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From: Nathan Schoepp <[REDACTED] s.22(1) Personal and Confidential">
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2019 1:02 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: East 1st and Clark Rezoning Proposal - Support

To Mayor Steward and City Council,

I'm writing to express support for the redevelopment at East 1st and Clark. I live in the Grandview Woodlands neighbourhood, a few blocks away from the proposed site.

Between the challenges our city faces with affordable housing and addictions issues, these sort of developments seem crucial. I'd be proud to have this in "my backyard," and to welcome the residents as neighbours. I hope that you consider the many voices in this neighbourhood who stand by and support this proposal.

Regards,
Nathan Schoepp

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VANCOUVER [EAST SIDE & WEST END] TRANSIT PROJECTS:

- (1) SkyTrain extension to UBC by Summer of 2027.
- (2) Construction of a new VICTORIA STN [ON THE Vic.-COMM. DIV.]
- (3) More Elevators & Entrances at Various SkyTrain Stations
- (4) Lengthening Platforms to accommodate 8 cars trains.
- (5) Expand NO PARKING/BUS LANES ON MAJOR Transit Corridors.
- (6) New Express-B-Line bus routes on various corridors
- (7) Improve the frequency and hours of service on most bus routes.
- (8) Restore the bus cutbacks on routes #'s 26, 27, 29, N6, N16.
- (9) New route #1 From Main St STN to Burnaby via **FIRST AVENUE**
- (10) New route #11 From Stanley Park via **NELSON** TO Yaletown STN.
- (11) New route #21 From Victoria & Kingsway North on **VICTORIA DR** to the Port-Powell St, Wall St, Renfrew St. to the **PNE**.
- (12) New route #57 from new River District to Champlain Square (54 & Kerr) then via **54/57 AVE/59/CAMBIE ST** TO **MARINE DR. SkyTrain STN.**
- (13) Extensions or New routes from Vancouver STN's into Burnaby to serve Brentwood, BQIT, CITY HALL, BURNABY HOSPITAL via
(a) Lougheed Hwy (b) Grandview Hwy (c) 29th AVE. (d) Joyce Street.
- (14) NEW DART-Ride Sharing within 6 MONTHS improve HandyDART:
 - (a) Regular DART should be available in areas with low population density eg N.E area in Vancouver-N.W. area in Burnaby.
 - (b) NightDART (1230am to 0630am) should be introduced to complement the NightBUS program, initially passengers be allowed only 10 trips per month of up to 15km.
 - (c) Improve the BIKE sharing and add Electric bikes & scooters.
 - (d) City of Vancouver initially to buy 50 EV ridesharing cars/vans and operate them instead of PRIVATE companies like UBER/LYFT.
 - (e) Most operating rules would be similar to HandyDART
subsidy will range from 0% to 50% per trip.

DELEGATIONS (CONT'D)

Expo Transportation Planning (cont'd)

During consideration of the report the City Engineer and the Deputy City Engineer answered questions from Council. Also, Mr. Rice, Chief Transportation Planner with Expo, reviewed Expo's plans to handle parking during the fair. He noted that Expo has recently reached an agreement with Imperial Parking Ltd. (Impark) to provide off-site visitors' parking services during Expo.

Impark has undertaken to provide a minimum of 7400 new temporary parking spaces and has presently secured some 4,000 spaces, most of them in the area at east end of the railyards. A shuttle bus service will be operated from the major parking areas to the Expo site and while the majority of the additional parking spaces will be located in the area of the East Gate, Expo hopes to provide some parking adjacent to the other Gates.

