

1. CD-1 Rezoning 1766 Frances Street - SUPPORT

Date Received	Time Created	Subject	Position	Content	Name	Organization	Contact Info	Neighbourhood	Attachments
01/22/2021	14 24	PH2 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning 1766 Frances Street	Support	I live in a home very close to the proposed affordable housing development. I support the project because I know how important it is to build more secure, affordable housing units in the city. I value the focus on culturally safe and supportive features and designs. Indigenous people have historically been underserved by all levels of government and this is an important opportunity to ensure B1 families and individuals have safe housing. The design is beautiful and I will welcome the opportunity to engage with the team on the project. I hope to outreach with the neighborhood.	Jessica Carson		s:22(1) Personal and Confidential	Grandview-Woodland	No web attachments.
01/27/2021	13 21	PH2 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning 1766 Frances Street	Support	I live s:22(1) Personal and Confidential from the proposed Vancouver Native Housing Society redevelopment. I very much support a project that will bring new, culturally appropriate housing and out of school care to our neighbourhood. We are in critical need of more non-market housing and I am looking forward to meeting new neighbours.	Tamara Herman	none		Grandview-Woodland	No web attachments.
01/27/2021	13 53	PH2 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning 1766 Frances Street	Support	I am writing in support of the Native Housing Society Re Development on Frances Street. I live a few blocks from this site and am excited for the affordable family housing I will bring to our neighbourhood and the before and after school care program. This community is diverse and we need as much affordable housing and supports for our community members as possible. This is a great step in the right direction.	Nadia Roberts	NONE (neighbour of project)		Hastings-Sunrise	No web attachments.
01/29/2021	08 02	PH2 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning 1766 Frances Street	Support	We are in desperate need of more social housing in this city. I wish the city would actually consider addressing the root cause of housing affordability and eliminate single family zoning.	Brad Gladu			Unknown	No web attachments.
01/30/2021	01 37	PH2 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning 1766 Frances Street	Support	I fully support the City of Vancouver (unceded Coast Salish territories) in providing social housing for populations experiencing housing insecurity. There isn't enough social housing available for all the people needing it. Please keep building and housing. The health and vitality of families depend on it.	Mona Stilwell			Grandview-Woodland	No web attachments.
01/31/2021	07 24	PH2 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning 1766 Frances Street	Support	I support this development - given the low cost of housing in this city, we need to have more affordable units, especially for communities at risk. Being within walking distance of amenities makes this location good, as it means people can meet their needs without a car. The area has a precedent of apartment-type dwellings - if there is some greenspace attached it will be fine.	Nel MacEachern			Grandview-Woodland	No web attachments.
01/31/2021	17 26	PH2 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning 1766 Frances Street	Support	Hi there, Vancouver desperately needs more social and low-income housing, I strongly support this development in my neighbourhood.	Dave Cary			Grandview-Woodland	No web attachments.
02/01/2021	16 14	PH2 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning 1766 Frances Street	Support	What a beautiful building! I fully support the redevelopment of this building to provide housing for the city's indigenous folks.	Margaret Go			Grandview-Woodland	No web attachments.
02/02/2021	16 09	PH2 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning 1766 Frances Street	Support	We must take action on projects just like these to provide safe, stable and affordable housing. This is part of taking action on our commitment to reconciliation. Further, the scale of this project is completely reasonable given the site location with another 14 story tower just 1 block east. The missing on this site is consistent multi-family residential in the neighbourhood. Further Frances St is also a wider street than most residential streets which will also buffer the pedestrian experience of the building. Please approve this great project.	Connie Buna			Grandview-Woodland	No web attachments.
02/03/2021	18 50	PH2 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning 1766 Frances Street	Support	VNHS has a tremendous track record of providing and managing housing that serves marginalized community members, especially the Urban Aboriginal community. We all know, affordability and targeted housing is essential, and this proposal ticks a lot of the boxes, and more - VHS does more than build buildings, they build community.	David LePage			Mount Pleasant	No web attachments.
02/03/2021	19 40	PH2 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning 1766 Frances Street	Support	Vancouver Native Housing Society has a stellar track record for delivering on affordability and community capacity building and this is yet another example of how sustainable, energy efficient affordable housing can and will help build community.	Joseph MacLean			do not live in Vancouver	No web attachments.
02/04/2021	10 43	PH2 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning 1766 Frances Street	Support	We support this project as per attached letter.	Patrick Buchannon	New Chelsea Society		Unknown	Appendix A
02/05/2021	16 35	PH2 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning 1766 Frances Street	Support	Dear Mayor Stewart and Council, Re: Support for 1766 Frances Street Redevelopment Proposal On behalf of Brightside Community Homes Foundation, I would like to convey our enthusiastic support for the Vancouver Native Housing Society's redevelopment proposal at 1766 Frances Street. This project represents an important step toward mitigating the desperate need for social and affordable housing in the City, and the combination of form and function is a testament to how increased density can integrate so well into an existing neighbourhood and provide much-needed childcare spaces for East Vancouver families. Brightside is one of Vancouver's largest and longest-standing non-profit providers of affordable housing. With 26 buildings throughout Vancouver rented almost exclusively at rent-gated-to-income rates, we have decades of experience with social housing and have an in-depth understanding of the need for additional affordable, secured rental housing. More recently, we received largely unanimous support from Vancouver City Council on three redevelopment proposals for social housing in the surrounding neighbourhood, including one 12-storey building in Mount Pleasant. Proximity to transit and statistically underrepresented vehicle usage among residents in our social housing buildings are important factors in ameliorating traffic and parking concerns. The widely recognized need for additional density in one of Canada's least affordable cities, particularly in communities near significant public amenities and with high ratios of renters to homeowners, has proven to be a strong measure of community support for increased height and density. As a whole, the benefits of this proposal - both to the community and to the neighbourhood aesthetic - are significant. The choice to build to Passive House standards presents a compelling reduction in the building's carbon footprint and energy use. Most importantly, the fact that all 84 units of social housing, including a sizable number of four-bedroom homes for Indigenous families and the provision of a childcare facility, means that the project will make a truly meaningful impact in adding to Vancouver's affordable housing stock and meeting the needs of Indigenous families and the wider community. For these reasons, Brightside offers unequivocal support for the Vancouver Native Housing Society's 1766 Frances Street proposal, and we encourage Vancouver City Council to approve this project. Sincerely, BRIGHTSIDE COMMUNITY HOMES FOUNDATION Lilian Chau Director, Community Real Estate	Lilian Chau	Brightside Community Homes Foundation		Hastings-Sunrise	Appendix B
02/05/2021	16 43	PH2 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning 1766 Frances Street	Support	I support the safe, secure affordable rental housing being redeveloped at 1766 Frances St. This development by Vancouver Native Housing Society, in partnership with Makola Development Services, should be approved by Vancouver City Council at the public hearing scheduled for February 11 2021.	Don Newsham			Downtown	No web attachments.
02/06/2021	18 03	PH2 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning 1766 Frances Street	Support	This project is beautiful and delivers the kind of housing that is badly needed at the lower end of the affordability spectrum (as you all know already)	Andrew Adams			do not live in Vancouver	No web attachments.
02/07/2021	08 25	PH2 - 1. CD-1 Rezoning 1766 Frances Street	Support	Dear Mayor and Council, As a resident of Vancouver, former resident of a neighbourhood nearby this site, and as a sustainability professional, I wholeheartedly support this development. This project is exemplary in addressing affordable housing, meaningful reconciliation and celebration of First Nations culture, and beautiful design aesthetics that will enhance the neighbourhood. Equally, I applaud that it is being designed to meet Passive House standards, will all-electric (near zero GHG) heating, and incorporates mass timber to reduce embodied carbon. These standards are consistent with the City's climate emergency response and can be expected to improve indoor air quality (no gas stoves, filtration for wildfire smoke) and reduce energy costs for residents. The low levels of car parking and abundant bike parking are entirely appropriate for the walkable neighbourhood and also help with affordability. My only critique is that these features are not stated more prominently in the materials provided on the website. In short, this project exemplifies true sustainability and I look forward to your approval and hope you will encourage more of this kind of project in all neighbourhoods across the city. Yours truly, Lise Townsend	Lise Townsend			Renfrew-Colingwood	No web attachments.

