management Centre proposed for Clark Drive and E 1st Ave, to replace the Detox Centre on E 2nd Ave.

REACH Community Health Centre, which will celebrate its 50th anniversary serving the residents of Grandview-Woodlands and East Vancouver this year, has a long history of providing care to vulnerable families and addressing social determinants of health.

In response to the opioid crisis, five of our physicians with methadone exemptions are offering Opioid Agonist Therapy (OAT) for patients who have been started on treatment at various stabilization sites, such as the Rapid Access Addiction Clinic (RAAC) at St. Paul's Hospital and other VCH sites in the downtown east side. While these sites provide treatment initiation and stabilization, REACH is committed to long-term maintenance treatment integrated with holistic bio-psychosocial primary care. We look forward to the additional support for the residents in our community, and we are especially hopeful for the opportunity to partner with the new facility to ensure all community members receive the best care possible.

Our community includes a large percentage of indigenous persons, and we are very pleased to see that the Withdrawal Management Centre aims to provide trauma-informed and culturally-appropriate services. It is nice to see that the commercial space proposed for the project will also focus on indigenous healing and wellness. This aligns with REACH's commitment to reconciliation, and we believe this is a good fit for our community.

In addition, many REACH patients live in poverty, have histories of trauma and health problems, and have significant challenges in accessing and navigating traditional avenues of health care. The inclusion of affordable rental housing, as well as transitional housing for those attending the Withdrawal Management Centre, is a critical part of this proposal and we are encouraged to see the provision of this much-needed housing.

REACH supports the proposed Withdrawal Management Centre, along with the proposed housing and commercial space. This will provide health care benefits and additional homes that are badly needed in our community. We encourage Council to support these goals by approving this proposal, and look forward to speaking to Council at the public hearing.

Respectfully yours,
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Jane Turner, REACH President
On Behalf of the REACH Board of Directors

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Vancouver, BC, Canada V5L 3X3

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The Kettle Society

Strength through mental health

February 14 2019

Dear Mayor and Council

The Kettle Friendship Society would like to register its support for the 1636 Clark Drive & 1321-1395 Project.

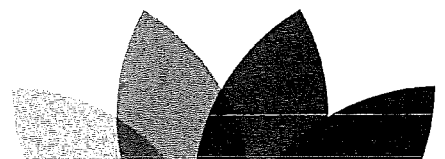
As a service provider in Grandview-Woodland for 42 years, we are cognizant of the many issues faced by people who feel marginalized. We feel the Clark & East First project is a positive step in helping to alleviate some of these issues.

- The lack of affordable housing for people who have mental health issues in the area is growing. Some of these individuals, who have lived in Grandview –Woodland for years, have become homeless due to a deficiency of safe suitable housing. Many have been forced to leave their community to find housing in other areas of the city, leaving the personal and professional supports they have utilized over the years for their wellbeing.
- For the many indigenous people we see at The Kettle the lack of treatment services that are culturally appropriate is a barrier for people who feel stigmatized by the current systems of treatment.
- The misuses of drugs and alcohol in Grandview-Woodland is an ongoing issue. These issues are in the community and people should not have to go to other communities to access these treatment services.
- Detox without transitional beds has been an ongoing issue in terms of people's relapse. Leaving detox straight for the street can be a recipe for failure. Support after detox utilizing withdrawal management is a key part of a person's recovery.
- The lack of safe accessible rental housing has also impacted people who work in Grandview-Woodland and have had to find housing in other areas.
- The Clark & East First project is an important step in helping address all the concerns we have related above.

While acknowledging that there are some concerns people in the neighbourhood have raised about this project, I remind City Council that opposition to these type of service's is not new.

April 2012 "A proposal by an East Side church to build supportive housing near East First Avenue and Victoria Drive is being opposed by nearby residents concerned with the size and nature of the project."
<https://www.vancourier.com/news/vancouver-church-housing-proposal-perturbs-residents-1.377629>.

You would currently find it difficult to find anyone who opposes this project since its opening in August 2018.



"When RainCity Housing was preparing to open its supported housing facility five years ago on Vancouver's Fraser Street, the society met immense opposition. Residents and business owners filled town-hall meetings to express their anger, voicing concerns that tenants with mental health or addiction issues would pose safety concerns and attract drug dealers to the neighbourhood." The project became so controversial that RainCity's executive director received a death threat.

"But after it opened, the cries were silenced. Tenants of the abstinence-based transitional facility integrated into the community, and some found employment nearby."

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/british-columbia/nimbyism-based-on-fear-of-the-unknown/article4590652/>

"Opposition to a planned 45,000-square-foot mental health centre at 2750 East Hastings St. was vociferous in 2007. But it appears the counselling and outreach facility hasn't had the corrosive effects on the community that were anticipated."

"Residents concerned about the impact the large Vancouver Coastal Health facility would have on their neighbourhood formed a group called Advocates for Hastings-Sunrise that collected hundreds of names on a petition and protested outside city hall. They questioned the wisdom of offering multiple services in one building instead of distributing them throughout the city."

"Patricia Barnes, executive director of the Hastings North Business Improvement Association, said she heard concerns from residents and business owners when the facility was planned, but the BIA supported the center's development. [We] have not had any concerns raised to us at all since they've moved in, she said."

<https://www.vancourier.com/community/vancouver-special/hastings-sunrise/hastings-sunrise-mental-health-centre-blending-into-area-1.576810>

We hope the Mayor and The City Counselors join us in welcoming this project into the neighbourhood.

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Nancy Keough
Executive Director

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Ken Paquette
Director, Community Services

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Damian Murphy, Manager Kettle on Burrard

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George Mander, Homeless Outreach Program

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From: Brian Clifford <[REDACTED] s.22(1) Personal and Confidential">
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 4:59 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Support for REZONING: 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

Hello,

I am a resident of Grandview Woodlands and would like to voice my support for the rezoning application for 1st and Clarke. Opposition letters posted on the City Clerk's site demonstrated a severe lack of social consciousness and empathy for the poor and marginalized. NIMBYism has prevented much-needed development of low income housing stock in the neighbourhood. For instance, one individual stated "Please DO NOT allow this building to be built. We already have too many junkies and thief's [sic] in the area". By voting against this proposal, you are siding with these sorts of attitudes and it will be on public record.

Pervasive NIMBY attitudes of this sort should not block the construction of much needed supportive, social, and affordable housing that the city desperately needs. Many of the people who will speak against this development will cite that it is not in line with the Grandview Woodlands Community Plan. Listening to this small but vocal minority (comprised largely of older, rich, white homeowners) is not an effective strategy for trying to meet real needs of low- and moderate-income earners and other marginalized people in the neighbourhood. I would remind council members that Principle 3 of the Grandview Woodlands Community Plan is to "support a range of affordable housing options to meet the diverse needs of the community" including housing that would "increase options and enhance stability for the vulnerable populations" including "those with mental illness and addictions". Let us commit to meeting first principles that are contained within the Plan, rather scuttling the project because it does not meet a narrow, technocratic land use decision that most people aren't even aware of.