MOVED by Ald. Ford,

THAT the following recommendations of the City Engineer be amended and approved as follows:

- A. THAT the traffic measures for Expo as outlined in his report dated July 18, 1985 be received for information and the City Engineer continue working with Expo officials on detailed planning and implementation;
- B. THAT the City Engineer, in consultation with the Director of Planning and local residents in impacted residential areas, be requested to develop plans to protect neighbourhood streets from the traffic and parking of Expo attendees to the extent possible;
- C. THAT the City Engineer, in consultation with the Director of Planning and representatives of Downtown businesses, examine means to ensure that sufficient short-term parking is available during Expo to support normal ongoing business activity;
- D. THAT Expo be requested to continue to pursue the provision of parking sources to satisfy the projected 3,000 to 4,000 space shortfall; and furthermore to develop contingency plans to deal with traffic and parking problems because of the likelihood that attendance, car usage and other key factors will increase over present projections;
- E. THAT the B.C. Transit Board be requested to provide funding for the provision of additional buses to augment regular service as a means of minimizing impacts on regular transit riders and on parking and, in particular, that the 1st Avenue bus be given a high priority.
- F. THAT the City Engineer report back on specific funding requirements to implement parking and access control requirements on City streets which have been outlined in his report.

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Mayor and Council Feedback

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Incident Location

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Contact Details

Name: Polly Ng

Address:

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Alt. Phone:

Preferred contact method: Either

Request Details

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

I may not be able to speak today for the Clark and 1st Avenue rezoning so wanted to send my revised comments. My partner & I live 4 blocks away from the project & we wholeheartedly support it.

I echo previous comments about how it will save & change lives & provide affordable housing to our most marginalized neighbours. We urgently need this project & more in the context of our opioid overdose epidemic & housing crisis.

Some of my neighbours are afraid of what this project means to our community. To speak to some of those concerns: I work with people recovering from substance use. They are some of the most courageous & kindest people I know. Currently, it takes vast determination to go to withdrawal management because there aren't enough beds. People endure long wait times & go

far out of town to get a spot. If they can't make it on their assigned day, they lose their spot. On top of this, most people are homeless, sleeping outside as they wait for a chance at recovery. Building 20 beds isn't enough but it's a good start.

I am so glad this facility will offer substitution treatments. My clinic specializes in providing methadone & suboxone. I have seen clients get healthier, secure jobs, rekindle relationships, live normal lives. Sometimes I see them on the Drive. If I hadn't worked with them, I would not guess that they ever struggled with addiction. At the same time, we lose clients because we are a day clinic & cannot offer the stability of housing & on-site treatment. It takes tremendous dedication for clients to come in for daily treatment when they're battling the chaos of how to eat, shower, & store belongings without a home & serious health issues such as sepsis. Please approve this project so more people can regain their lives.

I am also very glad about the sobering centre. My clinic does something similar. We receive people who have overdosed & monitor them to ensure full recovery. Most people rest quietly as they are experiencing the debilitating effects of withdrawal due to the medication, Naloxone that reverses the overdose. It is an excellent opportunity to connect with them about harm reduction, treatment, & other services. I fully support having this in my neighbourhood as it will save lives & will not be disruptive.

I think 20 beds is the perfect size, even a little small. I have over 20 neighbours on my floor & I live in a 3 story apartment building that is not large. I also like the 10 story social housing building. I welcome more density & height in because it means more neighbours and more community. I have no concerns

about crime or safety related to this project and I have every confidence that VCH & BC Housing will work extensively with us to address any issues that may come up. I am looking forward to welcoming new neighbours who are working so hard to recover & I hope that you will give them that chance.

Finally, attached are messages from some of my neighbours. Thank you.

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Additional Details

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Map and Photo

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From: Thi Vu "s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2019 3:26 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Rezoing Application - 1636 Clark Drive & 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue

Greetings,

I am writing to express my support of the Rezoning Application for 1636 Clark Drive & 1321-1395 East 1st Avenue for the purposes of building a social housing/detox centre run by BC Housing and VCH.

I am a resident of Grandview-Woodlands and I strongly believe that this neighbourhood has the capacity to welcome more neighbours from diverse backgrounds into our community, as it always has. I also think that non-profit housing projects with integrated services such as this one is what is needed in a city that is facing both a housing crisis for low-income families and an opioid crisis.

I urge all Vancouver City Councillors to support this development.

Sincerely,
Thi Vu