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**From:** Emma s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 9:01 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Re: Proposed Development 4575 Granville Street

To Mayor Kennedy Stewart and Council:

I am an Economics and Finance major just graduating from university, and the economics of this doesn't make sense. If approved, this could result in Hospice Closure and the loss of nearly 25% of the vital supply of hospice beds in Vancouver. It costs approximately \$500.00 to operate a hospice bed and \$2000 to operate a hospital bed. Patients receive specialized care and the health care system saves money! Please save this hospice!

Signed,

Emma Larson

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**From:** s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 11:59 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Proposed development at 4575 Granville Street.

The proposed development at this address will severely impact the peace and quiet of patients in their last days of life.

Many years of volunteer service enabled this Hospice to be built and it is a haven in this city. There are never enough hospice bed in the city and disruption here might force a closure of these precious 8 beds.

The development is NOT affordable housing and this is not a suitable place for it.

Thank you  
Mary Amos.

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**From:** Dennis Hurd (VAN) s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 10:55 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Cc:** Sue Hurd  
**Subject:** Vancouver Hospice public hearing

Subject: Proposal to rezone a single family property and build a 21 unit townhouse directly adjacent to Vancouver Hospice.

The Hospice cares for people in the last few weeks of their lives in a quiet and peaceful atmosphere. If the development proceeds those last few weeks of their lives will instead be filled with noisy construction and the daily traffic and noise of occupants of 21 townhouses.

With Respect

Dennis Hurd  
s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
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**From:** Homan Safaei s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 9:58 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** SAVE YOUR COMMUNITY HOSPICE

Please save our community hospice. The hospice is essential and necessary for the wellbeing and spirit of our community. Please save our community hospice. Thank you...

Sincerely,  
Homan Safaei  
Ali Mohammad Safaei  
Bahereh Safaei  
Peyman Safaei

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**From:** s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 9:13 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Hospice

I am so saddened to hear that you put greed ahead of compassion. The townhouse development is NOT affordable housing. I am a public school teacher and on my salary \$3700 per month is definitely way out of my affordability range. A hospice is a place people come to die. It is a place for families to say their goodbyes to their loved ones.

If it was someone you loved who was dying would you want to have to search for parking, listen the noise of construction, and be continually inconvenienced with the goings on of a huge townhouse development while grieving???

Please get your priorities in order. I know somewhere in your heart you have an ounce of compassion

Ann Hayes

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** JOHN KAY s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 7:15 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Vancouver Hospice adjacent development

Dear City Councillors,

The proposal to build a 4 storey 21 unit complex overlooking the Vancouver Hospice at 4700 block Granville Street is completely inappropriate.

The last thing dying patients need is the noise of construction , dust etc.

The height of the proposed building is too high as it will mean the top floors can see into the Hospice effecting the privacy of patients.

Please downzone the property to permit only 2 story townhomes with no underground parking to reduce the construction time and noise and keeping the hospice property private.

Thank you.

Sincerely.

John Kay.

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**From:** Pauline Kay s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 7:06 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** 4575 Granville

Dear city councillors

I have just come from the peaceful Vancouver hospice.

I'm very upset to hear that there is a four storey complex proposed for right next door.

These dying patients do not need noise ,dust and confusion in their remaining lives, Please consider a smaller building Sincerely Pauline Kay Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Dell s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 6:36 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Development of 4757 Granville Street

I am writing to express my sadness at the proposed plan to erect a large housing complex directly next door to the Vancouver Hospice at 4575 Granville Street..

Please please understand that I fully support affordable housing, but to see what unique services are provided at the Hospice for the patients who spend their last few weeks or days there in this tranquil setting, and the privacy that families currently enjoy as they bid farewell to their loved ones. I cannot imagine the disruption, noise, dust and constant traffic over a long period of time the effect this will have. I have heard that there is a very strong possibility that this eight bed Hospice most likely would have to close.

As a former Nurse this to me is tragic, as in my career I too often had to just pull the curtains around a patient in their last hours on this earth ,as we just did not have the time to sit and hold their hand, and yes many patients died alone. We all deserve to be treated with dignity and respect until we take our last breath in a peaceful place surrounded by gardens where life began.

There is a huge need for Hospice beds in Vancouver and the cost to keep a patient in Hospital is almost four times as much as in a Hospice. I have had over the past three years ,three friends who died at the Vancouver Hospice and truly this is what I would wish for everyone. I sat out in the garden with my friend having cups of tea, listening to the birds sing and seeing the new growth in the garden that she just loved as she had been an avid gardener, and as she died a few days later, these are the memories her families and friends will have of her, not very loud noises coming from all directions.

Please please reconsider this proposal, you know the Hospice can't move, but for this proposed building ,choose another site.

Thank you.

Sincerely Catherine D Whelan.

Sent from my iPad



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**From:** Sandy Mccrone s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 30, 2019 8:28 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** VANCOUVER HOSPICE

To Whom it may concern,

I am writing in regard to the 4-storey, 21 unit townhouse development at 4575 Granville Street directly adjacent to Vancouver Hospice. My sister, Heather, died at Vancouver Hospice. I am forever grateful for the loving care that she received in such a peaceful, private, and beautiful environment.

A dying person should be able to die in quietude. The families should be able to spend the last hours or days with their loved ones in that quiet and respectful atmosphere.

I'm asking you to please reconsider this proposal to rezone. Vancouver Hospice is a much needed facility in this City and to lose it would be a travesty.

Sincerely,

Sandra McCrone  
s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Karen Mealey s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 30, 2019 8:15 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Vancouver Hospice

Having had a loved one pass but we were able to have him stay in the Vancouver Hospice for the last few weeks of his life, I cannot believe that the hospice would be threatened its existence and in fact, land and funds should be donated by the City and developers to expand the facility....Shame on this world for not supporting such a wonderful, caring facility. Karen.

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**From:** George Hungerford s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Monday, June 03, 2019 10:47 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Rezoning Proposal at 4575 Granville St --Public hearing on June 11th

To Whom It May Concern

My wife and I live at s.22(1) Personal and Confidential in the same neighbourhood as the proposed housing project at 4575 Granville St. We strongly oppose the rezoning application of a single family property which if approved would permit a 4 storey 21 unit townhouse development next door to an important community hospice(Vancouver Hospice).

**Please do not approve the rezoning.**

Thank you

**George W. Hungerford,** s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

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**From:** Sandy Wong s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 02, 2019 10:00 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** oppose rezoning from single family to Townhouses at 4575 Granville

Hi,

I want to tell you that I am concerned about the application to rezone 4575 Granville from single family to 21 Townhouses which would not be affordable housing. This property is adjacent to the Vancouver Hospice. Approximately 150 Vancouver residents come to this hospice each year to die. Patients and their families need peace, privacy and access to the Vancouver Hospice.

Please keep the property at 4575 Granville as a single family zoning so that there will be a tranquil setting for those patients and families who will need the hospice. I work in health care and know the importance of having a peaceful setting for a patient and the family in the final days.

I STRONGLY OPPOSE THE REZONING APPLICATION at 4575 Granville from single zone to 21 townhouses.

Sandy Wong  
s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

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**From:** Susan Clayton-Carroll s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 02, 2019 3:11 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** 4575 Granville Street.

Dear City Hall,

Sometimes going down the main arteries is like a tornado never changing its course. When is enough going to be enough, even after you decimate a neighbourhood. Shaughnessy is a unique and beautiful neighbourhood built as you know in the early 1900's. I hear that you are proposing to develop a 4 story 21 unit development site adjacent to Vancouver Hospice.

This cannot happen. You must leave Shaughnessy alone and let it remain as the treasure that it is and hopefully will be for centuries to come. The stress, the sadness, the loss cannot be spoiled by the developers disturbing the privacy as well as the peace needed in the last few days of one's lives.

I hope you all rethink of the changes you are road mapping in Vancouver.

Is City Hall also blanketing all major arteries in Vancouver so it will look like a concrete jungle like lifeless large cities or other areas which are so ugly. I have lived here for over 40 years and development is not the best thing to keep the city connected. It divides us as we hurry to rush and keep up with others...never have time to slow down. More is not better it results in congestion, pollution, crime, but you see it as \$\$\$\$ taxes...\$\$\$ . Very sad what the future of a beautiful city will look like in 20 years time. Please do not develop these walls, you build and they will come, the more you build the more they will come. And at the end we will be like a large city polluted to such a degree its unpleasant.

I called a contractor to come to my house and he asked where I lived.. I said Vancouver, he said " No I won't come as the traffic is too much, find someone else" . This is going to be happening as more and more people drive, and kid you not, 80% of people own a car and will not give it up. It's shameful to make the developers of the 20<sup>th</sup> century the boom of the new wealth age and it's all so ugly. If you have to build which I think you have done enough..... You have a clean slate and should insist on each development being of character, charm, uniqueness like France, Amsterdam, Italy etc. not flat, boring, out of date ugliness Vancouver. You have the power to control as you already do on other aspects but please do not decimate the city with what the developers want to do that is cheaper and quicker on a mass production scale. We need quaint, beautiful developments not flat tower or 4 story walled buildings.

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**From:** Daniel Hurd s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 02, 2019 9:09 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Vancouver Hospice public hearing

Subject: Proposal to rezone a single family property and build a 21 unit townhouse directly adjacent to Vancouver Hospice.