Sincerely,
Brian Clifford

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From: Anne McDonald <^{s.22(1) Personal and Confidential}>
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 6:09 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: support for new detox centre AND for affordable neighbourhood housing

I have emailed stating that as a nearby resident I support the development of a new detox centre on First Ave in the Grandview Woodlands area. Please note that I also support affordable options for any displaced current tenants and want to state that social housing costs have to be realistic. I support the following:

- 1) allow all tenants to return to the new complex at the same rent
- 2) offer the more longterm/vulnerable tenants temporary affordable relocation while the new complex is built
- 3) work to increase the affordability of the housing complex and change the City of Vancouver's definition of social housing from "at least 30% at HILs rate and the rest at market" to something sensible that's not tied to inflated market rates.

Thank you,

Anne McDonald,

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From: Marion Town s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 6:46 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Support for proposal at 1636 Clark

- Hi there

I want to lend my voice of support for the VCH detox centre at Clark and 1st (1636 Clark Drive & East 1st Avenue

I've lived in this neighbourhood for over 20 years and believe that the city must provide a host of social services to protect the vulnerable. Please include all that you can in my 'hood as we are all one and need facilities to care for all.

Marion Town

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Sent from my iPhone

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From: Mary Al Lay s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 7:26 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: public housing, First and Clark

To whom it may concern:

The purpose of this email is to express my unqualified support for the proposed housing project at First and Clark Avenues.

I am involved at Trinity Grace United Church, 16th Avenue and Prince Albert St. We have a community breakfast each Tuesday for the neighbourhood. Our guests are finding it harder and harder to find places to live, as they are squeezed out of their current housing by development and gentrification.

The other aspects of the project, e.g. addiction services and transitional housing, are badly needed as well.

Mary-Al Lay

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From: julie macleod s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 8:10 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: I support the 1st and Clark Rezoning Proposal

I've been a member of the Grandview-Woodlands community for 15 years and absolutely support the rezoning proposal for Clark and 1st. As a social worker for VCH it has been my priority to increase the health and wellness of my community both professionally and personally.

We, the city of Vancouver, are in dire need of the services this proposal is intended to offer.

Please allow this project to move forward and help heal the legacy of trauma that has lead to poverty and addictions.

Regards,
Julie MacLeod

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Matt Holland s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 8:45 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Re: Please approve 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

Dear Mayor and Council, please consider approving this rezoning application. I am re-sending below the message I sent prior to the previous hearing on this project, when the previous council was in session. Nothing has changed to make me change my mind, I hope that you will agree.

Thanks,
Matt Holland

On Fri, May 25, 2018 at 1:22 PM Matt Holland s.22(1) Personal and Confidential wrote:
To whom it may concern:

I am writing to offer my strong support for the project at 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. The city is currently in the grips of both a housing affordability crisis and an opiate addiction epidemic, therefore I believe it would be unconscionable to oppose a project that would increase access to both affordable rental housing and support for those suffering with addiction.

Regards,
Matt Holland

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From: Danielle Chuang s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 9:03 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Rezoning of Clark and 1st

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing in support of the Rezoning of Clark and 1st (1636 Clark Drive & 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue), coming to public hearing on Wednesday, February 20.

I live in East Vancouver, not far from the proposed project site. As a registered nurse on the urban health unit at St. Paul's hospital, I work closely with patients who are actively using drugs and/or have a diagnosis of HIV/AIDS. I see firsthand the effects of poverty and trauma intersecting with addictions, and the lack of resources available for the most marginalized. With the majority of drugs being contaminated with fentanyl and carfentanil, it is a daily struggle to keep our patients alive, let alone to provide adequate treatment and care (in the present, and once the patient is discharged and in need of community supports). The proposed project at 1st and Clark, while not the only or ultimate solution to the overdose crisis, is an important step in the right direction, and a crucial additional resource.

While it does not detract from my support, I strongly urge you to consider deepened affordability to ensure that the social housing component of the project prioritizes the needs of low-income people. All housing units should be subsidized and provided at welfare, pension, and shelter rates.

I urge you to approve this proposal and make detox services and social housing available to those who need it the most.

Sincerely,

Danielle Chuang, RN Providence Health Care

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From: Christopher Porter s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 9:24 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: In support of the development at 1st Avenue and Clark Drive

Dear council,

I would like to voice my support for the development application at 1st and Clark. I would come out to speak in favour myself at city hall, but I have a 2 year old and she's been fighting a stomach bug for the past 24 hours. So this letter is the best I can do.

I just wanted to say this is the type of project Vancouver needs more of. It creates purpose built rental, it tackles affordability, and offers treatment options for those dealing with opioid addictions. If a project like this can't get approved in Vancouver, I seriously question the city's desire to tackle any of the pressing issues facing it right now.

I'm a renter. I live in a mixed use building with some subsidized suites and some market ones (one of the city owned buildings in the Olympic Village). Our building is a mix of families, singles, retired people, single mothers, and people with disabilities. That diversity is a real strength and leads to many positive relationships - one of the oldest residents in our building has become an adopted grandmother to our daughter and often makes us cookies; I have a disabled and wheelchair bound neighbour who knows she can count on me if she ever needs help in the evenings when she doesn't have nursing support. I really can't say enough positive things about our mixed use building.

There are also several fully-supported social housing within a few blocks of our building. And despite the odd encounter with discarded needles in our neighbourhood, I'm still fully supportive of projects like this. In fact, I'm hopeful that more treatment centres in Vancouver will help to reduce opioid addictions and reduce the needles being discarded in our local parks.

My only feedback on this specific project is it should be bigger and projects like this should be built in more neighbourhoods. We need to get serious about helping the most vulnerable in our society.

Thank you and I hope you support this project.

Christopher Porter

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From: Michelle Babiuk "s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 9:56 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Rezoning Application - 1636 Clark Drive & 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

I'm writing in support of the rezoning of 1636 Clark Drive & 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue to allow construction of social housing and an addiction treatment centre.

I'm writing as a neighbour to Vancouver Coastal Health's detox centre at 2nd at Brunswick. For the past eight years, I've lived two blocks away from this centre and passed it at least twice a day on my way to work. I also walk past it frequently to other destinations at different times of the day and night. Over all of this time, the centre has been a great neighbour - I never would've even known the use of the building if it wasn't for their sign. They also maintain an attractive garden and seating area that's accessible to the public and has always been extremely well maintained and quiet. I would like it if the detox centre was staying in my neighbourhood but since they are planning to move, I would recommend them highly to other communities. I would also welcome it if their site at 377 2nd Avenue was converted to a similar use (ex. detox centre or social housing) as long as the future management was as committed to such high quality maintenance and management. These types of services are needed in many places in the city to accommodate the many people in our city with various needs for housing and other support.

The only recommendation I have is that the City consider the potential for better east-west bike routes (ie. parallel to 1st Ave) and pedestrian connections parallel to Clark and 1st. As this location is not as convenient as the currently detox location on 2nd Ave, this would be important for ensuring that residents and employees can safely access the facility and nearby shopping areas, community centres and other services.

Regards,

Michelle Babiuk
"s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"



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From: Mandy <[REDACTED] s.22(1) Personal and Confidential">
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 10:09 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Clark & 1st

Dear Mayor and Council,

Please accept this letter in support for the proposed redevelopment at Clark and 1st. I live in the neighbourhood and believe projects like these are vital for Vancouvers future.

This development is important to battle the housing and opioid crisis'.

Thank you,

Mandy Potter
[REDACTED] s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"

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From: Tavis MacCallum <^{s.22(1) Personal and Confidential}>
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 10:19 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue Comments

Hi,

I wanted to write in to say that I support the project at 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue.

