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From: Jerome Deis [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, January 06, 2020 10:19 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 878-898 West Broadway

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I have just received my notice of Public Hearing for the above property – and a few questions/comments –

1. This area is in need of residential housing – especially with the proposed train station very close by – would it not make more sense to allow this development and add residential housing as well – the developer could be offer incentives to build perhaps a residential tower and a hotel tower – and increase the height to perhaps 20 stories. And I received responses in the past from the city – saying it is not zoned for that – but who cares – rezone and offer some incentives – the city planners are so disconnected to reality when housing is so desperately needed in the city and there seems to be no out of box thinking for creative ways to increase density in areas that need it.
2. Why wouldn't this area be planned/zoned for residential – with a train station so close?
3. Why would there be so many parking spots approved for this development? The Broadway corridor is already chaos with inadequate planning of this street (I doubt whether the traffic planners have ever driven down Broadway between 2 in the afternoon and 7 in the evening- when it is totally congested due to poor planning and traffic patterns) and now you want to add 487 cars to the already chaotic mess of the area? What thought has gone into that?

I don't normally object to development if it makes sense – but I am against this development for the reasons above -and in summary –

This has not been a planned, efficient use of land in a location of the city that is in desperate need of residential housing.

And maybe just ask yourselves the question – why is residential housing so expensive in the city? Easy answer – because there is a shortage of housing!

Please wake up and start being proactive and start using the land we have more efficiently!

JEROME DEIS

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From: Reilly Wood [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, January 09, 2020 1:22 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Rezoning Application for 878-898 West Broadway

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Hi, I'd like to register my support for the proposed hotel near VGH. VGH services patients from all over the province, and they+their families often need places to stay.

I hope you approve this project, and I also hope you allow similar hotels near BC Women's+Children's.

Thank you,
Reilly Wood
[REDACTED]

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From: Sylvan [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, January 11, 2020 5:33 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Rezoning Application for 878-898 West Broadway

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Mayor and Councillors,

I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed rezoning application for 878 West Broadway, the existing Park Inn Hotel.

I am a 25-year resident of [REDACTED] just one block away. I am familiar with the hotel property, the Fairview Pub and the adjoining Beer & Wine store.

This site is in a busy area of Broadway, with shops, medical services, and just one block from the VGH Emergency Department. It is right across Laurel street from the planned location of the Fairview-VGH Station of the Broadway Subway. The hotel is frequently used by patients from all over BC who need to visit VGH for treatment, and their families, and provides a conveniently close location to visit the hospital and specialty services along Broadway and 10th Ave.

Located close to downtown and transit, it's also a good location for visiting business and tourism travellers. There is a significant demand for more hotel space in Vancouver, which would help ease the pressure on long-term rentals which are being used for AirBnB and similar. The larger hotel and increased retail space will mean more visitors and more jobs in this central transit-accessible location.

The proposed building heights are entirely consistent with mid-rise buildings that already exist along this stretch of Broadway, and have taken into account the restrictions required by the VGH air ambulance as well as view corridors.

While the loss of the Fairview Pub would be a disappointment to its patrons, as there is definitely a lack of entertainment venues in this area, hopefully as part of the Broadway Plan new cultural and entertainment spaces can be encouraged.

Again, speaking as a long-term resident of the area, I welcome the increase in visitors and employment, as well as the striking design, that this proposal brings.

Sylvan Korvus
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From: Kee, Claudine [VA] [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2020 4:25 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 878-898 W Broadway

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Dear Mayor & Council,

I work as a registered nurse at Vancouver General Hospital and I am writing in support of the proposed rezoning at 878-898 W Broadway.

I walk past this site on a daily basis and I think it will be greatly improved with a new hotel and retail stores. I work on the cancer floor where there are a lot of longer term patients whose family members need places to stay around the hospital. The new hotel is proposed to include long term stay suites, which would be beneficial to family members and visitors who need a place to stay for a longer duration.

In addition, the new retail will hopefully provide more food options for the doctors, nurses and staff who work in and around the hospital.

Thank you,

Claudine Kee

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From: GP Doré [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2020 3:20 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 878-898 w broadway hotel

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I am writing in support of the application for the new hotel at this location. Vancouver has few choices for hotel stays outside the downtown core. With the closure of the Landmark Hotel there has been a significant loss of rooms. Coupled with Airbnb restrictions, it is very hard for families and loved ones to find accommodation on short notice near the hospital. The Broadway corridor continues to grow in its an ecosystem of medical-scientific services and businesses which draw visitors. Having a larger, newer and seismically-sound hotel in this location is beneficial for Vancouver. I live several blocks away and I support this hotel as proposed.

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From: Elliott, Mark [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2020 1:38 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 878-898 W Broadway

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Dear Mayor & Council,

I am the Program Chair of Hospitality Management at Douglas College and I am writing in support of the proposed new hotel at 878-898 W Broadway.

The Hospitality Management program was established in 1996 and we offer a general diploma in Hospitality Management, Post-Degree Diplomas in Hospitality Management and Hospitality Marketing, and a Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Hospitality Services Management. At any one time we have approximately 450 students enrolled in our programs. Many of these aspire to develop careers in the accommodations sector in the Lower Mainland.

We are very aware of industry concerns around the diminishing supply of hotel rooms in the city. We would therefore support an initiative, such as the one being proposed, which provides more options for visitors and more opportunities for our graduates. We also appreciate the project's focus on sustainability and the creation of a healthy building for both residents of the city and employees of the hotel.

Sincerely,

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From: Joshua [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, January 20, 2020 8:06 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: [EXTERNAL] January 23rd public hearing item 7

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Mayor and Council,

I am writing this email in fervent support of the new hotel proposal for 878-898 West Broadway as the city is in dire need of more hotel rooms!

Sincerely,

J Murdock Fairview resident [REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone