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Date Received	Time Created	Subject	Position	Content	Full Name	Contact Name	Organization	Contact Info	Neighbourhood	Attachment
03/08/2021	17:03	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	Hi there, I am opposing the idea putting more social housing in the area. It has greatly affected my business and the cleanliness of the area itself. I am constan ly cleaning up needles and human feces every single morning. This needs to stop. We need more support and adding more of these houses is not the answer.	Ron Cheng	RONALD CHENG	Cold Tea Restaurant		Downtow	No web attachments.
03/08/2021	17:21	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	Hi , my name is Ran , I live in the area , I heard about the K3 social housing project and ; I am against it because there is already so much drug use and enough social housing already in his area.	Rania El Meknassl	Rania El Meknassl			Downtow	No web attachments.
03/08/2021	18:53	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan - Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	There is enough social housing in the neighborhood. I've lived here for 25 years have watched the area deterioration with drug dealing drug use watch openly drug overdosed. Have had a family member assaulted at the door of my condo building. The area is saturated with social housing and has become unsafe to walk up the street. I can't think of another area with this much social housing. THIS NEIGHBOURHOOD IS ALREADY HOME TO SEVERAL SIZEABLE SERVICE AND SOCIAL HOUSING SITES. Hornby Street · 1119 - The Murray Hotel (87 Rooms) Howe · 1060 - Metson Shelters- Community Builders (100 rooms) · 1249 - Howe Street March 4, 2021 (110 rooms) Granville Street · 1300 - The Yale Saloon (43 rooms) · 1266 - Candela Place (62 rooms) · 1261 - Granville Residences (83 rooms) · 1176 ' Drug vending machine at Lugaat (Howard Johnson) (110 rooms) · 1161 - St. Helen's Hotel (100 rooms) · 1130 - Arnold Apartments (42 rooms) · 1125 - Clifton Hotel (74 rooms) · 1060 - Vogue Hotel (80 rooms) · 1044 / 1048 Regal Hotel (75 rooms) Richards Street · 1099 - New Jubilee House (162 rooms) · 1321 - Richard Street /Mennonite Housing Society (87 rooms) Seymour Street · 1101 - Injection Site and living facilities in building (87 rooms) · 1302 - Covenant House (63 short term rooms) · 1280 - Teen Covenant House (final stages of construction) · 1225 - Coast Mental Health · 1221 - Terra Housing (136 rooms) Helmcken Street · 649 - McLaren House (260 rooms) New Builds · 594 Davie Vape Shop (corner of Davie and Seymour) 'women's shelter · 508 Drake ' (198 social housing units) · 1221 Granville-Parking lot by Lugaat		GLENN GOULD			Downtowi	No web attachments.

03/08/2021	20:00	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	To who it may concern: We would like for the city of Vancouver to let us know in advance, if they want to have businesses in the entertainment district or if they want to turn Granville street into the #death row like Los Angeles downtown by the Cecil hotel. We as owners of businesses in the street have suffered losses from the homeless people, bothering our customers before covid-19 never mind after covid, we are all planning to sell because we see that there is no support from the city in cleaning up streets but actually making it worst. We have had break ins go up by 40 percent In The Granville area which has also turned into a big bacteria forming disaster, everyone shits in back alleys wiping their hands off our garbage containers due to lack of sanitary products, and our staff has to face drug addicts when we go to throw our garbage out, it is not worth the money or our safety anymore to own businesses on Granville, we all have families and kids hat wants to see us make it home at night safe and sound and not get ing stabbed by someone hat is mentally ill or a drug substance abuser. The city has shown its mayor hat they cannot deal with he homeless issue in Vancouver in disturbing businesses or attacking wife's going down the street to a city park wi h their kids and needles everywhere. What is point of building a park on smithe and Richards for families when they all going to be scared to go enjoy it, due to dirtiness How come the city doesn't buy a few houses around city hall and put the ppl there and walk to work every morning and get attacked by homeless or mentally ill ppl Or find shit in front of the mayor doors steps like we do in front of our businesses daily so they can understand our pain, try it for six month just like you have done on Granville without asking us using covid as an excuse Overall you could have bought all the old building on hasting for less money and clean them up and make the area nice looking and built home for them there and also facili ies to accomodate he mentally ill,		Nick	Cavo bar kitchen	Downtown	No web attachments.