The city needs more social housing and I think this project will benefit our community.

I went to the open house and know that some people were concerned about the detox centre having a negative impact on their neighbourhood. I've lived a block or so away from the current detox centre for 10 years and I can say as a long time member of my strata council that my building has never had any negative impacts that we could connect with its presence. I'm sure this new detox centre will similarly have no negative impacts on the Grandview Woodlands community.

Tavis

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From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 10:25 PM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Nico Lombardi
Subject: Comments regarding 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

To the relevant persons at the City of Vancouver,

I would like to register my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I live in Grandview-Woodland and will be affected by this project. I work in the neighbourhood.

This development is good for Vancouver for these reasons:

- This project will make Grandview-Woodland 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 need more social housing in Vancouver
- Given the city's opioid crisis we need more development like this, not less.

I have some suggestions for improvement that do not detract from my overall support:

- I believe the neighbourhood, the city, and the region, would benefit if the project was allowed to include even more units.

Sincerely yours,

Nico Lombardi

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From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 10:25 PM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Stefan Slot
Subject: Regarding 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

To whom it may concern at the City of Vancouver,

I would like to register my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I'd like to live in this area in the future but am having trouble finding a home here,

I urge you to approve 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue for a number of reasons including the following:

- I would like to move to Grandview-Woodland someday, and that will be easier if there are more homes there
- This project will make Grandview-Woodland a more vibrant, exciting neighbourhood
- If we want people to use public transit, we need to let them live near it
- We need much more social housing, and this is a start

I would also like to see the following if possible:

- I believe the neighbourhood, the city, and the region, would benefit if the project was allowed to include even more units.
- Building homes near homes shouldn't require a decision from council.

Sincerely,
Stefan Slot

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From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 10:25 PM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Airesse MacPhee
Subject: In support of 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

The following message was sent through the Abundant Housing Vancouver website
(<http://www.abundanthousingvancouver.com/>) on behalf of Airesse MacPhee <

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Hi,

I would like to register my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I'd like to live in this area in the future but am having trouble finding a home here,

I'm looking forward to 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue for the reasons listed below:

- I would like to move to Grandview-Woodland someday, and that will be easier if there are more homes there
- If there are more homes like this, it's less likely that I will be priced out of the area
- I want my friends and family to be able to live in Grandview-Woodland, and they won't be able to do that if there aren't enough homes
- This project will make Grandview-Woodland 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
- Below-market homes are greatly needed in this city
- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver

There are some things that could be improved:

- I'm disappointed that the project doesn't have even more units
 - The project could have more family-friendly units
- It's hard to believe a project like this required a long, uncertain rezoning. We're in a crisis, please act like it!

In short, council should approve this project.

Regards,

Airesse MacPhee

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From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 10:25 PM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Jerome Deis
Subject: Public comment for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

Hi,

This is just a short note to express my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I am concerned that a few vocal people will try to have this project stopped - when the 100 people that need this project are not heard / because they are probably working two jobs - this project should be allowed and increased in size if possible.

This project is worth your support because:

- I want my friends and family to be able to live in Grandview-Woodland, and they won't be able to do that if there aren't enough homes
- 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
- Below-market homes are greatly needed in this city
- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver

I have some suggestions for improvement that do not detract from my overall support:

- I'm disappointed that the project doesn't have even more units
- The project could have more family-friendly units
- The land should already be zoned to allow homes like this, no rezoning required

In conclusion, 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue is a worthy proposal and I urge you to approve it.

Thank you for your time,
Jerome Deis

[REDACTED]

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From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 10:25 PM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Cameron White
Subject: More Neighbours Please! I am in favour of 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

To the relevant persons at the City of Vancouver,

I am writing to express my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I work in the neighbourhood.

I'm enthusiastic about 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue for the reasons listed below:

- We need much more social housing, and this is a start
- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver
- I want more social services for people with addictions

1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue deserves to be approved, but some things could be improved:

- 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
- Building homes near homes shouldn't require a decision from council.

Sincerely,
Cameron White

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From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 10:25 PM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Saj karsan
Subject: Regarding 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

Hello,

I am writing to express my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I would love to live in Grandview-Woodland someday. I'm a resident of Grandview-Woodland. The project is near my work in Grandview-Woodland. I have friends and family in the neighbourhood.

I urge you to approve 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue for the following reasons:

- I would like to move to Grandview-Woodland someday, and that will be easier if there are more homes there
- It will help keep local housing prices down
- I want my friends and family to be able to live in Grandview-Woodland, and they won't be able to do that if there aren't enough homes
- This project will make Grandview-Woodland 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

I do have some ideas 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
- It's hard to believe a project like this required a long, uncertain rezoning. We're in a crisis, please act like it!

In short, council should approve this project.

Respectfully yours,
Saj karsan

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From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 10:25 PM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Neil MacEachern
Subject: More Neighbours Please! I am in favour of 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

To the relevant persons at the City of Vancouver,

This is just a short note to express my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I'm a resident of Grandview-Woodland.

This project is worth your support for a number of reasons including the following:

- Below-market homes are greatly needed in this city
- People with addiction problems need a central location for care and services.

Best,

Neil MacEachern

<s.22(1) Personal and Confidential>

Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 10:25 PM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Graham Anderson
Subject: Support for housing proposal at 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

The following message was sent through the Abundant Housing Vancouver website
(<http://www.abundanthousingvancouver.com/>) on behalf of Graham Anderson

"s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"

To whom it may concern at the City of Vancouver,

This is just a short note to express my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I participate in community organizations in the neighbourhood.

I'm enthusiastic about 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue because:

- Below-market homes are greatly needed in this city

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

- I'm disappointed that the project doesn't have even more units
- It's hard to believe a project like this required a long, uncertain rezoning. We're in a crisis, please act like it!

Thank you,
Graham Anderson

Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 10:26 PM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Reynald Hoskinson
Subject: Please approve 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue!

The following message was sent through the Abundant Housing Vancouver website (<http://www.abundanthousingvancouver.com/>) on behalf of Reynald Hoskinson

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To whom it may concern at the City of Vancouver,

This is just a short note to express my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I live near Grandview-Woodland and will be affected by this project. I live in the downtown eastside and have experience first hand what centralized services can do to help people who are struggling. This project will really help a lot of people whom are normally overlooked. It's not very tall and would be an improvement for so many people who could live there, their extended families, and by extension the entire city.

This development is good for Vancouver for a number of reasons including the following:

- This project will make Grandview-Woodland 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

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

- I believe the neighbourhood, the city, and the region, would benefit if the project was allowed to include even more units.
- It's disappointing that a project like this requires a rezoning

Thank you for your time,

Reynald Hoskinson

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Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 10:26 PM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Matthew Shields
Subject: In support of 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

Hello,

This is just a short note to express my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I work in the neighbourhood and will be affected by this project.

I recommend that you approve the project because of the following reasons:

- I want my friends and family to be able to live in Grandview-Woodland, and they won't be able to do that if there aren't enough homes
- 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
- Below-market homes are greatly needed in this city
- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver

1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue deserves to be approved, but some things could be improved:

- 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

In conclusion, 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue is a worthy proposal and I urge you to approve it.

