

City of Vancouver
453 West 12th Ave,
Vancouver, BC V5Y 1V4

To: Mayor and Council

Re: SUPPORT of 1805 Larch St. Development Proposal

Dear Mayor and Council,

Please consider this letter my formal support for the 1805 Larch St development proposal by Jaimeson Corp.

I have lived and worked in several provinces and countries as an architect and urbanist. When I moved back to Canada 11 years ago I chose to live in Vancouver and in particular Vancouver's west side due the diversity and richness of community I found to be growing here.

As designer and as a member of Urban Design Panels I have worked or advised on many projects that sought to encourage increased community character through density. Like this development proposal, some were challenging to the immediate (typically elderly) neighbors who feared any change. However, each has strengthened the neighborhood with a more diverse community.

Community character is more about people and how they interact than in building heights. Density is about people living close to work, living in walking distance of vibrant shops and services. In my professional and personal experience the form and character and the 5 storeys proposed here fits carefully into the surrounding context and align with the objectives of a neighborhood and city that encourages diversity and positive growth.

This project makes appropriate use of a unique site with the same footprint as the church. It's a modern and environmentally efficient building, protects mature trees, improves the existing lane access, offers good residential amenities, and displaces no existing residents. ~~It is my hope that the council will support the motion.~~

Please SUPPORT this application.

Sincerely,

"s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential"

Marc MacCaul *SPEAKER 450*

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Choi, Rowena

From: Charlie Palmer "s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential"
Sent: Tuesday, December 17, 2019 8:28 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: I support 1805 Larch St

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

Please approve the [1805 Larch Street](#) rezoning.

I am an immigrant to Canada / Vancouver, and on arrival I benefited from affordable housing. I now have a home of my own, a situation I could not have achieved without the availability of affordable accommodation while I was saving.

I support this project for the following reasons

- Secure and stable rental housing belongs in every neighbourhood, and are especially important in the more expensive neighbourhoods like Kitsilano.
- This project provides additional housing, including moderate income accommodations, WITHOUT displacing anyone. Few other developments achieve that and as such this solution to our housing crisis should be applauded.
- This location is located close to transit hubs, which is convenient for residents, is consistent with regional planning initiatives, and reduces reliance on carbon-source single occupancy vehicles.

I cannot attend hearings, but please consider my strong support for this and other moderate income residential developments on the west side of the city when you make your decisions.

Regards, J.C.Palmer