03/08/2021	22:25	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	we have almost 2000 social housing units within blocks of each other and an injection site, we do not need any more social housing in granville st area, we have been bombarded with homeless sleeping in the tents, druggies, people peeing on the street, us tax payer have a right to live in our city wi hout being harass, Mr. Mayor you must think about the consequences if you go ahead and approve K3,	May Myers	May Myers		Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	00:36	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	I strongly oppose this. I work on the street and live nearby. I understand the need for social housing but not at the expense of our downtown core. I no longer feel safe in my city. I could not oppose this more	Jack Boden	Jack Boden	Myself	West End	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	09:39	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	This is a friendly neighbourhood, I do not understand why the government want more social housing in this area. We should contain those social housing and just wants to Pacific area such as East Hastings but not all over downtown. I was walking on the street with my children and I saw needles. I am really concerned the safety of my family. Moreover, there are frequent breaking in our building. According to security camera it was the homeless who did it.	Larry Chen	Larry Chen		Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	09:50	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Opposed	I feel unsafe walking in the area and I get harassed	Tiffany Lui	Tiffany Lui	Scotiabank	Downtown	No web attachments.

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03/09/2021	10:03	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	This development, with the high concentration of homeless shelters and drug related services will seriously impact our neighborhood in a negative way. Even today, wdd red have to constan ly clean up the garbage and drug paraphernalia left by these people. Some of us have young families with children and pets and this is totally unacceptable. I urge the city to reject this proposal.	Frederick Kwong	FREDERICK KWONG			Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	10:11	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	Downtown is already plagued by drugs and homelessness as it is. K3 will concentrate even more of he same in a neighborhood that is being pushed to the edge. Don't forget there are families who live here and these families have young children. Used needles, garbage and even human waste has been littering out streets. Do you want this in your own neighborhood' This proposal is ill conceived and must be rejected.	Tillie Kwong	Ms Tillie Kwong	_		Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	10:13	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	I live in this area and I absolutely oppose adding more social housing!!!!! I feel so scared and unsafe walking past these homeless people who ask me for money, who defecate on the streets, have sex in broad daylight, inject and throw needles anywhere and everywhere, who disrupt our beautiful and precious city. Yes, homelessness, drug abuse, mental illness is a difficult and complex problem, but increasing social housing in the most valued areas of the city is NOT the answer!!!! We need to contain and manage this issue wi hin a geographically manageable, cost effec ive area such as he downtown east side. Think of he property values and property taxes that will be affected by hard working, tax paying citizens in the city who will MOVE OUT OF THIS AREA! Increasing social housing all over the downtown core will result in a dramatic inflow of MORE homeless Canadians from across the country who will be given the message that the city of Vancouver will welcome them with wide open arms of free drugs, injection sites, housing, benefits and more. I am so upset and disappointed in the direction that the city has been going in tackling the homelessness issue and I am literally coun ing down the days until he next municipal election. Sam Sullivan would never have allowed this beautiful city of Vancouver to become a wasteland, all paid for by hard working, law abiding, tax paying citizens!!		Josephine Ok			Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	10:21	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	I have lived in this area for the last 2 years and saved enough to purchase a condo. I feel it's unfair that we work hard to pay extremely high priced for real estate and then the city wants to make the area less desirable to live. Every few months it gets worse and worse and I really wouldn't it like this to go hrough. Thx	Zia hirji	Zai Hirji	Resident at Maddox		Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	10:37	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	strongly oppose!	XianQian Wu	XianQian Wu	Condo owner/resident		Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	11:06	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan - Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	No to K3 in the Granville corridor. We already have several social housing sites in the area.	Aman Mohamed	Aman Mohamed			Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	11:57	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	I'm opposed to it	Ana Costa	No Name No Name (ps)			West End	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	12:42	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3	Oppose	Please see attached letter in preparation for Council's vote this Thursday, March	Susan Williamson	Susan Williamson			I do not live in Vancouver	Appendix A
03/09/2021	13:25	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	Please do not create he worst image of entering downtown Vancouver. As a residence in this area, I will not feel safe anymore since the number of social housing increased. They should be located somewhere outside of urban areas then no one would get harm by them.	Miyuki Ishizaki	Miyuki Ishizaki			Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	13:45	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	Oppose Agebda Item - K3	Hide matsui	Mr Hide Matsui			Unknown	No web attachments.