The Hospice cares for people in the last few weeks of their lives in a quiet and peaceful atmosphere. If the development proceeds those last few weeks of their lives will instead be filled with noisy construction and the daily traffic and noise of occupants of 21 townhouses.

With Respect

Daniel Hurd

s.22(1) Personal and Confidential



May 31, 2019

Vancouver City Council  
City Clerk's Office

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed redevelopment of the property at 4575 Granville Street.

The Vancouver Hospice Society operates a small free standing hospice home on the adjacent property. I have been a volunteer with the Vancouver Hospice Society since 2010. The Society is devoted to providing a peaceful and compassionate service to dying patients who for a variety of reasons are unwilling or unable to spend the last remaining days of their lives at home or in a hospital. The home was specially designed to provide a comfortable and home like refuge for dying patients and their families. Countless hours have been donated by volunteers to design and maintain a beautiful garden on the property. It is a place of serenity and compassionate caring for patients and their loved ones at a critical time of their lives.

The proposed 4storey, 21unit townhouse development is incompatible with the ongoing operation of the hospice. The noise and disruption of a lengthy demolition and construction period would seriously compromise the ethos of the hospice home. Should the development proceed, operations of the hospice would be adversely affected. The increase of traffic on Connaught Street and lane would reduce accessibility to the hospice to the point of hardship for family members, staff, and services. The increase in traffic noise alone would be very upsetting for those needing to spend quiet and peaceful time at the hospice.

I urge the Council to give the development proposal your serious consideration and vote NO to the proposed redevelopment at 4575 Granville Street.

Yours truly,

Mary Jane Duke

s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

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**From:** s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 3:16 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Proposed development at 4575 Granville St. - NO!

Please accept this e-mail as a strong protest against the rezoning application for 4575 Granville Street which is directly adjacent to Vancouver Hospice. SHAME!



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**From:** Maggy Kaplan s.22(1) Personal and  
**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 2:17 PM Confidential  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Please save the Hospice

Dear Decision Makers,

On June 11, a public hearing for the proposal to rezone a single family property to build a four story 21 unit townhouse at 4575 Granville St. Is scheduled to take place. As I will be unable to attend, I am writing to urge that this proposal NOT be approved.

I am a hospice volunteer and a person who has been a care giver during my husband's terminal illness, and I can assure you that this proposal will not benefit anyone, except perhaps the developer. If it were to go ahead, the destruction and construction air and noise pollution would force the Hospice next door to close and nearly 25% of the currently available and already too few hospice beds in Vancouver would be lost as would bereavement programs that support hundreds of Vancouverites each year. Once the building is occupied, important peace and privacy would be lost and the likelihood of the Hospice reopening is very questionable.

Consider yourself and your loved ones. I don't mean to be morbid but, sooner or later, every family, every one of us, is touched by death and dying. We all need this hospice to stay open. We don't need more unaffordable housing in Vancouver.

Please do the right thing, think about the greatest good for the greatest number of people, and reject this proposal.

Thank you.  
Maggy Kaplan

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Margaret MacLennan  
**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 12:26 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing

s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

I am opposed to the development next door to The Vancouver Hospice on Granville street.. This Hospice was funded by the people of Vancouver for the people of Vancouver and provides a peaceful end of life care for our citizens. It is hard to believe the City of Vancouver is having a public hearing for a development next door that is definitely NOT going to provide affordable housing. It will have a severe impact on the Hospice and in fact will probably result in it having to close.

Please DO NOT approve this development application.

Marg

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**From:** Cat Girczyc s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 30, 2019 6:56 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** FW: Save Your Community Hospice!

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to strongly object to the new development proposed to be built next door to the Vancouver Hospice Society building.

1. There is no "market rent" housing and certainly nothing that the average wage-earner in Vancouver could afford to purchase. It's not for locals, which is a shame.
2. It will ruin a wonderful community service which people never think they will need, but when they do, it is a godsend.
3. As usual, Vancouver puts greed before people.
4. The notion that we are only going to get consistent waves of immigration into this city is nonsense. Home prices are dropping like a rock at the moment, which is a sign that it's stopping.

Please do not approve this or any other development on this site.

Thanks

Yours truly

Catherine Girczyc

s.22(1) Personal and Confidential



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**From:** Vancouver Hospice Society s.22(1) Personal and Confidential **On Behalf Of** Vancouver Hospice Society  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 30, 2019 2:33 PM  
**To:** s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Subject:** Save Your Community Hospice!



**Save Your Community Hospice!**

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**From:** Elaine Dawn s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 12:11 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Re: Vancouver Hospice Society

On May 31, 2019, at 12:08 PM, Elaine Dawn s.22(1) Personal and Confidential wrote:

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Elaine Dawn s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Subject:** Vancouver Hospice Society  
**Date:** May 31, 2019 at 12:06:40 PM PDT  
**To:** [publichearing@vancouver.ca](mailto:publichearing@vancouver.ca)

I strongly support Stephen Roberts, VHS Board Chairman's letter to Gil Kelley, General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability dated October 22, 2018 in which he outlined the disruption that would occur if Vancouver City Council would approve the building of two 3-storey townhouse buildings with 21 residential units immediately adjacent to the Vancouver Hospice Society. Apart from the noise which would occur in building these townhouses, it would also entail continued disruption caused by increased parking in and around the area in question plus numerous other inconveniences along Granville Street which, as you are aware, is one of the busiest streets in Vancouver.

I sincerely hope you will not authorize the building of these two townhouses to be erected adjacent to the Vancouver Hospice Society.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Elaine Dawn

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**From:** Grant, Isabel s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 30, 2019 7:46 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Vancouver Hospice Society

I am writing to oppose the rezoning that would allow for a four-story building to go up in the vicinity of the Hospice. My sister Rachel died at the Vancouver hospice on February 19, 2019. It was a difficult time for all of us and especially her. The quiet peaceful setting of the hospice, along with their dedicated and supportive staff, made this incredibly difficult time easier. The love of her life was able to spend the last night of her life with her in a quiet room looking out onto a peaceful garden. Hospice beds are rare in this city and we know how lucky we were to receive one for my sister. A four-story building and all the noise, traffic and crowds that that entails will significantly detract from the quiet peaceful environment the Hospice provides its clients. Please think twice about doing this. Once it is done, it cannot be undone. There are many aspects of Vancouver that make it a difficult city in which to live and die. Protect one of the few livable components of this neighbourhood and support those who have to end their life in such a facility. Show the citizens of Vancouver that money is not the only driving force in this city. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely  
Isabel

Isabel Grant

s.22(1) Personal and Confidential



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**From:** Michael Goldberger s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2019 2:52 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Vancouver hospice society hearing June 11 2019

Dear Mayor and Council,

It has come to my attention that there is a proposed high density building for the site beside Vancouver Hospice on Granville street. A hospice, by definition, is designed to provide a peaceful ending for the terminally ill in our society. There is no medical treatment available to lengthen the lives of these people and the emphasis is on comfort care only. One day all of us and our families will be faced with this situation. Unfortunately there are as yet few hospice facilities in the city of Vancouver - we need to treasure and preserve those that we have.

To develop a high density building beside an existing hospice neutralizes any benefits that it can provide to this suffering population. Our society will always be judged by how we treat our most vulnerable members. I strongly condemn this proposed development irrespective of its intended use.

Yours sincerely

Dr. Michael Goldberger.

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Peter s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 5:07 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** 4575 Granville, Market Rent Townhouse Development , public hearing of June 11

Dear Mayor and Council,

I would like to register my opposition to the proposal.

While I support the development of rental housing , I do not believe it appropriate in this circumstance.

The development will seriously impede the operation of the hospice behind it. Immensely during construction and quite likely to a significant extent once completed. It can also only have a negative impact on people going through one of the most stressful periods in their life, the loss of the life loved one.

I find that the fact that this proposal has gotten this far inconsiderate on both part of the developer and the planning department. What are they thinking? The Hospice has been in place quite some time. The negative repercussions are obvious. Hospices are needed, why run the risk of ruining the operations of this one?

Please vote against this proposed development.

Sincerely yours,

Peter Kappel

s.22(1) Personal and Confidential



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**From:** Jane Ewasiuk s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 5:34 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Townhouse Development 4575 Granville Steet

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to voice my opposition to the proposed development of the 21 Unit townhouse project at 4575 Granville Street.

While I recognize the need for housing in Vancouver is a very real problem, we must factor in the negative impact this particular project will have. It seems especially cruel to allow 25% of Vancouver's hospice needs to be disregarded if the project goes ahead. Are the needs of Vancouver residents in the last months of their life no less important than that of the rest?

Imagine a beloved dying family member of yours being denied the special care and attention provided by the Hopsice Society because a construction project is disrupting and possibly displacing it's residents. Imagine having lost a beloved family member and struggling with your grief and not being able to access grief counselling and support because the providers of those services were forced to shut their doors through no fault of their own.

If you do not protect the rights of Vancouver residents to have a place to go to die with dignity in their final months or weeks on earth, you will have as much as shouted from the roof tops that you only care about the wealthy people who can afford a townhouse on Granville Street. You will say that those who are dying and the families that care about them don't matter.

Please do not approve this project. You will be doing so much harm, compared to the gain.

Sincerely,

Jane Ewasiuk

Sent from my iPhone





### Mayor and Council Feedback

Case number: 101012953347

Case created: 2019-06-02, 12:39:00 PM

### Incident Location

Address: 311 UNADDRESSED LOCATION, VANCOUVER, VAN 311

Address2:

Location name:

Original Address: 311 UNADDRESSED LOCATION

### Contact Details

Name: Debra Flewelling

Address: ,

Address2:

Phone:

Email:

s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

Alt. Phone:

Preferred contact method: Either

### Request Details

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| 1.  | Comment:*                                  | I'm writing with regards to the public hearing - June 11th - concerning the townhouse development at 4575 Granville St. This development will have a very negative impact on the Vancouver Hospice which is an important and much needed facility. It is a place for people to die in peace without having to listen to the construction noise. And after construction it will be in a higher density area that brings it's own problems. Please listen to the community |
| 3.  | Department:                                | MayorandCouncil  |
| 6.  | Did caller indicate they want a call back? | Unknown  |
| 11. | Name:*                                     | Debra Flewelling   |
| 12. | Which neighbourhood do you live in?        |  |
| 13. | Email:*                                    | s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  |
| 14. | Address:                                   |  |
| 99. | Attachments                                | 0  |

### Additional Details

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**From:** P&D Simmons s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Monday, June 03, 2019 7:56 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** 4575 Granville Street

I would like to voice my opposition to rezone a single-family property and build a 4-storey, 21 unit townhouse development at 4575 Granville Street adjacent to Vancouver Hospice.

As so many other residents of Vancouver, I applaud the city's concern for building housing along the major city thoroughfares that are close to public transportation. BUT not at the expense of our most vulnerable people: the elderly, children, ill, and dying. The loss of any hospice would be a tragedy as these facilities provide a necessary supportive environment for the dying and require an environment conducive to a peaceful termination of life.

Townhouses can be built anywhere. Hospice facilities have specific requirements which are currently met by the hospice on Granville Street. DO NOT SACRIFICE THIS FACILITY OR THE PEOPLE WHO RELY ON IT. What a brutish and inconsiderate thing to do. The voters of Vancouver would be repelled by such an action..

Debra Simmons

s.22(1) Personal and Confidential



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**From:** David Wong s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Monday, June 03, 2019 8:48 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Proposed Development 4575 Granville St next to the Vancouver Hospice

Dear Mayor and Councillors

My name is David Wong and I am a family physician with experiences with patients in all stages of their lives. When we were able to move patients with end of life disease into a hospice setting the quality of that patient's final stages of life and the well being of their loved ones was greatly improved. It was with great satisfaction to the residents of Vancouver when the Vancouver Hospice opened up to offer outstanding care to residents and their families facing terminal illness. This has always been a major mandate of all levels of government as well as the medical community in Vancouver.

Unfortunately the peace and tranquility that the Hospice offers is being threatened by the proposed townhouse development for 4575 Granville Street. I support affordable housing - the temporary modular housing at Heather street and 37th ave near where I am staying is a great addition to helping solve the housing crisis. However at the same time we need to take into consideration the uniqueness of the Hospice community and setting. In talking with Hospice staff, volunteers and the patients and their support network who come to the hospice they value the peace, tranquility and the ease of access to the facilities. The proposed development will severely disrupt privacy, parking, access and the well being of the hospice residents and their families.

Please allow patients to continue to die in a peaceful setting. Vancouver Hospice cannot move but the proposed development can be rejected.

Thank you for taking my concerns into consideration when you make your decision.

Sincerely  
Dr David G Wong

s.22(1) Personal and  
Confidential

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Sharon Lee s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 04, 2019 8:40 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Saving Vancouver Hospice Society

City of Vancouver, City Clerk's Office  
53 West 12th Avenue, 3rd Floor  
Vancouver, BC, V5Y 1V4.

RE: Vancouver Hospice Society, 4615 Granville Street, Vancouver BC V6H 3M1

Dear City of Vancouver,

We are writing to show the strongest support for the Vancouver Hospice Society on Granville Street. We are deeply distressed to learn of the plans to construct a townhouse development directly adjacent to the Hospice. It's clear that such a project during construction, and if completed, will have profound negative impacts on the Hospice, including its possible closure.

The Hospice provided solace, peace, comfort, and compassionate care to a dear friend who passed away in May 2017 from brain cancer. The Hospice was a life saver for his wife, who would not have been able to cope with caring for her husband during his last days. We miss our friend but take comfort from knowing that he was well cared for during his last days by the kind staff at the Hospice.

We urge the City of Vancouver to please reconsider the proposed townhouse development at 4575 Granville Street. Please safeguard the irreplaceable precious facility that is the Vancouver Hospice Society.

Thank you.

Sharon Lee and Barry Edmonston

s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

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**From:** Elizabeth-Anne Armstrong s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 04, 2019 1:12 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Opposed Re: Application to Rezone 4575 Granville Street from RS5 to CD-1

To Mr. Kelley and Whom it May Concern:

This email is sent in response to the "Application to Rezone 4575 Granville Street from RS5 to CD-1." A development proposal for a property adjacent to the Vancouver Hospice.

Please note my strong opposition to this development proposal.

I am a community health nurse in Vancouver and have intimate experience with our hospices and the people who benefit from them.

In my experience the key elements of a hospice experience are peace and privacy. The impact of the proposed development on these elements was clearly described for you in a letter to you from the Vancouver Hospice Society dated October 22, 2018, (<https://files.constantcontact.com/1494aa47201/089cb977-bf06-46d4-9cf2-431ab835d7f1.pdf>).

I implore you to imagine yourselves in the place of a patient or family member staying at Vancouver Hospice. Imagine sitting in a garden looking at housing instead of trees and sky, imagine others watching your movements from their townhouse windows or imagine strangers watching you say goodbye to a loved one as they are moved into a hearse.

We all deserve peace and privacy at the end of life and the proposed development would severely compromise these most important hospice principles at Vancouver Hospice.

Please do not approve this rezoning proposal.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth-Anne Armstrong

s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Felicia Lee s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 04, 2019 1:04 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Development at 4575 Granville Street, Vancouver, BC

Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

I am writing to express my opposition to the rezoning of a single-family property for a proposed townhouse development to be located adjacent to the Vancouver Hospice. In my opinion, there are not enough hospice beds in Vancouver to service the city and often times patients are placed on waiting lists. With the closure of the Vancouver Hospice, this would represent a loss of 25% of the hospice beds available. As well, the construction of the proposed townhouse development in such close proximity to the Vancouver Hospice would be disruptive and hardly beneficial to those who come to the hospice and only add anxiety and stress for patients and their families during this difficult time. Recently, the mother of a friend of mine was cared for at the Vancouver Hospice and I have been told that she was treated with compassion and dignity before she died. The Vancouver Hospice is essential to the city. Please reconsider and reject this application.

Yours very truly,

Felicia Lee

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**From:** Elvira Lount s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 04, 2019 2:26 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Cc:** Stewart, Kennedy; Carr, Adriane; Fry, Pete; Wiebe, Michael; Hardwick, Colleen; De Genova, Melissa; Kirby-Yung, Sarah; Boyle, Christine; Bligh, Rebecca; Dominato, Lisa  
**Subject:** Vancouver Hospice Society hearing June 11

Dear Mayor and Council;

I'm writing to support the Vancouver Hospice Society in their objections to the development that will directly and severely negatively impact the lives of the hospice patients who are living out their last days in this wonderful and extremely important facility.

Whatever is built near this hospice should fit and conform with the neighbourhood, which in this case is a hospice for the dying. As dated in the Hospice email, "*This development is NOT affordable housing - and will severely disrupt peace, privacy & access for the 150 Vancouver residents (and families) who come to the hospice each year to die.*" The hospice have already "*received calls from concerned family members saying they would not wish their loved ones to spend their final days at our hospice if the development were to be approved.*" So, in all likelihood the hospice will be forced to close.

Furthermore, as the hospice state in their Oct 22, 2018 letter to the GM Gil Kelley "*The duration and intensity of noise resulting from the construction of a 21- unit townhouse development and 32-space underground parking lot will render it impossible to function and provide this basic requirement to hospice care. This would likely result in hospice closure.*"

<https://files.constantcontact.com/1494aa47201/089cb977-bf06-46d4-9cf2-431ab835d7f1.pdf>

What's the social value of allowing the construction of non-affordable townhouses that destroy or negatively impact **in any way** a socially critical hospice for the dying? At what point did we become such a cruel and thoughtless society, purely operating for the benefit of wealthy developers and those who can afford these pricey condos? There are plenty of other sites in the city for developments such as this, and with the market for high end luxury accommodation taking a beating, this development is not worth it!

**Please consider how would you like to spend your last days under such awful conditions?** It's bad enough that the citizens of Vancouver have to deal with continual rampant development and city noise on a daily basis, but at least the City should be able to provide some consideration and respite for the dying.

Perhaps, the City should consider buying this property from the developer and turn it into a park, for the enjoyment of all, or even turn it over to the hospice to be able to expand their own facility? That would be a worthwhile development!

