

Wong, Tamarra

From: Erin Bilinsky s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Friday, December 06, 2019 9:11 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Re: 1134 East Georgia st

To Mayor Stewart and Council,

We are writing in response to the Public Hearing scheduled for the rezoning of 1134 E Georgia St.

As residents of this block, s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential we are writing to express our support for this project moving forward. Our family have lived in the area for a number of years now and are coming to the end of our own home renovation. We love the Strathcona-Kiwassa area and look forward to raising our young family here.

Since we first heard about this rezoning application, we have been in conversations with the development team and the City. We've attended the community open houses and we've shared our comments on how this proposal could potentially impact us as a direct neighbour. Throughout the process, the development team have sought our feedback and have taken some measures to minimize the building's impact on our home such as the NE set back of the townhouses. However we do feel strongly that the height transition on the East side of the building is still too impeding. We would like to see this transition lowered another tier in order to minimize the direct reduction of natural light exposure to our property as well as to soften the transition between our block of beautiful character homes and this potentially overpowering structure.

Aside from this substantial issue, we do think a project like this will help revive the street in a positive way.

Finally, with a young family ourselves, we support the delivery of more purpose-built family housing and appreciate that this proposal offers ownerships options and subsidized rental housing to be managed by Anhart Housing Society. With the school right across the street, it will be great to have more kids and young families in the community.

Overall, we think this proposal has a lot of positives that the entire community will benefit from and that the proposal represents a vast improvement to what is on the site today. We are excited for this proposal to move forward.

Thank you for taking the time to read our comments.

Sincerely,
Erin & Ryan Robinson

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From: Michael Renshaw s. 22(1) Personal and
Sent: Friday, December 06, 2019 9:07 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 1134 East Georgia

To Mayor and Council

I'm writing in response to the public hearing on December 10th and would like to submit my support for the mixed-use housing proposal for 1134 East Georgia Street.

My family and I have been involved in the Strathcona area for the last seventeen years over which time we have seen a lot of changes both good and bad in the community. I believe this proposal offers a good mix of residential options which will provide some much needed housing options to those in our city looking for a safe and secure place to call home.

Finally, I'd like to touch on the commercial space at the base of this project. I think this is a great spot for commercial uses and would love to see a cafe or coffee shop end up in the final layout. With the school in such close proximity, commercial spaces could really help liven up the area in a positive way. I really hope this project gets approved as I believe a lot of thought has gone into the plans, with our community in mind.

I appreciate your consideration and look forward to hearing your decision.

Sincerely,
Michael & Brenda Renshaw

Sent from my iPad

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From: Dwayne Launt s. 22(1) Personal and
Sent: Tuesday, December 03, 2019 10:47 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: [Released from COV quarantine] 1102 - 1134 East Georgia townhome complex.

Hello Mayor and Council,

I'm writing to support the housing project at 1102-1138 East Georgia Street referred to a public hearing at the November 5th Council Meeting. As a resident in this neighbourhood, I think this project needs to be a priority of our Council. I really like how market and social housing is mixed together in this proposal. This is a housing form I don't hear a lot of in our City, and I think it's a really great format that we could replicate elsewhere.

I also really like the design of the building & the passageways that run from E Georgia through to the laneway. The architecture of this project is really interesting and I think it will fit in nicely with the neighbourhood surroundings. Adding "family" density to this area I believe is a great idea as it can only "positively" change the area which is in transition.

Thanks,

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From: Rick Stonehouse s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Tuesday, December 03, 2019 9:00 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 1134 E Georgia development proposal

My name is Rick Stonehouse and I am writing to support the housing proposal at 1134 E Georgia Street that was referred to a public hearing. As a long-time owner in Strathcona, I support this proposal and really hope you will too. I know many people in that area or Kiwassa and I believe the general consensus is that it will be positive to the area to have more folks living there. This proposal will be a great opportunity for those looking to buy a home in the community, as well as those in need of subsidized rental suites for their families. I like that the two housing tenures are mixed together and centered around an internal courtyard and play area for kids. I think this proposal represents Strathcona well and I look forward to seeing it built.

Rick | s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential

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From: Garth White s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Sunday, December 01, 2019 12:50 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 1134 E Georgia Street

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Hi Mayor and Council,

I'd like to share my two cents about a housing project proposed for 1134 East Georgia Street in Strathcona. I live nearby in Grandview Woodlands on Commercial Drive; another East side neighbourhood that struggles to find a balance of housing choices for residents. I wanted to get in touch today to share my support for the E Georgia proposal because I think it's important, as residents, that we are continually advocating for quality housing projects that will truly benefit our community.

I received the Notice of Public Hearing in the mail this week for the the proposed development and I believe it is a really good example of modest growth. I think four stories in this community, and at this location, is very suitable & with it will come almost 50 new homes – 10 of which will be subsidized for families and individuals in need. What I also love, is that this proposal isn't on a busy street, instead it's situated in an existing community, nearby a school and services. To me this seems like a really great place to make a home and therefore a project worthwhile approving.

Thank you,

Sincerely,
Garth White

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From: Fabio Scaldaserra s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Sunday, December 01, 2019 11:41 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Letter of Support- 1102-1138 East Georgia St.

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Letter of Support- 1102-1138 East Georgia St.

As a resident of nearby s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential I really like this development. It would be a much needed improvement to the area, especially the retail spaces, maybe some patios too?

Please emphasize the need for public electric vehicle charging spots - and chargers for the residents and bikes.

Fabio

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Wasylynko, Matt @ Vancouver s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Friday, November 29, 2019 1:51 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Public Hearing: 1134 East Georgia Street - Support

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing to you with regards to the proposed rezoning at 1134 East Georgia Street.

I fully support this application and hope to see more mixed-use projects in East Vancouver come forward for your consideration. I feel it is important to deliver a mixture of housing types in all neighborhoods, including social housing. This kind of long-term planning will ensure this project is a success and will integrate into the existing community very well. Please approve at your public hearing on December 10th.

Best,

Matt Wasylynko

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From: Thorin Tobiasson s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Thursday, November 28, 2019 1:17 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 1134 E Georgia Street

Dear Mayor Stewart and Council,

In lieu of attending the upcoming public hearing to discuss the rezoning application at 1134 E Georgia Street, I'd like to share my support for this project in writing.

I'm a resident nearby this development proposal and I think it would be a really great addition to the area. I love that there is a mixture of market and social housing together focused toward families looking to also call Strathcona home. I've lived in the community for several years and absolutely love it. There is so much character to the area, but I do feel like the area is at risk of becoming run down over time. Projects like the one proposed for this property – a 4 story mixed use, mixed tenure apartment building – will really make a difference in that regard. I'd love to see more people move into the area and join our community!

I'm wholeheartedly in favor of this application – I hope you agree with City Staff's recommendation for approval.

Thank you,

Thorin Tobiasson

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From: Arash Tavakoli s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Thursday, November 28, 2019 1:07 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Letter of Support - 1134 East Georgia Street, Vancouver

Dear Mayor and Council,

Thanks for taking the time to review my comments on the rezoning application for 1134 East Georgia Street. I am fully in support of this proposal and would like to see it built as soon as possible. I own a small construction business in the community that has been in operation for over eight years now. We are a small team that expands and grows as our workload allows. We've also done many projects on the east side of the City, so I feel like I know Strathcona quite well. To me, the proposal before you represents a sound addition to the area. The location is perfect to promote family living and the at grade commercial spaces will attract small scale businesses that will contribute to the existing vibe of Strathcona. Building a vibrant and community-focused development on this property would work really well, especially given its proximity to the elementary school.

The proposal materials online looks like a well thought out and quality design that the whole community will be able to enjoy. I hope to hear a positive result from the public hearing.

Arash Tavakoli, BAsC

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From: Ali Sinawi s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Thursday, November 28, 2019 9:39 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Support for 1134 East Georgia, from a Strathcona resident

Hello City of Vancouver Council,

My name is Ali Sinawi, and I live in Strathcona with my wife Yasmeen, and our young daughter Sofia. I am also a business owner and have lived in Vancouver my whole life. We would like to write to you today to give our full support of the application for 1138 East Georgia Street. As a resident in this community I think this project would be a great addition to the neighbourhood. The proposed housing is obviously much needed in Vancouver & I like that this application offers a variety of housing types to cater to folks from many financial backgrounds.

I'm particularly interested in the ground floor commercial space and appreciate that this has been designed so that smaller scale businesses can set up shop here. I think this is a great way to go for this community and I would absolutely welcome more businesses in the area to support our local economy. I also think the idea of a small-scale café or bistro is a really good idea. My family/ friends and I would definitely use this space.

We would like to urge you to approve this proposal and help revitalize our community in Strathcona. It needs developments like these.

Thank you,

Ali Sinawi, Yasmeen Sinawi & Sofia Sinawi

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From: Luft, Jake s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2019 6:11 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: RE: 1134 E Georgia Street - Public Hearing

To Mayor, Council and Vancouver Planning Staff,

In addition to my previous correspondence in April 2018, I'd like to reiterate my support for the proposal at 1134 East Georgia Street. As I had previously mentioned, it's great to see a new project proposed in the Kiwassa area that falls in-line with the guidance of the DTES Local Area Plan and one that creates much needed housing.

I work extensively in the DTES in the housing industry and understand firsthand the housing needs our City faces. This project successfully integrates 10 social housing apartments with market housing in a cohesive and inclusive way. Coupled with the commercial spaces for new businesses, I think this proposal will be an absolute success.

