Kennett, Bonnie

From:

Edith Hayes s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

Sent:

Saturday, May 11, 2019 2:48 PM

To:

Public Hearing, Mayor and Council Correspondence

Subject: Proposal at 2525 Carolina St.

To whom it may concern,

I would like to voice my vehement opposition to the proposal to redevelop 2525 Carolina St.. The heritage designation of Connacher House, while welcome, would threaten the existence of the Return-It Depot. Being that the welfare recipients are only receiving \$710 per person per month on a basic pension -- or nothing at all if one falls foul of the Ministry of Social Development; and being that Vancouver has woefully few units for extremely low-income individuals such as these, the depot is a lifeline for scavengers. The lack of it would spell even more social discord as the poor are forced further into destitution and homelessness, with repercussions on the property prices and the general comfort of the privileged. In other words, the pigheaded proposal to redevelop 2525 Carolina St. and to remove the Return-It Depot "because of the sorts of people it attracts", would only perpetuate the very problem PortLiving are attempting to eradicate.

The Mayor's council, the province and their cronies have committed enough social murder on the poor of Vancouver as it is. Have you no shame? Even if not, you must consider that further, misguided attempts to densify Vancouver at the expense of the local community, local heritage and the poor will only come back to haunt you, as the housing bubble pops, as Vancouver hollows out, and as the destitute become even more desperate.

You will be reviled for your lust for short-term profit, and the people will revolt.



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Mayor and Council Feedback

Case number:

Case created:

2019-05-14, 09:06:00 AM

Incident Location

Address:

INTERSECTION CAROLINA ST, Vancouver,

Address2:

E 17TH AV

Location name:

Original Address:

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Contact Details

Name:

Sydney Ball

Address:

Address2:

Phone:

Alt. Phone:

Preferred contact method: Either

Request Details

1. Describe details (who, what, where, when, why): To the Mayor and Councillors,

I'm a resident at s.22(1) Personal and I'm writing in opposition to item 2 on the Agenda today "2.

HERITAGE DESIGNATION: 2525 Carolina

Street (The Carolina)".

My main concern with the proposal is that it does not extend heritage status to the building located in the back of the lot at 2525 Carolina where the Bottle Depot is located. This is one of the areas oldest industrial sites and should be preserved.

I know that the reason it is not in the current plan is a decision made my Port Living, the owner of the site who is looking to develop it, to purposefully make our neighbourhood less inviting to low income residents. They think that the neighbourhood would be better without the people who rely on the

bottle depot and with more luxury dwellings. Port Living makes me less welcome in my neighbourhood.

In the relocation of the Connacher Residence, Port Living will needlessly kick out the current long term tenants. The City's Tenant Relocation policy is woefully inadequate and The City should take no steps to permanently displace tenants until it is updated to retain a place for tenants in the neighbourhood. As of now the tenants will receive a small compensation that will get them one or two months rent in this housing market and are forwarded craigslist ads of other apartments they can't afford. It's a sham of a policy.

Port Living stands to be approved for a two million dollar grant from the City for the restoration of the Connacher Residence, displacing the tenants and the bottle depot. What I care about in my neighbourhood is that the residents and their livelihoods remain.

I would eventually like to see the site designated as a heritage site, but only if the old machine shop is preserved and the tenants are able to remain in affordable rental units.

I don't give a damn about some artist studios or more condos on this Broadway/Fraser corridor, and I hope the City really considers who has been living here before they turn out more people on to the street for this Broadway transit line.

		Sydney Ball
2.	Department:	Mayor and Council
3.	Neighbourhood:	Mount Pleasant
4.	Were any other cases or service requests created as a result	No
	of this feedback?	

Sincerely,

6.	(Don't ask, just record - did caller indicate they want a call	No
	back?):	
7.	Council Item:	Opposed
8.	Select category:	Planning, Zoning, and Development
10.	Specific area of concern:	Heritage Designation: 2525 Carolina St.
11.	Author Type:	Individual
12.	Correspondence Type:	Original Feedback
13.	Original Client:	Sydney Ball
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Additional Details

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Kennett, Bonnie

From:

Joey Doyle s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

Sent:

Tuesday, May 14, 2019 10:41 AM

To:

Public Hearing

Subject:

2. HERITAGE DESIGNATION: 2525 Carolina Street (The Carolina)

Dear Mayor and City Councillors,

I am a resident at and I am writing to strongly oppose Item Number 2 from today's Public Hearing agenda, which is set to designate the building at 2525 Carolina Street as a protected heritage property. As an alternative, I ask that the heritage designation be expanded to include the nearby Bottle Depot in the back lot of 2525 Carolina.

This proposed designation fails to protect a neighbourhood amenity that serves a vulnerable low-income community. The Bottle Depot is an essential service for many individuals living in and around the neighbourhood. For years, it has allowed low-income seniors, homeless persons, and others to meet their basic needs by collecting and returning bottles.

I formerly lived across Broadway from this site - at Carolina and 8th - and saw first-hand the impact that the Bottle Depot has on improving the lives of persons who reside in the area. That it is necessary for anyone to rely on picking up bottles in order to live is a travesty in itself - but until we can provide fulsome services for low-income persons, it is necessary.

It is clear that the developer of this site, PortLiving, does not want the Bottle Depot to remain at the site because they intentionally want to make the neighbourhood less inviting to low-income persons. They believe people who rely on the Bottle Depot are undesirable as neighbours. It certainly helps that PortLiving would receive a \$2million financial incentive to construct their new project if this application is successful.

In other words, PortLiving is seeking to turn a profit by evicting long-term residents and denying them access to essential services. I urge Council not to endorse these practices and instead to support the needs of some of the most under-served members of our community.

Thank you,

Joey Doyle



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Mayor and Council Feedback

Case number:

Case created:

2019-05-13, 09:49:00 PM

Incident Location

Address:

Address2:

Location name:

Original Address: Confidential

Contact Details

Name:

Zachary

Address:

Address2:

Phone:

Email:

Alt. Phone:

Preferred contact method: Either

Request Details

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

I am writing to express my intense opposition to the proposed heritage designation of 2525 Carolina Street, and the development proposed on and neighbouring the above address.

The building, and those around it, are important foundational components of this neighbourhood. Without them, particularly the bottle depot, many local individuals would be at significant cultural and financial losses, as the buildings provide vital sources of income and affordable housing. I am currently a resident of this block, and I would be displayed of a rare apartment that allows me to actually live and work in Vancouver, I live just a few blocks away from my work, and this neighbourhood is wonderful. I enjoy the walkability and the local characters I encounter.

		designation, or the development proposals.
		This neighbourhood is dying, because
		developers are killing us.
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Please DO NOT approve the heritage

Additional Details

Original address:

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Map and Photo

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