Thank you for your time,
Matthew Shields

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Burke, Teresita

From: parke clumpus - s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 10:31 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 1636 Clark drive and 1321-1395 east 1st avenue rezoning application

Dear Mayor Steward and Council,

Please accept this letter in support for the proposed redevelopment at Clark and 1st. I have lived in the neighbourhood for years have see it grow in so many positive ways but also struggle due to the lack of affordable rental housing and drug use.

This project will allow for the not only the desperately needed low income rentals but also for important services that our city needs more of.

Thank you,

Stacy Clumpus

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Burke, Teresita

From: Greta Wikkerink <[REDACTED] s.22(1) Personal and Confidential">
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 10:51 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 1st and Clark Rezoning Proposal

Dear Mayor & Council,

I am a resident of Grandview-Woodlands and have lived here for 16+ years. I support the 1st and Clark Rezoning Proposal (Rezoning Application - 1636 Clark Drive & 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue) to develop a social housing and detox facility at 1st and Clark. Recognizing the housing crisis our city faces, the opportunity to say 'yes in my backyard' is clear and needed.

While it does not detract from my support, I would like to call for the below criteria going forward:

Deepened affordability: It's important that the social housing component of the project prioritizes the needs of low-income people. All housing units should be subsidized and provided at welfare, pension, and shelter rates. In the midst of an astronomical housing crisis that takes the hardest toll on the most marginalized, any and all housing built should centre the needs of those who have the least.

Expanded services: It's important that this project and/or additional projects provide a substantial increase in detox services, including detox beds. More detox services are needed to respond to the urgency of the ongoing overdose crisis in our city, and the lives lost (especially those whose lives intersect with poverty, trauma and homelessness).

I care strongly about my neighbours - including those who are homeless and those who use drugs - and desire a thriving and welcoming community that includes them without judgement, providing avenues for their support and healing.

I strongly urge you approve the rezoning.

Sincerely,
Greta Wikkerink

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

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Greta

Burke, Teresita

From: Anne Yam "s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 11:08 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Clark +1st Avenue Rezoning Proposal

Dear Mayor and Council,

Clark + 1st Avenue Rezoning Proposal

I was approached by Mr. Dan Watson, Planner of Brook Pooni Associates Inc. for my opinion about the proposed withdrawal centre located at Clark Drive and 1st Avenue, Vancouver.

I have been acting principal of St. Francis Xavier School, at 428 Great Northern Way, Vancouver, since September, 2018. I am aware of the present Detox Centre a few blocks away from my school, but I have had no concerns all this time. Mr. Fader, the principal who is on leave, has been principal at this school for nine years and he too has had no concern about the Detox Centre.

Given my positive experience with the current facility I support the new one at 1636 Clark Drive.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Best Regards,

Anne Yam
Acting Principal, St. Francis Xavier School

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Burke, Teresita

From: Alexander Wright s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 11:25 PM
To: Bligh, Rebecca; Boyle, Christine; Carr, Adriane; De Genova, Melissa; Dominato, Lisa; Fry, Pete; Hardwick, Colleen; Kirby-Yung, Sarah; Swanson, Jean; Wiebe, Michael; Stewart, Kennedy; Public Hearing
Subject: Email in Support of 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue Application

Dear Mayor & Council,

I am writing to support the application to add below market housing and an addiction treatment facility in a proposed development at Clark & East 1st Avenue. I am a Vancouver resident. Drug Addiction and Housing are two of the biggest issues in Vancouver, and I am happy to see that the partnership of BC Housing, The City of Vancouver, and Vancouver Coastal take direct action with this proposal.

The 90 below market rental units will add much needed rental and affordable housing. A higher density with more housing would be even better, but the proposal will have a positive impact. I really hope that the project become a victim of NIMBY-ism.

Best Regards,
Alexander Wright

Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 6:57 AM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Ming Yin
Subject: Public comment for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

To the relevant persons at the City of Vancouver,

I am writing to express my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. Grandview-Woodland is a nice place and I personally would like to live there. I live close to the proposed development site. I work in the neighbourhood. I have friends and family in the neighbourhood.

This development is good for Vancouver for the reasons listed below:

- I don't want to be priced out of Grandview-Woodland
- I want my friends and family to be able to live in Grandview-Woodland, and they won't be able to do that if there aren't enough homes
- This project will make Grandview-Woodland a more vibrant, exciting neighbourhood
- Central, walkable neighbourhoods like this are the best places to build more homes
- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver

I would also like to see the following if possible:

- I believe the neighbourhood, the city, and the region, would benefit if the project was allowed to include even more units.
- It's hard to believe a project like this required a long, uncertain rezoning. We're in a crisis, please act like it!

In short, council should approve this project.

Best regards,

Ming Yin

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Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 6:57 AM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Tannis M Sullivan
Subject: More Neighbours Please! I am in favour of 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

The following message was sent through the Abundant Housing Vancouver website (<http://www.abundanthousingvancouver.com/>) on behalf of Tannis M Sullivan

"s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"

Hello,

This email is about 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue, which I support. I would love to live in Grandview-Woodland someday. The project is close to my home in Grandview-Woodland.

I recommend that you approve the project for a number of reasons including the following:

- I would like to move to Grandview-Woodland someday, and that will be easier if there are more homes there
- I don't want to be priced out of Grandview-Woodland
- I want my friends and family to be able to live in Grandview-Woodland, and they won't be able to do that if there aren't enough homes
- This project will make Grandview-Woodland 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
- Below-market homes are greatly needed in this city
- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver

I do have some ideas for improvement:

- The project should accommodate low income, single-person households.

Best regards,

Tannis M Sullivan

"s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"

Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 10:25 PM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Albert Kim
Subject: RE: 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

To whom it may concern:

I am writing regarding my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I live close to the proposed development site.

I urge you to approve the project for the reasons listed below:

- Projects like this will make it less likely that I am priced out of Grandview-Woodland
- I want my friends and family to be able to live in Grandview-Woodland, and they won't be able to do that if there aren't enough homes
- This project will make Grandview-Woodland 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 need much more social housing, and this is a start
- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver

I would also like to see the following if possible:

- The land should already be zoned to allow homes like this, no rezoning required

Sincerely,
Albert Kim

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Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 10:25 PM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Elias
Subject: RE: 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

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To whom it may concern at the City of Vancouver,

This is just a short note to express my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I'd like to live in this area in the future but am having trouble finding a home here,

I recommend that you approve the project for a number of reasons including the following:

- I would like to move to Grandview-Woodland someday, and that will be easier if there are more homes there
- I want my friends and family to be able to live in Grandview-Woodland, and they won't be able to do that if there aren't enough homes
- This project will make Grandview-Woodland 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 need more social housing in Vancouver
- 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.
- Building homes like this shouldn't require an entire rezoning

Sincerely,

Elias

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Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2019 10:26 PM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Mary Gavan
Subject: RE: 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

To the relevant persons at the City of Vancouver,

I would like to register my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I would like to live in Grandview-Woodland someday, and I think that's more likely to happen if projects like this are permitted.

I recommend that you approve the project for a number of reasons including the following:

- I want my friends and family to be able to live in Grandview-Woodland, and they won't be able to do that if there aren't enough homes
- This project will make Grandview-Woodland 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 need much more social housing, and this is a start
- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver

I have some suggestions for improvement that do not detract from my overall support:

- I believe the neighbourhood, the city, and the region, would benefit if the project was allowed to include even more units.
- The project could have more family-friendly units

In short, council should approve this project.