Many thanks,  
Elvira Lount

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**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** H Ouellette s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 04, 2019 1:58 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Community Hospice.

I am writing to express my concern regarding the development of the site North of the Community Hospice at 4615, Granville Street.

I have been a volunteer at the Hospice since it opened, and have been amazed by the care and compassion shown to people during their end stage of life, and support of their families.

This has been possible due in part to the peaceful location behind a large hedge on Granville street, and access to the Hospice from a quiet back lane off Connaught Drive.

Should the requested development go ahead, the meaning and running of the Hospice would be totally under threat, and may even be unable to continue to be a place of privacy and peace for people deserving this at the end of their lives.

As a retired Palliative care R.N. , I am very aware of the need for an increase in Hospice beds in this city, to lessen the demand on hospital beds, and provide a special place for people to die.

Please consider maintaining the current situation at this special place, by not allowing the development to destroy the peace and privacy on the adjoining property.

Yours Sincerely,

A very concerned Joan Ouellette.

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**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Dellie Lidyard s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2019 7:13 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Re: Vancouver Hospice - 29th and Granville

This is in response to the development being proposed adjacent to the above location.

This is the only hospice in Vancouver servicing the west side. This hospice has been providing service, comfort and solace to a lot of families in the midst of emotional crisis. It is very short sighted and very inconsiderate of the city to approve this application in total disregard of the services being provided here.

There is a short list of hospices in the lower mainland, obviously not enough to provide the services needed. Unless you have an alternate plan to locate the hospice in an area where it is conducive to the services provided that will still service the people currently being served, I think this decision is cruel and in total disregard of the interest of the citizens of this city. I live in the area and should I and my family ever need this facility, what options can you offer me?

There are enough multi-family dwellings in the city, must we have this one in this particular location?

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**From:** Mary Matthews s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 29, 2019 4:41 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Public Hearing June 11th

Not sure that I sent this to the correct address last week , so I am sending it again - thank you.

Comment: Public Hearing - June 11th - please do not allow the townhouse development at 4575 Granville St to proceed - the Vancouver Hospice (next door) is an important facility whose future is in jeopardy if this 3.5 storey townhouse is built. There is a need for rental units in Vancouver but other locations are more practical and desirable. Our community hospice is an amazing facility where over 150 people per year receive one-end-life care - it is a peaceful magical caring home which will be disrupted and possibly closed during construction. Once built these 21 rental units will be busy and noisy. The Hospice has spent 5 years establishing this wonderful important facility for patients and their families - support by the community does not exist for the development next door which was evident at the open house in April 2018 and via online petition which received over 5000 signatures. There are so few beds available for hospice care in Vancouver - VHS has 8 of the 36 beds - please don't destroy what has been built and appreciated by so many people over the last 5 years.

Thank you

Mary Matthews

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Stephanie s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 29, 2019 4:38 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** 4575 Granville Street Development

Hello,

I am writing to strongly oppose the rezoning and planned development at 4575 Granville Street. This development neighbours the vital Vancouver hospice which provide 25% (8 of 36 beds) supply of hospice beds in Vancouver. This community facility is a magical facility and is situated with easy access, a quiet environment and the necessary privacy to support the end of life care and bereavement programs so desperately needed in our city. A new development will very much disrupt and disturb the hospice operations and will likely force it's closure. Please stop this proposed development and consider an alternative location.

Thanks for your attention to this!

Stephanie Van Veen

Sent from my iPhone

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Irene Regan s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 30, 2019 3:01 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Granville & Connaught street development

To the City Planning Department,

As a strong supporter of the need to have quality hospice care in our community, I am writing to you to express my strong views against the development of townhomes on Granville and Connaught Street. These units will not be any more affordable than other existing 2-3 bedroom units in the area as the cost of building these units continues to rise. Furthermore the disruption to the existing community will be intolerable. The Vancouver Hospice Home located immediately to the south of this proposed complex will be exposed to extreme noise, air pollution and loss of privacy during the construction phase. Once the units are built, there will continue to be similar stresses to the more than 150 dying patients who spend their remaining days at this home. The families and staff attending those dying will also have to confront issues of difficult access to the home, parking challenges, noise and loss of privacy.

The lane backing Granville Street on the west side is also very narrow and the congestion caused by cars either arriving or leaving both the Hospice Home and the garage of the development will lead to more distress for all involved!

I would encourage the City Planning Department to look at alternative locations for this type of development.

Sincerely yours,

Irene Regan

## Ludwig, Nicole

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**From:** Sandra Crompton s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 30, 2019 3:05 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Save our Community Hospice - Public Hearing, June 11th, 6:00 pm

My husband of 53 years, Doug, was diagnosed with terminal cancer. I looked after him at home following his stay of two months in VGH and his cancer spreading to his spine making him completely bed ridden.

After 6 months I was burned out and Doug moved into Vancouver Hospice. I had to acknowledge that I could either be a 24-hour caregiver looking after him alone at home with community support or return to being his wife and best friend spending our last days together in Hospice where he received 24 hour loving care.

Vancouver Hospice ended being a haven for both of us. Doug was surrounded by caring, knowledgeable staff and wonderful volunteers; as well as being in a peaceful environment that welcomed our family and friends. He died peacefully in Vancouver Hospice on November 25, 2017. I continued to receive loving support during my initial bereavement period through Vancouver Hospice.

However, there is a Public Hearing for the Rezoning Application for 4575 Granville Street being held on June 11, 2019, at 6 pm. A proposal has been submitted to the City of Vancouver under the Interim Rezoning Policy for **Affordable** Housing Choices. This is to rezone a property that is sandwiched between Vancouver Hospice and a single-family residence on the southwest corner of Connaught Drive. The 4 story development will include 21 **market** units (renting at approximately \$3800 for a 3-bedroom unit); 63% of which will be 3 bedroom units and 32-spot underground parking.

Access to the Hospice is via a narrow one-car lane at the back of the properties. This will block the ONLY access for ambulances, hearses, service vehicles, and families coming to the hospice. The Vancouver Hospice has rooms for 8 patients but over a year provides a desperately needed service to 150 individuals and their families who go there each year for end-of-life and bereavement support and care. There are not enough Hospice beds in Vancouver as it is, and therefore is a service to Vancouver that can ill afford to be lost or diminished.

Vancouver Hospice was the dream of a group of individuals who worked hard and long to make it a reality. A number of its programs are run by scores of volunteers, in other words it represents the best of people in Vancouver helping others in need. It is now under the umbrella of Vancouver Coastal Health but the heart of it is still their volunteers.

Please wisely consider this situation that gives high end housing for a few but will severely effect many who desperately need the compassionate end of life support that Vancouver Hospice provides.

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** LYNN ROBINSON s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 30, 2019 3:19 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Is nothing important except money any more? so it seems!

re a proposal to rezone a single-family property & build a 4-storey, 21-unit townhouse development at **4575 Granville Street** directly adjacent to Vancouver Hospice.

With all the real estate available in vancouver and area is it really necessary to designate this space to more construction?

It is truly sad that there is not a lot more empathy, kindness and caring in the world....

Our entire world seems to be based on nothing but the almighty dollar! How sad!

sincerely  
carol lynn robinson  
s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Sally Hatfield s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 30, 2019 3:54 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing

I would like to put forward my opposition to building an apartment next to the existing hospice on Granville St. I can't imagine dealing with the noise of construction while in the last days of life.  
T.A.Hatfield

Sent from my iPad

## Ludwig, Nicole

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**From:** Carrie Warkentin s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 30, 2019 4:06 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Protesting the disruption of hospice services in Vancouver

Hello,

I'm writing to protest the proposal to rezone a single-family property & build a 4-storey, 21-unit townhouse development at **4575 Granville Street** directly adjacent to Vancouver Hospice. This development is **NOT** affordable housing, and will severely disrupt peace, privacy & access for the 150 Vancouver residents - and families - who come to the hospice each year to die. I don't believe it is right to disrupt a peaceful, therapeutic environment for dying patients and their bereaved families, just for the sake of building a huge housing development that is being built to make money for the wealthy. Please consider the rights of people who are suffering and deserve some peace and quiet in their last days and weeks before they die.

Sincerely,

Carrie Warkentin, M.A.

Spiritual Health Practitioner who works daily with patients who nearing the end of their lives, and the distressed families who are suffering along with them  
Providence Health Care



## Ludwig, Nicole

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**From:** Margaret Berthelsen s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 30, 2019 4:11 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Vancouver hospice against development of condo building

I have been a hospice member since its inception. There has been and continues to be an incredible volunteer effort to provide comfort and loving care to those at the end of their lives. The proposed condo development would negate the whole dream of hospice - the end of serenity. Clients, staff and volunteers will all be affected negatively. Please refuse this development.

Margaret Berthelsen

s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Sharon McKibbon s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 10:22 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** [Released from COV quarantine] Proposal to rezone 4575 Granville St.

As a volunteer for Vancouver Hospice Society I am against the proposal to rezone and develop a 4 storey building at the above address.

Reasons: Access to the hospice via the back lane will be blocked during construction: Granville is a busy corridor and inappropriate for ambulances and hearses to be parked when patients arrive or leave.

Disruption to access and tranquility for patients and families. Anyone who has been impacted by construction knows how disruptive and frustrating it is to have large equipment blocking access to your home and noise invading your space. It wears on a healthy active person, imagine the effect on the dignity of patients and their families at end of life.

I feel a 4 storey building overlooking the hospice will take away the privacy it now affords.  
I am concerned the hospice may need to close, meaning fewer available hospice beds in the city.

Sharon McKibbon  
Volunteer at HOB Too charity shop for Vancouver Hospice Society

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Harold Rickson s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2019 4:01 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Re: Proposed Development 4575 Granville Street

The proposed development adjacent to the Vancouver Hospice seems to be a gross over-development of this site, and would bring much disturbance with additional vehicles and many people into close proximity with the Hospice. Construction noise and traffic would also be totally disturbing.

The Vancouver Hospice is a wonderful and much valued part of the community. I have experienced recently the end of life care for a close friend at this Hospice. I can only emphasise that the peaceful environment at the Hospice and immediate surroundings was a truly valuable part of that experience. I cannot believe it is in the community's best interest to destroy the amenity of the Vancouver Hospice, thus threatening it's very existence.

Hal Rickson

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Ludwig, Nicole

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**From:** LA S.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2019 12:16 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Respect our Hospice

Hello

I am requesting sober decision making about keeping our hospice in a quiet residential neighbourhood with houses, not an apartment. Terminally sick people need to have peace and quiet as they are dying. Please have conscience and respect, with dignity, people who are dying. Having new construction next to the hospice, a big apartment with congestion and disruption, is noisy, disrespectful and stressful.

Please stand up for our friends and family members to die in comfort - let this be our legacy and advocate for those, who have done so much for us, by allowing them to rest in peace without chaos and encroachment at their door step.

Do not allow the development of an apartment next to the hospice.

Sincerely,

s.22(1) Personal and Confidential



Sent from my iPhone

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Gail Brown s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 04, 2019 5:14 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Vancouver Hospice - Hearing June 11th

Mayor and City Council

I am opposed to the re-zoning and proposed development of a 4 storey townhouse adjacent to the Vancouver Hospice.

This development will cause continued disruption to the peace and privacy of patients and families who come to the hospice for end of life care. In addition of the noise and disruption during the building process, traffic in the laneway will be an ongoing concern. The narrow laneway (one car width) will not accommodate the traffic and congestion caused by residents of 21 units, most of whom will have 2 cars trying to get in and out of the parking garage which will share the laneway with the hospice.

This proposed development is NOT affordable housing and the zoning should not be changed from single family to accommodate it.

Regards  
Gail Brown

s.22(1) Personal and  
Confidential

Vancouver City Council  
53 W. 12<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Vancouver, B.C.  
V5Y 1V4

June 1, 2019

Re: Public Hearing to rezone property adjacent to Vancouver Hospice

Dear Mayor Stewart and Council Members,

I am concerned about the proposed rezoning of a single family property at 4575 Granville St. to allow the building of a 4 storey 21 unit townhouse adjacent to Vancouver Hospice.

Several years ago, as a Spiritual Care Consultant, I offered support to residents, families and staff at May's Place and Cottage Hospice. I know from experience that setting and atmosphere is most important to those who come to a hospice to live, one day at a time, as fully as they can, their last days/weeks. Peace and privacy, as well as excellent care from staff and volunteers, support them and their loved ones during their time there.

For this reason, I am concerned that the building proposed adjacent to their home will not only be very disruptive due to the noise of construction for a year (or whatever time it would take to construct such a building), but that having so many residents living so close to the Hospice could impact their privacy, peace and possibly safety. I have toured this facility and am very impressed with the care that went into the planning of this home and the many supports it offers all those who come there for their final days.

Please consider this proposal in light of the issues being raised by staff, families, volunteers and the Hospice Board of Directors. These are valid concerns.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

Respectfully,  
Carol Molley

s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

To whom it may concern

I am the widow of a wonderful man who died 2 years ago in hospice care at this Vancouver Hospice society site. I cannot say enough about the wonderful, expert medical care, emotional support, and genuine love that the staff of this Hospice gave to my husband and to me and our family, while he was there.

My husband's death was profoundly painful for me. I can say unequivocally, that he would not have passed on with the dignity, care and peacefulness that he deserved - and nor would I have experienced the peace of mind I needed, if not for being fully supported and cared for by Hospice Doctors, Nurses, Social Workers and all others at Vancouver Hospice.

This hospice must be left alone and to stand as it is, without disruption. It must not be interfered with by this 21 Unit townhouse construction project being put forward. This kind of construction will clearly disrupt and force this essential Hospice to be shut down. We do not even now, have enough hospices!

If anyone has experienced a loved one dying and being cared for in a quiet hospice setting, they will know that the care offered is uniquely designed for those dying. It is absolutely necessary for those that are passing on to be afforded the care, peaceful surroundings and dignity during their last days. The process of dying must be kept sacred for all involved. Hospices are integral to the loving care we and those who are dying really need.

It is also most important that our society remain as a compassionate and caring as possible. People's essential needs must be placed above financial gain. Our governing city councils and those that grant building permits must also hold a caring consciousness that upholds what is just, right and ethical. It appears this 21 Unit townhouse proposal is not even being proposed for lower, affordable rental housing.

I realize that there are those who will not recognise the sanctity of dying with dignity in hospice care, because they have not been interested in it, or they may not have been closely touched by death's presence.

In closing, for me and others who are writing in for the sake of our loved ones who cannot speak on their own behalf and/or who have already passed on – we ask that you make the ethical, right, just and now critical decision, and decline the proposal to build this 21 townhouse unit next door to the Vancouver Hospice Society location. We need to keep this invaluable Hospice open!

Thank you most kindly for your careful consideration,

Mrs. Lilliana Merler,

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May 31 2019

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** lynne margetts s.22(1) Personal and  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2019 12:13 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Multi residence public hearing June11th

I'm writing about the proposed development at 4575 Granville St directly adjacent to Vancouver Hospice.

This development is NOT affordable housing - and will severely disrupt peace, privacy & access for the 150 Vancouver residents who come to the hospice each year to die, and their families.

This development also is not appropriate for a quiet residential street whose owners value and pay for their peace and quiet.

I personally know some patients who lived in the hospice and benefited from the close proximity to friends, family and the peaceful gardens.

I'm adamantly Opposed to this development!!!!

Regards

Lynne Margetts

Sent from my iPhone



**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Sue Hurd s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2019 12:26 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Subject: proposal to re-zone a single-family property & build a 21...

Subject: proposal to re-zone a single-family property & build a 21-unit townhouse at 4575 Granville St.

I **strongly oppose** the idea of the development of 21 townhomes to overshadow a very important place immediately next door, purposely built to serve the community of Vancouver.

My heart is with this special hospice which the community worked so hard to build, raising millions to provide the right care in the right place for our very vulnerable citizens. The developer has made plans for these 21 townhomes with a blatant disregard for the hospice, and its occupants. The effects of such a proposal will have devastating effect on the dying and their loved-ones. The feeling of peace and serenity will be taken away.

The traffic along the laneway will become a nightmare: absolutely impossible during construction and afterwards for the nurses, doctors, family members and friends of the patients who may well have difficulty finding parking with the increased density of a previously quiet, serene neighbourhood.

As a new council wanting to represent the best interests of your constituents , I hope you will take a fresh look at a proposal which will be so detrimental in so many ways to the hospice and the surrounding community. This development threatens the closure of a hospice which is one of only four hospices in the whole of Vancouver. If the hospice closes, it will reduce the availability of beds for the dying even further. The city should be working to increase, not reduce the number of hospices being built in Vancouver.

If the developer wants serve our city and community in the best possible way, my suggestion is that he is encouraged to offer to sell the property to the hospice. It would be so much more appropriate use of the land for supporting our aging population than high-end rental townhomes. The townhouse proposal will be better suited in many other locations.

Respectfully,

Susan Hurd  
s.22(1) Personal and Confidential



Sent from my iPad

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Joanne Mcbrinn s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2019 2:26 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Vancouver hospice society hearing June 11

Dear Mayor and Council

I am writing this email to express my concerns over the higher density proposed development directly next to the already existing West side Hospice Over the years I watched the dedication, compassion and hard work of the volunteers in this community to establish the much needed Hospice which to date has helped over 150 patients and their families face what, for all of us, is the most difficult transition we all will make A few years ago I lost a very dear friend who spent her last days in this peaceful supportive facility She had no family but worked in health care, paid her taxes, and supported her community here for almost forty years The process of dying is unaware of our age, race, or class but surely our society should be judged by how we treat and respect our most vulnerable To subject this facility to the noise, turmoil and loss of privacy which that higher density project would produce both during a lengthy building period and when in existence, would be cruel, insensitive and disrespectful I fully appreciate the need for densification in this city but whether for profit or low income housing, surely we should look at what is already in existence and assess its function This city also needs places of peace and areas of low density I appeal to you, our representative, to support our request to spare the environment around this Hospice so it can continue with its mission to offer this very important service to our community

Yours respectfully  
J A McBrinn

Sent from my iPhone

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Maria Totsikas s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2019 3:20 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** 4575 Granville Street Opposition  
**Attachments:** Letter to council 2018 (1).pdf

To whom it may concern,

Please see my attached letter dated November 20th 2018. I had previously sent this letter then and I stand by my words now.

I would like to add that this would also negatively impact the bereavement programs that are supported by the Vancouver Hospice Society that are offered to all residents of Vancouver and not just Vancouverites who had loved ones in care there. I have accessed these services on many occasions in my grief journey and I know I am not alone.

Thank you for your time.

Respectfully,

Maria Totsikas  
s.22(1) Personal and  
Confidential

November 20<sup>th</sup> 2018

Dear Honorable Council Members; Ms. Bligh, Ms. Boyle, Ms Carr, Ms. De Genova, Ms. Dominato, Mr. Fry, Ms. Hardwick, Ms. Kirby-Yung, Ms. Swanson and Mr. Wiebe,

**RE:** Rezoning Application 4575 Granville Street (From Rs-5 District to CD-1 District)

My name is Maria Totsikas. I am writing to you today with my concerns on the above named application that is located next to the Vancouver Hospice Society. I lost my mother last year after a short illness and she spent the last 4 months of her life at the Vancouver Hospice Society. I am asking you to use your platform to reconsider approving this proposal.

My family took great comfort in knowing my mother would be in a quiet neighbourhood home that offered a homelike environment inside as well as outside. I feel that should this application go ahead it would destroy the very thing that made this hospice so appealing. Having a 3 story or more development next door would completely change the light and outdoor space on the north side of the hospice grounds. The entire north side of the hospice would be left in darkness from this development. Any sky views on this side of the hospice would be gone. It would also greatly affect the unique privacy offered to the back of the hospice. This is where I was last with my mom. As the funeral home came to take her this was an intensely private and sensitive time for my family; so had I looked to my right and saw someone in their living room or balcony looking down on me at that very moment would have been even more devastating. The noise alone that would naturally occur in such a development would certainly disrupt the serene calm that you have when you are there.

If this application is approved I fear for the future of the hospice and how this could affect the citizens of Vancouver seeking end of life care. I doubt there would be a way for the hospice to remain in operation with construction, and Vancouver would lose these beds for the duration of the project. What too would happen to the staff?

I understand the need for additional housing in Vancouver, but at what cost? This would be a huge blow to the Vancouver Hospice Society that has planned and built this home in such a thoughtful manner. They do not have the option to pick up and leave to a more suitable location. I believe this development can and should seek another location, and that the site remains zoned for single family dwelling.

I appreciate you taking the time to read my concerns, and hope that as you think about this what you would want for your own family's end of life care and put yourself in my and others before me and after me's shoes.

Sincerely,  
s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

Maria Totsikas

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** s.22(1) Personal  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2019 4:09 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Vancouver Hospice

Mayor/Council

I am a neighbour and supporter of the Vancouver Hospice Society. We have donated to the Hospice for the past few years after my Mother's untimely death. Unfortunately the Hospice was not up and running in time to help my Mother. After having experienced the lack of public and private support during my mother's decline I felt compelled to support the Hospice that others might receive the help that we did not.

I frequently walk down the lane which acts as the entrance to the Hospice. There is never any traffic and it is remarkably quiet considering Granville St is so near. It would truly be a shame if this quiet lane became a heavily used entrance to the proposed housing development next door.

Please consider the peace of the unfortunate folks nearing the end of their days.

Regards,

Robert Errington

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Inge Paynter s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2019 4:19 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** proposed re-zoning annd construction at 4575 Granville

Dear Sir or Madam,

I appeal to the City of Vancouver not to proceed with the proposed re-zoning and authorization of construction at 4575 Granville Street. I am a member of the Vancouver Hospice Society; I expect to die there, and I consider that this proposed construction would be very disruptive.

Yours sincerely,

Daniel Molgat

s.22(1) Personal and Confidential



**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Loretta Evans s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2019 4:37 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Rezoning Application for 4575 Granville

I would like to express my deep concern and opposition to the development next door to The Hospice. Many many volunteers contributed time and money to see the hospice built for the community. It needs to remain a peaceful environment for patients, families and friends who reside and visit.

Access to the peaceful outdoor spaces is important at life's end. It is also important for Ambulances to have easy access to the Hospice. It is already a very awkward laneway.

The noise and traffic concerns from 21 townhouses is of concern. These are not going to be affordable housing units. There are far too many units for the lot size. This is a terrible precedent for Vancouver. Density has not brought housing rentals prices down. Someone is wanting to make a lot of money where it is totally inappropriate.

Thank you for listening.  
Loretta and Richard Evans

Sent from my iPad

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Larson Q s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2019 4:51 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Proposed. Development at 4575 Granville St.

To Kennedy Stuart (mayor) and all city councillors,

Vancouver Hospice provides a critical service to all residents of Vancouver. It was built by the community for the community. Building 21 units with nearly 100 people next door is not compatible with the needs of the dying - a calm, quiet environment where they can spend their final days with their family and friends. Also, although it is being built under the affordable housing policy the City is allowing the units to be rented at market value. It is highly unlikely my daughters will ever be able to pay \$3750.00 per month for a 3 bedroom apartment. Please do not approve this development!

Sincerely,

Tom Larson



**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Rowena Huberman s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2019 5:10 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Community hospice

To whom it may concern:

Last year my husband and I attended a meeting at the church so that the developers could show us what was planned. The hundreds of people who attended all voiced major concerns about this development at 4575 Granville. The majority of us all voted "no" for this development. There were many issues raised.....traffic, noise, density, and most importantly, the concern for the people who are living out the end of their days at the Community Hospice. Did the City not pay attention to the many concerns and the will of the people in this neighborhood?

Here we go, again.....

We are definitely opposed to this development. Come on guys, listen .

Rowena and. David Huberman

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**From:** Annie s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2019 5:39 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Re Save the Vancouver Hospice Society

To Whom It May Concern,

Please do not build a townhouse complex adjacent to the Vancouver Hospice Society. My mother passed away recently in this hospice. She was able to spend the last days of her life in a quiet, peaceful and serene room, where the staff treated her with respect and dignity. The entire experience in the hospice was calming and loving when it could have been extremely stressful. If there is a lot of construction surrounding the hospice, that would threaten the entire concept of a hospice experience. I urge you to find another location to build this townhouse complex. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Annie Tai

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Stefanie s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2019 7:53 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Vancouver Hospice

To whom it may concern:

I was informed by a friend that the Vancouver Hospice will be severely impacted by a proposed 21-unit housing development that is to go up right next door to the Hospice. Should such a project move forward, it will have a devastating impact on the Hospice, both during the extended and noisy building period and after its completion. For example, parking—already a challenge for Hospice visitors—will become even more difficult not only during the construction period but also upon completion of the housing unit.

My husband passed away in the hospice in North Vancouver a few years ago and his passing was made tolerable because of the caring and friendly staff, the peaceful and quiet surroundings, and the knowledge that dying with dignity and peace is possible. I sincerely hope that the City of Vancouver will allow for such essential conditions to remain possible for the Vancouver Hospice. After all, we all get there some day!

In the regrettable eventuality that the City does decide to move forward with the proposed housing development, I would urge that an extension to the Hospice be a condition of development approval. There are, quite simply, too few facilities like this in the city. This would be an ideal opportunity for the City to show leadership in the care of those most vulnerable among us.

Sincerely,

Stefanie Reuter

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Susanna Hurd s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 05, 2019 9:11 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** proposal to re-zone a single-family property & build a 21-unit townhouse at 4575 Granville St.

Subject: Subject: proposal to re-zone a single-family property & build a 21-unit townhouse at 4575 Granville St

I am writing with regards to the plans to build a townhouse unit next to the Vancouver Hospice. I strongly oppose this rezoning.

A hospice is a peaceful space for people to be cared for in the last days or weeks of their lives. I am a physiotherapist and have worked on the palliative ward at St. Paul's hospital, and I am acutely aware of just how important and meaningful it is for people in this stage of their life to have a calm, peaceful and comfortable space to rest and spend the remainder of their lives. I have had the opportunity to visit the Vancouver Hospice and it is a beautiful and serene space.

I have serious concerns about the short term and long term impacts this proposed development will have on the Hospice. I cannot imagine the negative impact the construction alone will have, and even once the townhouses are established, the increased alley traffic and parking issues will have a significant impact on patients, family members and staff.

I strongly urge you to reconsider rezoning this neighbouring property. The hospice was built intentionally in a single family neighbourhood and this should not change. I understand the need for increased density but this is not the right property for it.

Kind regards,  
Susanna Johnston

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**From:** marjorie lee s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 4:18 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Rezoning application at 4575 Granville Street

To Whom It May Concern:

I strongly object to the rezoning application at 4575 Granville Street.

If approved, the development will disrupt the peace and privacy of patients staying at the Vancouver Hospice Society. It will also result in the closure of the hospice and loss of hospital beds for the dying as well as bereavement programs for the grieving.

There are more than enough developments going on but not nearly enough hospices for the dying.