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03/09/2021	13:52	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan - Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	I'm puzzled with the fact why it will crowd social housing in such congested urban area. My friends and business in the area see more crime every year. Safety in the community should be the top priority.	Nana Kamiya	Nana Kamiya			I do not live in Vancouver	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	14:46	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	This neighbourhood is already home to several sizeable service and social housing sites. Why this neighbourhood again'!	Wen Sun	Wen Sun			Unknown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	14:59	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	This is ruining our City and Businesses. Why aren't we buying hotels like the Patrica Hotel and moving/keeping these risky people towards East Hastings and not in he heart of the entertainment district. Our hotel is suffering, our occupancy is extremely low and our guests don't feel safe leaving he hotel during the day and definitely not at night. if they even want to come back at all, the reviews are being posted with negative content on the area and an unsafe feeling. We have to keep our doors locked to prevent hese risky people from coming inside and when they do make there way in they are hard to remove. Needles and human waist is constan ly being found in the back ally behind the safety needle injection site on Seymour it's not safe to walk these streets anymore. These people are intimidating. One man walking past our Hotel said "welcome to east Hastings, this is our hood now". I am a contributing member of Society, I pay my taxes and work my butt off and I can't even afford to live downtown. Why and how are the people who use drugs, steal and don't pay taxes being built new building, given free drugs and food'! What are there consequences' How are we making hese risky people want to get help or be clean when they are get ing all these perks" Making there lives easy while making the hard working tax contributors feeling unsafe walking to work or home.		Ashley Widaiko	Hotels on Granville St		Renfrew-Collingwood	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	15:16	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	The proposal is absolutely ridiculous I was very surpised to see just how out to lunch you all are. I dont expect much from politicians and the like but somehow you still managed to disappoint. I work in commercial real estate and understand the need for social housing however this is absolutely not the area for it and he fact you habe proposed so much is laughable. The nearby area consists of working professionals with good jobs and many with families. The area is already going downhill with hese proposals as well as safe injection sites (which again I understand he need for but would be much better suited somewhere like the obvious hastings location). By doing this you are telling the exis ing residents you do not care about their opinion, their safety, or the safety of their families. Give your fucking heads a shake and actually think things through before proposing changes wi h major consequences. This area, yaletown especially, is in high demand due to the high quality of housing, being outside of the downtown core where it is a bit cleaner, quieter and safer, as well as the high quality of amenities nearby and you want to ruin all of that. Seriously, please think this through further. I can't imagine you are getting any positive feedback on this at all however I don't expect you all to care as it does not affect you directly and you seem to have very little critical thinking ability. If this goes through it just goes to prove once again that you do not care about your citizens wishes and simple do as you wish. Sincerely disappointed.		Tanner Rybchinsky			Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	15:20	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	I oppose this development. This neighborhood is already home to several sizeable service and social housing sites.	Tristan Jer	Mr Tristan Jer			Mount Pleasant	No web attachments.

03/09/2021	15:54	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	Increasing the social housing on Granville Street will only cause more problems. It is supposed to be an entertainment district full of life, retail, shops and bars. Already the homeless and drug addicts are taking over hat area. Granville Street is dying. Don't vote to increase social housing. Vote for the building proposal that will increase the space for offices/ Commodore Ballroom etc. The city is already no fun enough!! Revitalize Granville as an entertainment district.	Tyson Brooks	Tyson Brooks	Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	17:04	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	Downtown Vancouver was originally designed for residences to live safely with no fears, our city plan has been designed like European cities, why does the current government want to turn this nice city to become a nightmare for peope who have chosen his area to live and work hard to pay for their rent/mortgage " Would the city be more considerate' Why does the city wants to RUIN a developer nice neighbourhood instead of improving it" Are we living backwards""		No Name No Name (ps)	Downtown	Appendix B
03/09/2021	17:07	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	I am very concerned about the proposal to add additional social housing on Granville Street. Displacing people in areas which lack the necessary supports might feel good to those on Council who turn a blind eye to the real impacts these decisions have on the area and the lives of those involves, but doesn't help anyone in the long term. I first moved to Vancouver 6 years ago and have lived Downtown since hen, and I have sadly no iced how this City had deteriorated and has lost its charm and energy. Not only has crime increased (my bag with my textbooks and computer was stolen 2 weeks ago - and later found in the former Howard Johnson on Granville after I had to offer hundreds of dollars as a reward) but the cleanliness and condi ion of the neighbourhood is quite sad. I see school children walking past used needles everyday, the smell on he streets is horrible, and the parks are no longer safe. These are all serious issues, but one major concern is the lack of forward thinking about how to deal with Granville Street - which is one of the main entrances to our City and a street which should be filled with good energy, thriving businesses, and excitement. Granville Street is in horrible condition now, and adding more barriers to businesses (which may be impacted if noise levels have to be reduced due to housing being added onto the street) would be a HUGE mistake for he future of Downtown Vancouver. This is not the location for this - I urge you to oppose the proposal and focus energy on finding ways to revive Granville Street (the major development proposal that was put forward recently would help with this, along with looking into making it a more pedestrian friendly street with increased patio spaces) while finding appropriate spaces for social housing elsewhere. Housing does NOT belong on Granville Street - and regardless, before adding more social housing to this area, the City needs to step up and address the safety and health concerns that Yaletown/Downtown is facing.		Sidney Koshul	Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021		Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	кз		Maryvonne Taft	Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	18:44	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	Keep our community safe, NOT dangerous and worried area. Bring more business on Granville St was used to as entertainment district .		Etsuko morii	Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	18:49	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	I've lived downtown for many years and have seen the growth in social housing which is good. However, there has been an increase in aggressive behavior from drug induced individuals which calls into concerns of safety. Will increased policing apply to this area if this happens. I think the proportion of additional services doesn't make sense with so many in such a small area. As a resident, I strongly oppose.	Amy Yew	Amy Yew	Downtown	No web attachments.

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03/09/2021	19:03	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	I strongly oppose any residen ial development on Granville street.	Maz Artang	Maz Artang			Downtown	No web attachments,
03/09/2021	19:53	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	I am opposing the K3 plan for adding more social housing development in area k3 Granville to drake to helmcken	Porang Deljoui	Mr Deljoui Porang		-	Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	20:40	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	Too many family with young children in area!!	Philip Lau	Philip Lau	None		West End	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	20:41	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan - Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	Absolutely no. Already the crime is very high in this area. We just moved and own an condo in the area and paid a lot of money. My bike got stolen with in a week breaking in to my bike cage and was worth \$6000. There have been many break ins, drug use and thefts. We need to clean up and up lift the area and make it safer and not worse	Pankaj Dhawan	Pankaj Dhawan	Local owner resident and a physician		Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	20:44	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	There are too many families with young children in the area. They are vulnerable.	Doreen Lau	Doreen Lau	None		West End	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	20:59	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	The proposed amendment contradicts Vancouver's sustainability goals. It is not sustainable to squeeze a larger number of social housing units into an area hat is already overrun by social housing. The GED is quickly turning into a slum that rivals Main & Hastings, where tourists and locals feel unwelcome and retail spaces are vacant and boarded up. The GED should be a commercial and entertainment district not the epicenter of a new tuberculosis and Hepatitis C outbreak.	Mary Nguyen	Mary Nguyen			Unknown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	20:59	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	No to K3	Mark Nonni	Mr Mark Nonni	Owner		Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	21:00	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	I do not want Vancouver city to add more social housing development in area K-3.		Yuki Dendo			Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	21:11	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3	Oppose	Pertaining to Public Hearing March 11, 2021 6pm, agenda Item 2 and 3. Opposed to both. Please see attachment for details.	Andrew Liu	Andrew Liu			Downtown	Appendix C

03/09/2021	21:28	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	I am strongly opposed to the proposal to develop the 3 parking lots on Granville St from Drake to Helmcken. This area already has a significant amount of social services for both adults & kids that are struggling along with numerous housing sites & SROs. Along with that there's already one safe drug and injection site on Granville & a safe consumption site on Seymour that's on its way. Before you make the easy dismissal of this email as some form of 'N MBY-ism' I hope you will listen to the incredibly slippery slope you are creating in this area. I have lived in this area for over 20 years, I had no objections to the Covenant House, he low income housing a block away, the seniors/low income housing a few blocks from there, Coastal Health or the Jubilee House. These are all good programs - what I object to is putting so many of these housing & services programs (including two safe drug consumption sites) in that such a small area. The simple fact is whenever you put that many marginalized people into a small area those that victimize these people will be sure to follow (where the largest amount of prey go the predators are sure to follow). The DTES became the DTES because of decisions like this. Moving the DTES to between Granville & Richards is not solving the problem it's just displacing it & it's putting a lot of very good hard working people at risk while you're doing it - and that includes those kids at Covenant House that are trying to make a better life for themselves, the families living in he low-income housing, the seniors that go to The Gathering Place as well as those that live in the penthouses in the towers (I fall into none of those categories for the record). What makes a neighborhood work & safe is balance, a balance families & single people, young & old, those struggling & those that can help. What makes a neighborhood fail & become potentially dangerous is when that balance is tilted to extremes. You are at the brink of creating this extreme here. Where the only ones that are safe are those ha		Ronel Samis		Unknown	No web attachments.