February 4th, 2021

Vancouver City Council,
453 West 12th Avenue,
Vancouver, BC
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Dear Members of Council:

RE: AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT AT 1766 FRANCES STREET, VANCOUVER, BC

I am pleased to write this letter on behalf of New Chelsea Society in support of Vancouver Native Housing Society's (VNHS) application for Council's approval at the February 11th, 2021 public hearing for their proposed project at **1766 Frances Street in Vancouver, BC**. VNHS is undertaking this project in partnership with M'akola Development Services.

VNHS is a well-known and well-regarded non-profit housing provider, both on a provincial and national level. Having incorporated over 35 years ago and having amassed a significant social housing portfolio, they are often called upon by organizations such as BC Non-Profit Housing Association and the Canadian Housing & Renewal Association to share their expertise and best practices with the sector at conferences, webinars and the like. They have a highly motivated and well-trained staff that operate from a professional, yet compassionate model, using leading edge techniques, best practices and employing the latest software applications for Property Management purposes.

We understand that VNHS's project will create 81 new safe, affordable homes with a mix of studios, one, two, and three bedroom apartments, with rents geared to the tenants' incomes. There will also be 32 family units containing two, three and four bedrooms. Included in the development will be an Indigenous-focused "before and after school-care program" on the ground floor. The project will be energy-efficient and with a passive house construction.

New Chelsea Society is pleased to provide this letter in support of our colleagues at Vancouver Native Housing Society for this culturally-appropriate housing that will meet the needs of Vancouver's growing urban indigenous communities.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely

NEW CHELSEA SOCIETY

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Per: Patrick Buchanan
Chief Executive Officer



February 5, 2021

Dear Mayor Stewart and Council,

Re: Support for 1766 Frances Street Redevelopment Proposal

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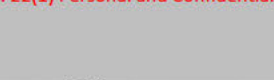
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