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06/26/2020	10:06	PH2 - 4. REZONING: 1059-1075 Nelson Street	Support	<p>Mayor and Council, My name is Sandra Rohler. I am an architect and resident in Vancouver and I was a co-founder of Passive House Canada. I am an advocate for more sustainable buildings and am supportive of the proposal to build a passive house tower at 1075 Nelson Street. I was on the speaker's list for Thursday, June 25th but won't be able to attend on Tuesday, June 30th, 9:30 am. I felt it was important to voice my support as this project represents a significant shift for our industry, and one I have been advocating for for many years. Buildings are a major source of greenhouse gas emissions in our cities. Reducing energy consumption in our buildings is the way to address the root source of these emissions. By moving to the passive house standard we are able to move our cities in a more sustainable direction. We do this ultimately to combat the very real and imminent threat posed by climate change. It is reassuring to see that the policies that Vancouver has adopted have helped contribute to a project like this coming forward. This project itself won't solve the climate crisis, but it can act as a catalyst to help accelerate a transition in the building and development industry to a more sustainable standard. A much needed acceleration that must not be delayed. Among the ways this building will contribute will be by building local knowledge for how large scale passive house buildings are designed and constructed, as well as by supporting industry to produce and deliver the materials that make more sustainable buildings possible. This project will set another precedent and in this regard the proposal will make subsequent passive house buildings easier to build in Vancouver. I will otherwise keep my comments short, but I want to reiterate that we should be moving quickly to address climate change. I encourage Council to support policies that move us in a more sustainable direction, and to support proposals like this one that seek passive house certification. Thank you. Sandra Rohler Architect AIBC Architekt AKNW</p>	Sandra Rohler		s. 22(1)	Strathcona	No web attachments.