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From: Michelle C s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Friday, September 27, 2019 3:51 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Re: 3429-3469 Fraser Street

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Hi there can you please retract my previous email commenting on the 3429-3469 Fraser Street rezoning and replace it with the following.

Thank you

Michelle

Mayor Stewart and Council
City of Vancouver
453 W 12th Avenue
Vancouver, BC V5Y 1V4

Re: 3429-3469 Fraser Street Rezoning

Dear Mayor Stewart and Council,

I am writing in strong support for the application at 3429-3469 Fraser Street. My partner and I do not live in the Riley Park community however, when we moved here two years ago as students, we know how hard it is to find affordable rental housing in this city.

I believe that it is important to not only hear from existing residents in an area, but to hear from people who may be potential residents and are often not included as part of these conversations.

When you walk along Fraser Street, you notice that there are very few pedestrians. The neighbourhood looks deserted and many stores are closed down.

The area is connected through transit but is relatively low density due to the abundance of single-family homes. The transition to mixed developments offers more opportunities for renters by creating housing that is more affordable. The increased traffic then sustains local businesses. Residents and retailers together will help animate the streets of the Fraser corridor.

Furthermore, this project fits the profile of our community as it supplies both rental and family-oriented homes. It provides housing to incoming retail workers, and families that wish to send

their children to nearby schools, such as Charles Dickens Elementary School and Sir Charles Tupper Secondary School.

Therefore, I urge the Mayor and Council to approve this application as it would be just one more project that will help forward the building of rental housing that is desperately needed in our city.

Sincerely,

Michelle Cuomo

Mayor Stewart and Council
City of Vancouver
453 W 12th Avenue
Vancouver, BC V5Y 1V4

Re: 3429-3469 Fraser Street Vancouver

Dear Mayor Stewart and Council,

I am a homeowner on Fraser Street and am writing in strong support for the proposal.

The housing crisis of Vancouver calls for the immediate action of City Council to approve projects like this which provide purpose-built rental units, for individuals as well as families. This project allows new residents to benefit from the existing infrastructure such as our community centre, the schools, daycare centres, and local businesses. Council should be working harder to encourage these applications and support walkable, sustainable communities.

The proposed mixed-use building supports the community's growth through supplying a mix of commercial and rental units. Projects like this one increases walkability along the Fraser corridor by breaking up long stretches of single-family homes, and helps enliven the streets by attracting visitors and shoppers. As a resident, I would love the convenience of new shops and services located within walking distance from my house, as would many others.

A few people in the community, fear the change from single-family homes, but I believe that our infrastructure can easily support this proposal. As well, the inclusion of townhomes fits the context of the surrounding neighbourhood and maintains diversity of our community. This project considers both the current housing crisis and the growth of our community, to provide a well-rounded solution for our future populations.

I strongly support this proposal for 104 units of purpose-built rental, that accommodates diverse household sizes and urge Mayor and Council to approve this project.

Sincerely,

Chris Sexsmith

Swanston, Denise

From: Devon Hussack s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 3:51 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Public Hearing October 1, 2019 - Agenda Item 4, 3429 – 3469 Fraser Street - Support

Greetings Mr Mayor and Members of City Council,

I am writing to express my support for the rezoning application at 3429 – 3469 Fraser Street. While there are plenty of other buildings like it in the area, I believe this one will respectfully outshine them. The pictures of it show a simple, plain beauty that is often missing in our city.

In fact, it's a little deceptive, as from the west side it does a good job of matching the current size of the neighbourhood, especially with the townhomes on the lane. Of course, its height isn't out of place on Fraser Street either, which will be even more true after the construction of the city-owned senior's housing building to the southeast is finished.

I imagine that many of the residents from these buildings, and the neighbourhood as a whole, will interact with each other at the many nearby parks, restaurants, and in the variety of programs offered at the Glad Tidings Church. It's great to think of the potential of children learning from their elders, as others with various levels of mobility are helped across the street.

However, this brings me to my only concern, which I believe could be addressed through the roughly \$2,000,000 in fees the city will collect as part of this application. Like many who walk Fraser Street, I would really like to see a signalized pedestrian crossing added to either the intersection with East 17th or East 18th Avenue. This will only become more necessary, as people of all levels of ability are once again able to find homes here thanks to proposals like this.

Hopefully you'll agree with me on both of these issues, but I would be happy enough just to see you support this project as well.

Thank you for your time,
Devon Hussack