Thank you,
Mary Gavan

Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 6:57 AM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Rhi Kirkland
Subject: RE: 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

To whom it may concern at the City of Vancouver,

This email is about 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue, which I support. Someday I'd like to live in the area. I used to live nearby

I support 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue for a number of reasons including the following:

- I would like to move to Grandview-Woodland someday, and that will be easier if there are more homes there
- It will help keep local housing prices down
- I want my friends and family to be able to live in Grandview-Woodland, and they won't be able to do that if there aren't enough homes
- This project will make Grandview-Woodland 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 need much more social housing, and this is a start
- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver
- We need addiction services in this city

I would also like to see the following if possible:

- Building homes near homes shouldn't require a decision from council.

Best regards,

Rhi Kirkland

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Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 7:53 AM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: denis agar
Subject: Comments regarding 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

To the relevant persons at the City of Vancouver,

I am writing regarding my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. Grandview-Woodland is a nice place and I personally would like to live there. I have friends and family who live nearby, and I want the best for them.

I urge you to approve the project for the reasons listed below:

- We need more social housing in Vancouver
- We can't delay this. . . the overdose epidemic is claiming lives daily.

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

- I believe the neighbourhood, the city, and the region, would benefit if the project was allowed to include even more units.
- Building homes near homes shouldn't require a decision from council.
- The bus stops on Clark will be critical to this project. As such, care should be taken to ensure they are to the highest standard, and pedestrian safety is paramount.

Thank you,
denis agar

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Burke, Teresita

From: Scott Neufeld s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 8:48 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Support for 1st & Clark Rezoning Proposal

Dear Mayor and Council,

My name is Scott Neufeld, I am a resident of the Grandview-Woodland neighborhood and I **support** the proposed rezoning of 1st and Clark (1636 Clark Drive).

I have lived in Grandview-Woodland for the past 5 years and love that this community is a vibrant, inclusive space where people from all walks of life are welcomed. This past spring, I was happy to hear about the proposal put forward jointly by the City, BC Housing, and VCH to construct a large withdrawal management centre and up to 100 units of social housing at the corner of 1st and Clark. In the midst of Vancouver's dual housing and overdose crises, these services are essential. They are more than welcome in our neighborhood.

I am aware there are others in my neighborhood who have expressed their concern over this project for various reasons. In my view, many of these reasons rest on a fear of the unknown and unfounded concerns that those who are vulnerable in society (i.e. people seeking treatment for substance use, people without housing) somehow make people with privilege (i.e. people with secure housing in Grandview-Woodland) more vulnerable. This is not true and there have been countless studies that have demonstrated that crime rates do not increase in the vicinity of supportive services for those who are on the margins of society already. If anything, providing more robust services to help people manage substance use under medical supervision, transition from problematic substance use to sobriety, or secure and maintain stable housing help to reduce crime rates in a neighborhood by offering help, rather than criminalization to those who struggle in our neighborhoods. I realize that the opponents of this project are very adamant that they (or most of them) are not "NIMBY"s, that they support social housing (but just not here in Grandview-Woodland...) and are very welcoming to people who use drugs or have low incomes. In my review of the materials and rationales provided by two opposed groups online (the websites community1st.ca and savegrandview.com), I don't find this to be the case. These groups consistently set up the 1st and Clark proposal as a threat to the safety of "their" community, construct themselves as the true residents of the community and seek to exclude those who might use the services provided at 1st and Clark from their conception of "us" (as if people who are seeking detox or in need of social housing don't already live in Grandview-Woodland in large numbers...), and suggest the project presents a "conflict" in use, implying that those seeking treatment for substance use in a locked health facility somehow present a safety risk to those living in social housing above.

In my view, these concerns are false and based on fear and prejudice. As a resident of the innovative Co:Here community on the corner of 1st and Victoria, I know from first hand experience what it means to share life intimately with people of varying economic backgrounds (including many on fixed incomes paying shelter rate for their housing), and have seen the joy of raising my family (I have two young boys) alongside new friends who have different relations to substances and different histories of homelessness or insecure housing. Furthermore, I have the privilege of spending each Thursday night as a writing workshop facilitator (with Megaphone Magazine) at the Onsite detox centre in the Downtown Eastside. I know from my more than two years spent with folks seeking detox services and utilizing the transitional housing at that site that people in detox are not a safety threat to anybody, but instead need the love and support of a community to spur them on to positive change in their lives. The last thing they need on their journey to recovery is the insinuation that they will endanger the lives and well-being of well-to-do neighbors with their mere presence in a neighborhood.

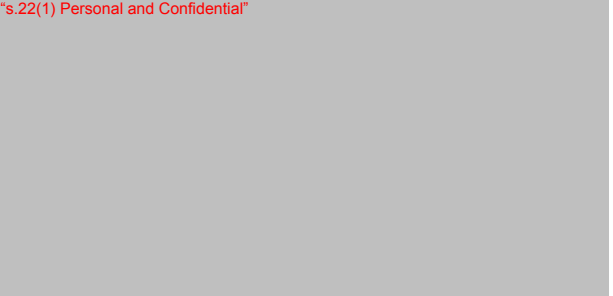
But I don't want to only focus on the detractors from this project. I wanted to let you know that there are also many residents who live near this project that see its significant merits and want to advocate in support of it. In August some friends and I organized an information session at my building (The Co:Here community on the corner of 1st and Victoria) where we heard from project proponents and expressed our interest in seeing this project move forward, with even more expanded services for those pursuing recovery from problematic substance use and deepened affordability in the social housing. On November 26, a neighborhood group I am a part of (Streams of Justice) organized and hosted a well-attended panel forum in support of the 1st and Clark project where we heard from local activists and two people with lived experience of addiction and homelessness who spoke to the incredible importance of services like those proposed in our neighborhood. We have continued our "YIMBY" campaign for this project (including the development of a website in support of the project at www.yimby1stclark.com) and have coordinated a contingent of supporters to speak in support of this project at the public hearing.

We sincerely hope you will vote in favor of this important project. Whatever shortcomings of the design or operation of the site you may discern can surely be overcome and should not detract from the immediate approval of this project and its swift development. Thanks for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Scott Neufeld (B.A., M.A.)

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Burke, Teresita

From: Leita Martin "s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 9:21 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Rezoning Application - 1636 Clark Drive & 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

I am writing to express my support for the proposed mixed-use development at Clark and 1st Avenue, consisting of the drug rehabilitation centre and social housing components.

I am a long-time resident of the Grandview-Woodland neighbourhood and live within 500 metres of the proposed development with my 4 year old. My family takes pride in our community and in the diverse people we encounter everyday. There are so many people out there, not just in our neighbourhood, but across the city and region, who are suffering, who have nowhere to turn. This type of facility is desperately needed in our city.

My family and I welcome this facility with open arms into our neighbourhood and we urge Mayor and Council to approve the proposal. We believe that the use, size, and form and character are in the spirit of the Grandview-Woodland Community Plan.

Warm regards,
Leita Martin

"s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"

Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 9:32 AM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Russil Wvong
Subject: More Neighbours Please! I am in favour of 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

I am writing to express my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. As someone who lives in Vancouver, I'm very concerned about the extreme shortage of rental housing, especially below-market/social housing.

I recommend that you approve the project for the following reasons:

- 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 dedicated rental housing in Vancouver, and below-market/social housing in particular.

In short, council should approve this project.

