

1. CD-1 Rezoning: 810 Kingsway

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01/18/2021	15:26	PH1 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning: 810 Kingsway	Support	I fully endorse the development proposed for 810 Kingsway. Sammy's flooring has been a good neighbour. However, it has never added to the character or energy of our neighbourhood. Kingsway is in need of revitalization and having more residents and new small scale retail along this corridor will go a long way. The proposed building is attractive and well thought out. Please approve this development as proposed.	Lorne Wolinsky		"s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"	Kensington-Cedar Cottage	No web attachments.
01/18/2021	15:32	PH1 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning: 810 Kingsway	Support	I am writing today to voice my support of the Rize Alliance project at 801 Kingsway. My name is Andrew Morrison. I am a veteran of the local restaurant industry; a food writer; a restaurant critic; a cookbook author; a Senior Judge at the Canadian Culinary Championships; a local advisor to both the annual 'Canada's 100 Best Restaurants' magazine and enRoute's 'Canada's Best New Restaurants' issue; the co-founder and editor of Scout Magazine; and a longtime resident of East Van. For the past few months I've done consulting work with Rize Alliance on a different development project, tasked with advising them on the kinds of food and beverage businesses that would not only reflect well on their brand by reputation but also fit and benefit the immediate neighbourhood at large. This has meant introducing them to key players and up-and-comers in Vancouver's restaurant community, advising on the importance and roles of hospitality and gathering places in neighbourhoods, and keeping them true to the vision that had them ring my bell in the first place. This is the only consulting work I've ever been willing to do. I said 'yes' because one of the most unfortunate but fixable facets of life in Vancouver is the over-evidenced indifference of real estate developers when it comes to who they select as tenants for their restaurant and cafe spaces. In too many cases, a Starbucks or a cookie-cutter chain restaurant has been seen as just as worthy as a community-minded coffee shop or an independent restaurant that has the potential to advance the ball of Vancouver's food scene. As long as the lease is signed and the rent is paid, what does it matter? I think it matters a great deal. I'm making this disclosure and sending this letter not because I'm contractually obligated to do so (I am not), but rather because I want to encourage Riza Alliance to keep moving in this direction. I've been assured of their commitment to rent to commercial tenants that residents will be proud to live above. It is for this that they've got my attention, and it is why I've written in with appreciation for the opportunity to do so. Sincerely, Andrew Morrison	Andrew Morrison	Scout Magazine	"s.22(1) Personal and Confidential"	Strathcona	No web attachments.