Yours truly

Marjorie Lee  
s.22(1) Personal and Confidential



### Mayor and Council Feedback

Case number: 101012912840

Case created: 2019-05-24, 11:48:00 AM

### Incident Location

Address: 311 UNADDRESSED LOCATION, VANCOUVER, VAN 311

Address2:

Location name:

Original Address: 311 UNADDRESSED LOCATION

### Contact Details

Name: Ms MARY MATTHEWS

Address: s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

Address2:

Phone: s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

Email: s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

Alt. Phone:

Preferred contact method: Either

### Request Details

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

Public Hearing - June 11th - please do not allow the townhouse development at 4575 Granville St to proceed - the Vancouver Hospice (next door) is an important facility whose future is in jeopardy if this 3.5 storey townhouse is built. There is a need for rental units in Vancouver but other locations are more practical and desirable. Our community hospice is an amazing facility where over 150 people per year receive one-end-life care - it is a peaceful magical caring home which will be disrupted and possibly closed during construction. Once built these 21 rental units will be busy and noisy. The Hospice has spent 5 years establishing this wonderful important facility for patients and their families - support by the community does not exist for the development next door which was evident at the open house in April 2018 and via online petition which received over 5000 signatures. There are so few beds available

for hospice care in Vancouver - VHS has 8 of the 36 beds - please don't destroy what has been built and appreciated by so many people over the last 5 years.

Thank you

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| 2.  | Department:  | Mary Matthews                     |
| 3.  | Neighbourhood:   | Mayor and Council                 |
| 4.  | Were any other cases or service requests created as a result of this feedback? | Shaughnessy                       |
| 6.  | (Don't ask, just record - did caller indicate they want a call back?):         | No                                |
| 7.  | Council Item:  | Opposed                           |
| 8.  | Select category:   | Planning, Zoning, and Development |
| 10. | Specific area of concern:  | 4575 Granville Street             |
| 11. | Author Type:   | Individual                        |
| 12. | Correspondence Type:   | Original Feedback                 |
| 13. | Original Client:   | Mary Matthews                     |
| 14. | Original Email address:  | s.22(1) Personal and Confidential |

#### Additional Details

Public Hearing Item. Sent to publichearing@vancouver.ca. Do not add to report. Delete.

#### Map and Photo

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**From:** Shane Thornton s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 5:21 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Vancouver Hospice

I am 100% opposed to the proposed development that will affect the Hospice. Please do not sacrifice a peaceful and dignified death from the over 150 people who are using this service every year. The impact on family and loved ones needs to be considered as well. The hospices offer them a tranquil place to support their loved ones who are dying and I have no doubt, helps to ease their pain and loss due to the incredible people who volunteer and work at the hospice.

Please do not Patrice the development. You too may use this wonderful facility one day for yourself or a loved one.

Thank you so much for listening.

Sincerely,  
Shane Thornton  
s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

Sent from my iPhone



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**From:** Shirley Hebenton s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 10:10 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** 4575 Granville Street

We strongly oppose a development such as this next door to the hospice at 4575 Granville Street. Aside from the many reasons against siting it next to the hospice we are very dismayed to think that Granville Street will become another just long line of boxy developments, destroying the neighbourhood, as has been happening on Cambie and Oak and now King Edward.

Please stop this until a city wide plan has been developed so everyone is sure this is the direction the city wants to go.  
Shirley and Sholto Hebenton

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**From:** Clare Philips s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 10:59 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Re Vancouver Hospice on Granville Steet

I would like to make a strong appeal against the proposal to rezone a single family property and build a 4 story / 21 unit townhouse development directly adjacent the Vancouver Hospice.

Here are my reasons .

1. I work on a regularly basis in the garden of this Hospice. Usually I am gardening outside the patient rooms on the south side. This has allowed me to see and feel the peaceful, respectful and humane way everyone working inside and outside this facility behave towards those lucky enough to receive their end of life care there. EVERY effort is made to provide for each person and their family's needs . We have a limited number of hospice for a massively increasing Vancouver population and a demography that provides a large number of people who need such care. The is Hospice is a precious facility and should not be damaged or encroached upon in any way.

2. I have chosen to work in this hospice for personal reasons.

My beloved talented and spirited daughter died 6 years ago at 39 after a courageous 2 year battle with metastasized aggressive triple negative breast cancer. She was well established in a professional career at a think tank . My husband and I moved to live near her ,and helped her through out her valiant struggle . She opted for every level of treatment at the maximum level her body could manage .....But ultimately ..with the cancer in her spinal fluid ,there was no further treatment possible. She went into a hospice near her home .

On the second day there, she told us " At last I feel at peace"...she fell asleep and slept for nearly 48 hrs in her small simple private room over the garden .She was then prepared to have hospice at home which we undertook for a number of weeks ...with daily visits from her hospice team. It was by far the best medical and personal treatment she had in the whole terrible struggle she so courageously fought.

There are no words to tell you of our individual and family loss. It never will end .

But I wish to impress upon each of you from my most distressing history with my daughter, that each of you making this current decision about the Vancouver Hostile needs to think hard about the importance of a facility that is doing a superb job . It should be provided with your total support to continue to do so without interruption or interference. PLEASE make this happen. Consider what you would want for your children , wife , husband ..self....

Sincerely  
Clare Philips

Sent from my iPad

Subject: Proposal to rezone and build a 21 unit townhouse development at 4575 Granville St.

As volunteers at Vancouver Hospice Society, located at 4615 Granville St. we are in the neighbourhood of 4575 Granville St. several times during each week.

Adding a 21 unit development on this single family city lot at 4575 Granville St. is a neighbourhood disrupter, or perhaps a neighbourhood destroyer. It will dramatically change the nature of this neighbourhood. So many residents and their friends /extended families coming and going down the lane will significantly increase traffic, noise and congestion.

We ask you to reject this proposal for rezoning and building (for what we now understand is NOT even affordable housing) so that the ambiance of this neighbourhood can be maintained. We hope that our hospice can continue to serve people in their dying days in peace and quiet. We feel the environment of our hospice is in jeopardy. We worry that it may even destroy our ability to continue to offer quality hospice care.

Yours truly,

Stephen and Virginia Mulhall

s.22(1) Personal and Confidential



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**From:** Louise Ries s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 1:29 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Vancouver Hospice - development

I am writing to voice my concern over the proposed development beside the Vancouver Hospice. The zoning is presently single family I believe, and I think it should stay that way. The traffic along Granville Street seems to go at free-way speeds as it is. If this development went ahead, it would surely affect the Hospice negatively. More traffic, all the construction noise, etc. I beg you not to approve it. Perhaps it could be sub-divided into two or three lots, but certainly not what is proposed.

Thank you,

Louise Ries  
s.22(1) Personal and  
Confidential

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**From:** Suzanne Douglas s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 2:45 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Cc:** s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Subject:** Saving the Vancouver Hospice

To The Public Hearing and The Developers,

I can't believe that a development of this extent next to the Vancouver Hospice is even being considered...

As a fourth generation proud Vancouverite I have supported growth in our beautiful city but there needs to be thought given to what is important to achieve a balance. We need to have controls on the density and in this situation it makes no sense to approve this type of construction in what has always been a single family area. While there is need to increase living space, this huge development will have such an enormous impact on one of the most important facilities in our city.

I have been a volunteer worker at the Vancouver Hospice helping with the garden before the building was even opened. The people I work with are so dedicated to this ongoing project and we have created a beautiful and tranquil environment for people and their families during the end of life situations. On several occasions while working in the garden I have been approached by family members to say thank you and what it has meant to be in such an amazing place. Every room in the Hospice provides a lovely quiet room for the patient but also space for family to stay over and a private outside area in which to enjoy the peace and beauty of nature.

The staff are outstanding and we should be so grateful that such a sanctuary is available in our city for our citizens during such a difficult time. The planning of that building has been done with every thought to comfort and privacy while also integrating into the neighbourhood.

The adjacent construction would totally destroy the meaning and peace of the Hospice. We should protect and treasure a place such as the Vancouver Hospice where our citizens are able to spend their finale days.

I can't even really express how strongly I oppose this huge development and my concern for the impact it will have.

Yours truly,

Suzanne Douglas

## Ludwig, Nicole

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**From:** Barbara Gauthier s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 2:26 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Development at 4575 Granville Street

I am totally opposed to the proposed development at 4575 Granville Street .

I have lost two husbands who have required end of life care. I am well acquainted at a personal level of the needs each required . A commonality for both was quiet and serenity where they could reflect and converse, however weak their voices , as their loved ones leaned in close to hear dying words .

Because of this I have become quite involved in the fund - raising arm of the Hospice through their store on West 41 st. Most of the volunteers are committed to hospice care because of their prior experience in the passing of a loved one . They have worked tirelessly for over a decade to raise funds and make the Hospice a serene and peaceful home for the dying .

The noise and disruption environmentally to the Hospice will very much interfere with the serenity needed in hospice care. At the moment I have a home being constructed immediately to the north of me across my lane. I have endured the construction noise of electrical saws , hammers , jack hammering , big equipment deliveries etc . now for close to 3 months . I can reason, that this too will pass , and I will find some quiet in my neighborhood again . This is not a luxury the dying have. They only die once . Let us give them the serenity, peace and compassion they need .

Sincerely ,

Barbara Gauthier ,  
s.22(1) Personal and Confidential



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**From:** Lorisa Schouela s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 2:05 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Cc:** VHS Director; Corry Chaplin  
**Subject:** proposed townhouse development at 4575 Granville St

I have served as a volunteer at Vancouver Hospice since 2013. I value the compassionate end-of-life service that Vancouver Hospice Society is providing for the community. It is a place of peace and tranquility for those who have chosen this home to spend the last few months, weeks or days of their lives. So much care has been taken to make this home a place of beauty and calm. For instance, each private room overlooks a small, private garden graced with flowers and shrubs planted by our volunteers.

The proposed development of 21 townhouse units adjacent to the hospice over a two-year construction period will dramatically jeopardize the tranquility enjoyed by our vulnerable residents. The ability of ambulances, hearses, service vehicles and families vehicles to enter the hospice parking area just off o the narrow back lane will be severely impeded if this development is approved.

I believe that the rights of Vancouver citizens in need of end-of-life care must be taken into consideration when making development decisions of this magnitude, after all, there are many development opportunities all over the city but only a handful of hospices where people can die in peace and dignity. I hope that the City of Vancouver makes the right choice.

Thank you for your attention.

Lorys Schouela  
Volunteer at Vancouver Hospice

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Confidential

Ludwig, Nicole

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**From:** Joan Sharman s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 2:00 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Rezoning of 4575 Granville St

I have been a volunteer for 12 years to raise money to build and support a much needed hospice in Vancouver. As you know it has been a wonderful home away from home for people at the end of their lives.

Now I volunteer now at the HOB, Hospice Opportunity Boutique in Kerrisdale, which sells used clothes and has many volunteers and regular customers. The community is very upset over the development proposal that will impact the hospice so negatively. They can't understand why a condo development would be built so close to a hospice impacting privacy, noise control, traffic congestion. To have a hospice is very important to everyone and it is important that it continues in peace and quiet.

Thanks you for listening.  
Regards, Joan Sharman

Sent from my iPad



To whom this concern,

June 02/  
2019

Re: 4 storey proposal to adjacent  
Vancouver Hospice  
4575 granville Street.

My name is Cathy Vasek and  
I strongly oppose construction  
adjacent to the Vancouver Hospice on  
4575 granville Street.

My reasons are as follows:

My husband passed away a year ago.  
Since then, I have had "touch  
Healing" sessions, "individual counselling"  
and "group counselling". I cannot  
overstate how beneficial these  
services were to my mental well  
being. There is nothing worse in life  
than to lose "The love of your life".  
I cannot imagine having these

services disrupted by chain  
saws + ongoing construction. (I  
imagine for years) I was also witness  
to many families coming in and  
out of this wonderful facility.  
This is a quiet oasis in the city  
for families to grieve and individuals  
to have their last breath.  
I hope things will stay the same.

Sincerely,  
Cathy Varsek

s.22(1) Personal and Confidential



**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** James Boyle s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Friday, June 07, 2019 8:48 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** 4575 Granville St.

Hello.

I am writing to let you know that I am strongly opposed to the development proposed at the above address. There is a hospice next door and the quiet enjoyment of families in the hospice and access to it will be completely disrupted, during and after development. Don't do it.

James Boyle  
s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

## Ludwig, Nicole

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**From:** s.22(1) Personal and  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 9:36 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Re Proposed development adjacent to Vancouver Hospice

Hello

This is most distressing to me. I have been involved with various hospices in Vancouver - May's Place, Cottage Hospice, and in the past few years the Vancouver Hospice Home. It is called a home for a reason - it is a comfy, peaceful and compassionate place to spend one's last days. It allows the dying who are not able to be cared for at their home to come somewhere that is a home away from home. The Hospice is also beneficial in that it takes a great burden off the hospital system. One thing I know for sure is that when my time comes, if I can no longer be at home, I would want to go to the Hospice Home. Anyone would prefer that to a hospital bed!

What a pity if the Hospice Home is forced to shut down, for that is probably what will have to happen, as the environment will change drastically. It took many years of dedication from many people to get the Hospice up and running and it has become an integral part of the neighbourhood.  
What a terrible blot on the record of City Hall to ok this development.

Thank you for listening.  
Carol Givton

## Ludwig, Nicole

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**From:** Marne O'Flaherty Wills s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 9:40 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** 4575 Granville Street - letter of opposition

To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed townhouse unit at 4575 Granville Street. This property is located by the Vancouver Hospice which serves as a peaceful respite for those nearing their final days on our beautiful planet. In the interests of the hospice patients and their families, I ask that this proposed development is not passed. Such a development would surely disrupt the peace, access and security of this special place.

Best, Marne

Marne O'Flaherty Wills  
s.22(1) Personal and  
Confidential

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Nora Kelly s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 7:51 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** RE: 4575 Granville St

To The Mayor and Councillors:

I am writing regarding the Vancouver Hospice. The hospice at 4575 Granville provides an essential service to the residents of this city. There are few hospice beds here, and an increasing population of seniors. We need it. We do NOT need another condo building priced beyond the budget of most households. Building more high-priced units has no social value. The hospice cares for people and their families at what is often the hardest time of their lives. The choice is clear.

Sincerely,

Nora Kelly  
s.22(1)  
Personal and Confidential

## Ludwig, Nicole

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**From:** Timothy Turner s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 6:43 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Hospice vs. Townhouse Development

Dear City of Vancouver Council and Planning Department

Have you ever had a family member spend the last remaining days of their life in the warm embrace of hospice care?

If not, maybe you or more accurately, they, will be so lucky when that time comes.

Your days are numbered. All of our days are numbered. Hospice Care is one of the most human, loving, gentle and kind end of life forms of care that one could ever experience.

Both for the dying patient and the family.

A 21 unit townhouse development at 4575 Granville Street, next door to the existing Hospice home is an affront to the basic moral and societal needs of our City.

How dare a property purchaser try to minimize their poor choice in property purchasing...and failed ability to flip property at a significant profit...choose to circumvent the rules and attempt to convince the City to re-zone the property to allow for such density next to the hospice.

The City's job is not to bail out poor buying decisions or provide a profitable exit strategy for a flawed property flip. Let the cards fall with the owners of the property and let them make a reduced profit on their purchase as everyone else has to endure when they buy a property.

There is no guarantee of a huge profit for anyone. Property purchases involve risk. The City is not in the business of cozying up to developers to assist them or bail them out.

Any threat to the Hospice- which this proposed development clearly possesses- increases traffic, parking, noise, tranquility, and harmony both during construction and afterwards... threatens its very existence.

I suggest that you seriously consider the detriment to the Hospice and the loss to the City of such needed care should the Hospice be forced to close.

Thank you for your consideration. Feel free to call me with any questions or additional input.

Tim Turner  
s.22(1) Personal and Confidential

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Janice Oakley s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 6:00 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Granville St Rezoning application: public hearing June 11

To whom this may concern,

I would like to voice my opposition to the proposed town house development positioned beside the Vancouver Hospice on Granville St. In all of Vancouver there are very few beds available with such important care for those at the end of life as well as for their families. This isn't about 'not in my backyard' but 'not in the backyard of the dying'.

I hope that you keep this concern central to the decision-making and urge the developer down the road anywhere.

Thank you,

Janice Oakley  
concerned citizen



**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** rossboyle s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 5:50 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** 4575 Granville development - next to Hospice

We are opposed to the development of unaffordable housing next to the neighbourhood hospice on Granville. This is the WRONG LOCATION. Any other property in Vancouver would be a better location.

Please vote NO...the families, patients and staff and volunteers will be negatively impacted if this goes ahead.

Thank you

Tessa Ross

## Ludwig, Nicole

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**From:** Anne L Boyle s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 5:47 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** Granville Hospice

Hello – I am very opposed to allowing a large development next to the Granville Hospice. The noise, traffic and disruption to the patients, staff and families will likely create the need to shut down. This “affordable housing” development could be done ANYWHERE in Vancouver – why at this location?

You have the power to change this.

Please vote no.

Anne Boyle

**Ludwig, Nicole**

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**From:** Cathleen Rowlette s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 06, 2019 5:39 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Cc:** 'Catherine Taylor'  
**Subject:** Proposed Building next to the Vancouver Hospice on Granville St.

To Whom it may Concern,

I just heard an advocate for the proposed new construction next to the Vancouver Hospice on Granville St., and was appalled by the shallowness with which serious concerns were addressed.

**Opaque windows to preserve privacy? Really?**

**Bamboo to ensure families saying that final good bye to their loved ones are not stared at? Really?**

**Moving parking 150 feet so hearses, ambulances and families can access the Hospice? Really?**

**Making sure jackhammers don't start before 7:00 am? Really? No doubt the staff will try to make sure all peaceful deaths occur by 6:59 am.**

I fear this is just one more example of the city caving to developers, although the interviewee assured us that no developer was involved...just a neighbourhood family. Perhaps we could have a bicycle lane in front of both buildings eliminating even more parking. Who cares!

I have been volunteering for the Hospice Society since the day our first HOB opened to start raising money for our Hospice. I am heartbroken to think those many, many years of hard work by me and many others could possibly be diminished if the Hospice has to close.

Please, really try and imagine the impact this development will have on dying people and the people who care about them.

As a council, you have a chance to show that you can actually show compassion and recognize efforts that do not involve making money.

It would go a long way towards erasing our memories of damage done by the previous council.

Sincerely,

**Cathleen Rowlette**  
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