Best regards,
Russil Wvong

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Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 9:32 AM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Rita Buchwitz
Subject: Please approve 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

The following message was sent through the Abundant Housing Vancouver website
(<http://www.abundanthousingvancouver.com/>) on behalf of Rita Buchwitz.

"s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"

Hi,

I am writing to express my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I currently live nearby. I have friends and family in the neighbourhood. I am a homeowner in Grandview-Woodland.

I recommend that you approve the project for a number of reasons including the following:

- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver
- We need to be providing local services to people who are asking for help in dealing with their alcohol/drug addictions.

There are some things that could be improved:

- I believe the neighbourhood, the city, and the region, would benefit if the project was allowed to include even more units.

Sincerely,

Rita Buchwitz

"s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"

Burke, Teresita

From: Mike Jarrett <[REDACTED] s.22(1) Personal and Confidential >
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 9:21 AM
To: Public Hearing; Mayor and Council Correspondence
Subject: 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

Hello Mayor Stewart and Council,

I'm writing to support the proposal for social housing at 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. We all know by now that social housing is desperately needed in all areas of the city and this proposal has the potential to help thousands of people.

I want to especially encourage you not to reduce the size of the building. Aesthetically there is little or no difference between a 10 story building and an 8 story building (for example), while that floorspace could quite literally save peoples' lives. Please do not reduce the size of this project for the sake of a marginal change in aesthetics. We all should be fighting for more social housing, not less.

Thank you.

Mike Jarrett

Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 9:32 AM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Chris Karu
Subject: Public comment for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

Hello,

This is just a short note to express my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I would love to live in Grandview-Woodland someday. I have friends and family in the neighbourhood.

I urge you to approve the project for the following reasons:

- I want my friends and family to be able to live in Grandview-Woodland, and they won't be able to do that if there aren't enough homes
- This project will make Grandview-Woodland a more vibrant, exciting neighbourhood
- If we want people to use public transit, we need to let them live near it
- We need much more social housing, and this is a start
- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver

I do have some ideas for improvement:

- I'm disappointed that the project doesn't have even more units
- Building homes near homes shouldn't require a decision from council.

Sincerely,
Chris Karu

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Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 9:33 AM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Daniel Oleksiuk
Subject: RE: 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

To whom it may concern at the City of Vancouver,

I am writing to express my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue.

In this time of the dual opiate and housing crises, proponents need to know that projects like this can go ahead.

Is the project perfect? You might think that it is too small, without enough units, or that it should be on a quieter street like Grant, or that it provides too much CO2-inducing parking. Those are all very valid concerns. But please ask yourselves how much time you really want to spend on this. Ask yourselves what level of second-guessing of the proponent's work is appropriate here.

They have put years into this. Years of their best work on this well-considered project that will ameliorate the crises that you were elected to solve. Help them, by all means. Offer advice, counsel. For the next project, consider offering funding. And yes, apply your own judgment to the situation as our elected representatives.

But please, as part of that judgment, consider the signals that you send to future proponents of similar projects by taking too-exacting a scalpel to the project. Please do not delay this. Please do not even think too hard about it.

Approval of social housing and detox facilities in this time should be as routine as the approval of a new single-family dwelling in Kerrisdale or a new car being parked for free on city streets. Ideally, approval of this project would take up no more of your valuable time as a Councillor than any of that does.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide input.

Sincerely,
Daniel Oleksiuk

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Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 9:34 AM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Tyler Knoepfel
Subject: Comments regarding 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

To whom it may concern:

I am writing regarding my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I would love to live in Grandview-Woodland someday. I live in the West End and am frequently in the area.

1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue is a good project because of the following reasons:

- This project will make Grandview-Woodland 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 need much more social housing, and this is a start
- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver

Best regards,
Tyler Knoepfel

Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 9:34 AM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: George Mander
Subject: Public comment for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

The following message was sent through the Abundant Housing Vancouver website
(<http://www.abundanthousingvancouver.com/>) on behalf of George Mander

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To whom it may concern at the City of Vancouver,

I am writing regarding my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. Grandview-Woodland is a nice place and I personally would like to live there. I'm a resident of Grandview-Woodland. I work in Grandview-Woodland. I have friends and family in the neighbourhood.

This development is good for Vancouver because:

- I would like to move to Grandview-Woodland someday, and that will be easier if there are more homes there
- I want my friends and family to be able to live in Grandview-Woodland, and they won't be able to do that if there aren't enough homes
- 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
- Below-market homes are greatly needed in this city
- 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
- The land should already be zoned to allow homes like this, no rezoning required

Regards,
George Mander

Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 9:34 AM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Rory St Clair
Subject: Please approve 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

To whom it may concern:

This is just a short note to express my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I'd like to live in this area in the future but am having trouble finding a home here, I have friends and family who live nearby, and I want the best for them.

This project is worth your support because of the following reasons:

- If there are more homes like this, it's less likely that I will be priced out of the area
- I want my friends and family to be able to live in Grandview-Woodland, and they won't be able to do that if there aren't enough homes
- This project will make Grandview-Woodland a more vibrant, exciting neighbourhood
- We have a shortage of social housing in Vancouver
- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver

Please approve this project.

Sincerely,
Rory St Clair

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Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 9:34 AM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Siobhan Gallagher
Subject: In support of 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

The following message was sent through the Abundant Housing Vancouver website
(<http://www.abundanthousingvancouver.com/>) on behalf of Siobhan Gallagher <

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Hello,

I am writing regarding my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. The project is close to my home in Grandview-Woodland. The project is near my work in Grandview-Woodland. I grew up nearby, and still live in the area. I have family and friends in Grandview-Woodland.

I recommend that you approve the project for the reasons listed below:

- This project will make Grandview-Woodland a more vibrant, exciting neighbourhood. That corner in particular needs this kind of mixed-use project
- Below-market homes are greatly needed in this city
- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver
- I am a hospital social worker and my clients urgently need safe, affordable, adequate housing.
- Social workers need to be able to refer clients quickly to local substance use treatment centres of calibre.

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

- Building homes near homes shouldn't require a decision from council.

Best regards,
Siobhan Gallagher

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Burke, Teresita

From: michael cowan <[REDACTED] s.22(1) Personal and Confidential">
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 9:36 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: First and Clark

Greetings

> My is Michael and I am an addict. I have been off of drugs and alcohol now for over 17 years. I went through detox, treatment and into Addiction Housing back in 2001. I had 3 different locations for each part of my treatment. Each time it was get wrenching as I didn't know whether or not I would be able to access the next phase in recovery. I feel strongly that it is important, nay, IMPERATIVE to a persons recovery and life to have everything set up in 1 step in order to get the best results. Today I have a job, friends and family, all of which I am extremely grateful for. I fully support the idea/concept that is being considered for the 1st Avenue and Clark Drive location. As a former resident of the area for almost 8 years I witnessed numerous people struggling in their addiction in the area as well as homelessness. Being in recovery myself I was able to sympathize and connect with them on a personal level. When I did live there (10th and Victoria Drive) I was privileged to watch and see the development go up across the street that welcomed new Canadians to the city as well as meet them.

> I truly believe that we all benefit when we do what Canadians do most and best...CARE!!!!