Thank you to the Planning Staff for the opportunity to comment on this redevelopment proposal throughout the process. I appreciate the time they have taken to ensure my comments have been considered in the development of this application.

Respectfully,

Jake Luft*

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From: Michael Rak s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2019 1:56 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Spam: 1134 E Georgia Street

Dear Mayor and Council,

I'd like to reiterate my support for the Strathcona housing proposal for 1134 E Georgia Street. I attended the City's open house for this project and shared my views there as well. In considering this application, please have regard to my comments.

Put simply, Vancouver needs more mixed-use housing proposals like this one. The proposal represents a much better use of the land and will revitalize the area significantly. In accepting this application, I'm pleased to see that the City are recognizing the need for such a project and are taking steps toward relieving the demand for housing in Vancouver. I think this project is a slam dunk, my only thought for improvement would be to increase the amount of homes on site – but I assume this would mean increasing the height of the overall building.

Thanks for the opportunity to share my thoughts on this proposal again. I think it's a great project that needs to be built!



Michael Rak

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From: Rachel Martinuk s. 22(1) Personal and
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Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2019 11:37 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 1134 E Georgia - Upcoming Public Hearing

Hello Mayor & Council,

I am a home-owner at s. 22(1) Personal and
C f i d t i l and am emailing to share my support for the project proposed for 1102-1138 East Georgia Street. I was hoping to attend the public hearing in person but with busy family commitments, I'll be unable to make it.

My family of four lives s. 22(1) Personal and
C f i d t i l t from this project and my eldest son attends s. 22(1) Personal
d C f i d t i l so I know this area very well. We are excited at the prospect of commercial retail spaces on the ground floor of this neighbourhood development. My family and I would LOVE the presence of a business in the community that acted as a hub for community connection and offered daily convenience, much like Union Market does. We would also welcome any commercial retail or restaurant opportunity (other than another brewery) that doesn't involve us having to cross the busy streets of Hastings or Clarke Dr (which is what we currently have to do when heading to the grocery, Fujiya, Les Amis, The Garden or other local businesses). We really feel that our Kiwassa community is lacking that social gathering space, and only meet true neighbours by chance, while outside of the residential area.

Having a young family myself, I would be remiss not to mention that we would also always welcome more family housing in the area. I appreciate that this proposal offers options for people on all housing budgets.

Looking forward to your discussion on the matter. If you would like to contact me, please reply by email.

Regards,

RACHEL MARTINUK

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From: DL s. 22(1) Personal and
Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2019 9:10 AM
To: Confidential
Subject: Public Hearing
Rezoning Application – 1102-1138 East Georgia Street

I am writing to support the rezoning at 1102-1138 East Georgia Street. Vancouver needs more housing options and I believe this development, with the affordable housing, will provide the variety of options needed for families. The design and styling of the buildings also fit the form and character of the Strathcona neighbourhood. As well, this development would also revitalize the commercial businesses in the area. I look forward to the City of Vancouver Council approving this project. Thank you very much.

Regards,

David Lau

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From: Sabrina Cordeiro s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Tuesday, November 26, 2019 3:54 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: 1134 E Georgia Street

Dear Mayor and Council,

As a homeowner in Strathcona, just a 5-minute walk from the housing proposal at 1134 E Georgia Street, I'd like to share my support and encouragement for your approval of this project at the upcoming Public Hearing. My family and I have attended the City's open houses for the proposal and think it's exactly what the community needs. I'm pleased to see this project moving forward.

In my opinion, this project has a lot to offer the immediate area. I like the mixture of market and social housing, the general family focus of a proposal so close to the school, and I really like the commercial space at street level. I feel like this project will be in high demand for a number of reasons!

I also think the design is really unique - the "mews" through the property is a great idea. I've seen this in Japan and it works really well. Glad to see innovative ideas like this coming forward for our City.

My husband and I have a four month old daughter and we're so excited to see a family focused development in the area. The prospect of providing more homes for young families is the exact reason we bought in Strathcona.

Looking forward to seeing this project get built!

Sincerely,
Sabrina Cordeiro
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From: Krystian Thomas s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Monday, November 25, 2019 11:50 AM
To: Public Hearing

City of Vancouver Mayor and Council,

Firstly, I'd like to thank you for the opportunity to share my thoughts on the development of my community. I'm writing today to voice my support for the proposal under consideration at 1102-1138 East Georgia Street. From what I've seen, this application seems to be exactly what our neighbourhood needs – a mixture of market and social housing, atop of commercial spaces that would benefit the community. I think this proposal is a vast improvement on what's there today and would have a lasting positive impact for years to come. A family-focused project like this makes total sense at this location. Strathcona is a community for families and a project like this one will ensure more families are able to live in the community. I really hope this project moved forward.

Thank you again for your time,

Krystian Thomas

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