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> Michael C

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

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> Sent from my iPhone



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Mayor and Council Feedback

Case number: s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

Case created: 2019-02-19, 10:05:00 PM

Incident Location

Address: s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

Address2:

Location name: s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

Original Address

Contact Details

Name: Curtis Ozirney

Address:

Address2:

Phone:

Email: s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

Alt. Phone:

Preferred contact method: Either

Request Details

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

I am a resident of the Grandview Woodlands neighbourhood, and I would like to voice my support for the proposed treatment and housing project on Clark and 1st ave.?

I have friends who have benefitted tremendously from detox programs- their entry into these treatment facilities was among the first major steps in getting their lives back in order.?

Given the prevalence of the opioid crisis, I feel it is only even more necessary that we make room for these treatment facilities in our neighbourhoods.?

I also feel that the concerns about safety and security in the neighbourhood are rather overwrought, and while I too am concerned about crime in my neighbourhood, I do not feel that the presence of a treatment/housing facility will do much to raise the problems already present with property crime.?

I do feel that it is necessary for us as citizens

of this city to make space for those who need more support in their lives- and this includes our back yards.?

Thanks for taking the time to hear my opinion on this issue.

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Burke, Teresita

From: Derrick O'Keefe s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 11:22 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Support for 1636 Clark Drive & 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue development

Dear Mayor and Council,

I'm writing to ask you to support the new detox and rental housing development at the corner of Clark and 1st Ave. This development is strongly in the general public interest. This proposal represents an important step in the right direction on two fronts where our city is facing a veritable emergency: the housing and overdose crises.

I attended the Open House for this project in June 2018. My questions for City Staff were all about tenant relocation and displacement, as well as affordability. I was assured that a thorough effort was underway, though specifics mostly weren't available at the time. I'm not convinced the current proposal represents the best possible outcomes in terms of affordability. Given the partners on this development include the City, we can and must do better. I'd urge Councillors to ensure that every effort is being made to temporarily rehouse tenants in the area at similar rates and to ensure right of return for tenants at comparable or the same rental rates.

On a related point, I'm concerned that the ratio of market to non-market rate units is now 1:1 (45 each). This was not my understanding of the original proposal, and given our housing emergency this is just not good enough. I would urge Council to direct staff and the proponents to guarantee deeper affordability, including welfare/pension rate units and assurances that any low-income or poor tenants among those being displaced are offered the right of return at rates they can afford. There's no excuse not to make sure this happen.

In terms of concerns I've read about in the media by opponents of this project, I'd like to address two spurious ones:

1) Complains that the building is too big. This critique is, in my opinion, basically nonsense. The proposed height is not much different from nearby rental, and we urgently need more rental units throughout Vancouver. Let's be honest: there will be great views of downtown from the west and north side of this building. If anything I'd like to see Council direct that some of the non-market rate units be given units with the best views.

2) The argument that a detox centre should not be "within walking distance" of local schools is, frankly, fearmongering and dehumanizing of those residents of our city who urgently need treatment. We heard similar fearmongering in 2017 about the Marpole modular housing development. A recent report found those fears unfounded. (More info: <https://bc.ctvnews.ca/fears-unfounded-over-vancouver-modular-housing-project-one-year-in-1.4303562>)

The real danger to health and well-being is to those who suffer from lack of housing and/or lack of treatment. We put real people in real danger every time we give in to selfish or misinformed arguments by residents who don't want poor people, renters, or people in need of treatment to live in their neighbourhoods.

Please do the right thing and approve this project, while ensuring that the building includes the maximum number of genuinely affordable rental units.

Sincerely,

Derrick O'Keefe
Vancouver, B.C.

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Mayor and Council Feedback

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Case created: 2019-02-19, 05:36:00 PM

Incident Location

Address:

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Address2:

Location name:

Original Address

Contact Details

Name:

Ms EMILIE ADIN

Address:

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Address2:

"s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"

Phone:

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Alt. Phone:

Request Details

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

Change is hard. There is some impact in building a 10 storey building as opposed to the 6 storey buildings anticipated by the neighbourhood plan for this location.?

However, the depth of the housing crisis and the breadth of social and health care needs in this City and in our local Grandview-Woodland neighbourhood make it clear in my mind that the benefits of this proposed development far outweigh the impacts. This density lands well.? My neighbourhood needs these services and these housing units.? Please support the proposed project.

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Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 11:26 AM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Jacint Simon
Subject: Comments regarding 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

Hello,

I am writing to express my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. Grandview-Woodland is a nice place and I personally would like to live there. Some of my friends and family live in Grandview-Woodland, and I want the best for them.

I'm enthusiastic about 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue because:

- I would like to move to Grandview-Woodland someday, and that will be easier if there are more homes there
- I want my friends and family to be able to live in Grandview-Woodland, and they won't be able to do that if there aren't enough homes
- This project will make Grandview-Woodland a more vibrant, exciting neighbourhood
- We need more social housing in Vancouver
- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver

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

- The land should already be zoned to allow homes like this, no rezoning required

I urge you to approve this project.

Regards,
Jacint Simon

Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 11:26 AM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Janet Hudgins
Subject: In support of 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

Hi,

This email is about 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue, which I support. Desperately needed housing for thousands that can't find a realistically priced home here and have to leave.

1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue should be approved for a number of reasons including the following:

- I don't want to be priced out of Grandview-Woodland
- I want my friends and family to be able to live in Grandview-Woodland, and they won't be able to do that if there aren't enough homes
- This project will make Grandview-Woodland 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 have a shortage of social housing in Vancouver
- We desperately need more rental homes in Vancouver

1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue deserves to be approved, but some things could be improved:

- I'm disappointed that the project doesn't have even more units
- I would like the project to have more family-sized units
- Building homes near homes shouldn't require a decision from council.

Sincerely,
Janet Hudgins
Vancouver

Burke, Teresita

From: Jean Broughton § 87(2)(b) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 11:30 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Rezoning Application: 1st & Clark

Dear Council and staff,

I am writing to wholeheartedly support this application. I live a few blocks away, and I definitely want this building in my community. I also work with the public, and I know that we need more social housing in this city. Every day, good people come into the library where I work and I am relieved to see them, because that means they survived another night on the streets. I know that waiting lists for housing are way too long. It's also very important to me that there be more social housing options outside of the Downtown East Side. The proposed building is a good location for people who need to access services available in the neighborhood but find living there difficult.

Finally, I think this development will provide balance to our neighborhood. We have seen increasing numbers of high income condos and houses in the neighborhood, and a corresponding increase in services that market to only the richest people in our neighborhood. I am happy that this proposed increase in density actually supports those who need housing the most. Many of the increases in density we have seen in the neighborhood have actually removed low-income housing from the neighborhood, evicting 8-10 low-income people from a collective house and erecting 4 one-bedroom condos in their place. Although this looks like an increase in density on paper, in practice, it isn't. I hope this building, with its very needed services and very needed social housing, is allowed to proceed.

Yours sincerely,
Jean Broughton

Burke, Teresita

From: Keri Guelke "s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 11:31 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: I support the 1st and Clark Rezoning Proposal

Dear Mayor and Council,

My name is Keri Guelke and I live at 1122 Rose Street in the Grandview-Woodlands area.

I wholeheartedly support the 1st and Clark Rezoning Proposal (Rezoning Application - 1636 Clark Drive & 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue) to develop a social housing and detox facility at 1st and Clark. In fact, I believe that it is unconscionable not to go ahead with this project in the midst of the opioid crisis. I would welcome such a facility next door to me and would like to see many more such facilities. We need treatment on demand and are a long way from achieving that. I call on city councillors to approve the project.

I care strongly about my neighbours - including those who are homeless and those who use drugs and alcohol - and desire a thriving and welcoming community that includes them without judgement, providing avenues for their support and healing. Please approve this rezoning.

Thank you,

Keri Guelke

Burke, Teresita

From: Allan Kuan <[REDACTED] s.22(1) Personal and Confidential >
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 11:32 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Rezoning Application - 1636 Clark Drive & 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

Hello City of Vancouver mayor and council,

As a resident of the city, I would like to take this opportunity to express my **SUPPORT** for the development at Clark Drive and East 1st Avenue.

My reasons for supporting this development are as follows:

1. The building complies with the existing neighbourhood plan and is sized appropriately for the host neighbourhood
2. The building has been designed immaculately compared to many other low-rises that have been constructed in the past
3. The building has various honourable purposes:
 1. It is a positive step forward in combating our current housing and opioid crises
 2. It will also help to create bridges between the less fortunate and the rest of society, rather than keeping them segregated
4. The building will occupy a lot that has been vacant for a very long time

I also want to kindly remind the city administration of the following:

- They have the right to make decisions that are uncomfortable locally but are for the greater good.
- They have an obligation to the residents of the city to show effective leadership in the face of our current problems and ultimately turn words into actions.
- The decision tonight on whether to proceed with this progressive development or not will both be written into the history books and will also be seen as a sign of things to come.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Allan Kuan

Dear Mayor and City Councillors,

I support the rezoning of 1636 Clark Drive & 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue, and the proposed project including a withdrawal management centre and social housing.

If checked off, I support the urgent prioritization of social housing at welfare/pension rates for this project.

Name:

Emily Klassen

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Other comments:

Housing is a human
necessity. I support this project!



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February 18, 2019

Dear Mayor and Council,

Salsbury Community Society would like to acknowledge its support for the Clark and East 1st Rezoning Proposal (Rezoning Application - 1636 Clark Drive & 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue) to develop more affordable rental/social housing, an enhanced withdrawal management centre and increased social enterprise program space.

As a non-profit housing operator in the Grandview-Woodlands neighborhood for the last twenty years, we offer affordable housing that brings together people from a variety of socioeconomic backgrounds, in hope of a mutually transformative, supportive and nurturing environment that allows all people to flourish. When we submitted our housing proposal for Co:Here in 2012, to build on the corner of East 1st and Victoria Drive, we also received concerns from our neighbors. Since opening, the only complaint we have received is related to parking.

We are aware of the high numbers of people within this community that require affordable rental and social housing. We are also aware of the validation that marginalized individuals receive when they have access to successful employment through a social enterprise, aiding them to participate in society and community. Within our building alone, we have people who have utilized and continue to benefit from detox and transitional housing. Having the Clark and East 1st resource in our backyard will be an ongoing asset to our building, our neighbors and the Grandview Woodlands community. In addition, residents of our building regularly engage in services from local neighborhood resources such as the Grandview Woodlands Mental Health Team, Reach Community Health Centre, the Kettle Friendship Society, Crossroads Community Meal, Just Work, MOMS, Britannia Community Centre, the Commercial Drive MSDSI Office, and Vancity Credit Union. Just as we have found this community to be a supportive and caring neighbourhood for those living within our walls, we need to welcome more projects like this into community if we are truly going to see a city and housing that works for everyone!

On behalf of Salsbury Community Society, we stand behind the proposed project at Clark and East 1st and look forward to partnering with the City of Vancouver, BC Housing, VCH and other non-profits as we welcome this project into our neighborhood.

Rebecca Pousette, Salisbury Beard Chair

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Shandelle Billows, Operations Director

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Burke, Teresita

From: Cory Wilson <"s.22(1) Personal and Confidential">
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 12:24 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Clark and 1st

Dear Mayor and Council,

Please accept my strong support for the proposal for Clark and 1st.

This proposal is important because the services it will provide are in high demand in the neighbourhood. I live at Grant and Woodland (2 blocks from this project) and have lived on Commercial Drive for nearly 20 years. This is a community for all demographics and Clark and 1st is a very important and necessary addition to that diversity.

Thank you

Cory Wilson

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Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

Burke, Teresita

From: Caitie Campbell "s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 12:36 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: I support the proposed redevelopment at Clark and 1st.

Dear Mayor and Council,

Please accept this letter in support for the proposed redevelopment at Clark and 1st. I have lived in Vancouver my entire life and believe projects like these are vital for Vancouvers future and the betterment of the community especially considering the current housing and opiod crisis.

Thank you,

Caitie Campbell

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Burke, Teresita

From: Michaela Buskell <[REDACTED] s.22(1) Personal and Confidential">
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 1:07 PM
To: Public Hearing

Dear Mayor and Council,

This letter is sent in support of the redevelopment being proposed in the Clark and 1st area of East Vancouver. I am a resident of this neighbourhood, and can see the importance of projects like these in the future of our community and our city. I see residents of this city struggling with both the housing and opioid crises, and am heartbroken as a longtime Vancouverite that more isn't being done for everyone. This is a necessary step towards the sustainability of this city. Please, take the necessary steps towards making this city more liveable for everyone, and not just the 1%.

Thank you,

Michaela Buskell

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

Burke, Teresita

From: Abundant Housing <info@abundanthousingvancouver.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2019 1:24 PM
To: Public Hearing
Cc: Bram Evert
Subject: I am in favour of 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

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

Hello,

I would like to register my support for 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue. I actually used to live really close to here, but we moved because our family needed more space and there are simply very few apartments available in the area.

I'm looking forward to 1636 Clark Drive and 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue for a number of reasons including the following:

- This project will make Grandview-Woodland 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
- Below-market homes are greatly needed in this city
- This is a great neighbourhood, but I know from experience it is virtually impossible to find a rental apartment - this would make a great home for families like mine

I do have some ideas for improvement:

- The project could have more family-friendly units

Ultimately, this is exactly the kind of project that people need and I urge the council to approve it.

Thank you for your time,

Bram Evert

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Vancouver
Division of Family Practice
A GPSC initiative

February 20, 2019

To Whom It May Concern,

The Vancouver Division of Family Practice is writing to add our support for the Withdrawal Management Centre being proposed as part of the development at Clark and 1st.

As a not-for-profit society with a membership of more than 1,000 family doctors (representing 92% of the practicing family doctors in the City of Vancouver), our members work alongside the many healthcare professionals on the city's frontline of addictions care.

In recognition that there are some concerns raised about the inclusion of the Centre within the proposed development, we wanted to emphasize the following important points:

- With an ongoing addiction and overdose crisis in Vancouver there continues to be pressure on the healthcare system to provide care and supports, making the proposed renewal and expansion of withdrawal management care an important resource for patients and for our members;
- Our members support the continued work to destigmatize the public perceptions of mental health and substance use concerns and it is critically important to show support for programs designed to provide intentional assistance for people who are in recovery to reconnect with their community; and,
- Vancouver Coastal Health operates a number of community based programs similar to the one proposed that support the safety and health of the community and have successfully integrated into their neighborhoods.

The Division would be happy to follow-up on our submission as required. We can be reached at

"s.22(1) Personal and Confidential" or "s.22(1) Personal and Confidential".

Sincerely,

"s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"

Dr. Jay Slater
Chair, Board of Directors
Vancouver Division of Family Practice

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