				with private security & the rest of us are ei her at risk or going to be forced to move elsewhere. All of us in this neighborhood whether we're rich, poor, struggling or successful are here because we love this neighborhood for its beauty, its balance & the opportunity it gives us for a good life or the chance to make one. Please don't take that away from us.					
03/09/2021	21:31	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	I was asked to oppose by a friend living that area	Yumiko Takase	Yumiko Takase		Downtown	No web attachments.
03/09/2021	22:06	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	I am strongly opposed to the social housing development in this area as it will clearly affect not only downtown but the surrounding neighbourhoods such as Yaletown and the upcoming bridge district. Already we have seen the infiltration of homeless, drugs and crime in these areas. Chinatown is an example of the economic demise of once a vibrant community due to its proximity to an area of social ills.	John Jue	John Jue		Downtown	No web attachments.

03/10/2021	07:37	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown	Oppose	I will stay silent NO LONGER. I am ADAMANTLY OPPOSED to the City of	Jared Dombrowski	No Name No	 		Downtown	
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		(Granville Street)		K3. The damage that has already been done to my neighbourhood, namely		Ivanic (ps)				attachments.
		(Granvino Grassi)		Granville Street, is unacceptable. I have lived in this area for 16 years and have						attaorimonto.
				witnessed first hand Granville Street going from an enjoyable entertainment street						
				to a disgusting, smelly, unsafe-feeling street I don't even walk on anymore. And						
				this is not only just on Granville Street. The number of people high on drugs						
				loitering in this area, leaving a trail of waste and garbage, is get ing out of control.						
				It's absolutely appalling that the City of Vancouver is letting this happen to this						
				neighbourhood. To say I am disappointed in City Council allowing this to happen						
				over the years is an understatement. I understand we have a problem in our city,						
				but this has got to stop. NO MORE SOCIAL HOUSING DEVELPMENTS IN THIS						
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03/10/2021	08:48	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown	Oppose	Please read the attached submission. Submission to the hearing about K3 re-	Alistair Kent	No Name No	myself		Downtown	
		Official Development Plan – Area K3		zoning Granville Street (Drake to Helmken) My name is Alistair Kent. With my wife		Name (ps)				
		(Granville Street)		and her elderly father, I live just off Granville and Drake, at the Elan Building.						
				Following the take-over of the Howard Johnson hotel, and related degradation of						
				the nearby portions of Granville Street, that are the subject of this hearing, I became disillusioned with the way this city handles its challenges. The DTES						
				situation is bad enough, but to proceed without due and fair consultation of the						
				neighbours was irresponsible. I hold the Mayor and city staff, and other involved						
				government, such as BC Housing, entirely responsible. It was a communication						
				and city planning disaster. You lost your social licence, for now. The south end of						
				this section of Granville Street has in previous city plans been characterized as the						
				gateway to the city, and two 50 storey towers were deemed to begin this entrance						
				to the city along with a pedestrian median on the bridge and a brand new						
				university to top it all. Then, as you enter, you drive or walk into a complete mess						
				of old and new. Images of the DTES squalor come to mind. Now it is time for, and	i					
				demand, change in how the city goes about planning and approving change.						
				Asking for sanction of re-zoning this evening, with very limited planning, is putting						
				the cart before he horse. What is contemplated along Granville is risky if it is not						
				planned very carefully, and if the voices of the community and investors and						
				developers are not actively taken into account. To put it bluntly, you at city hall						
				have lost our trust. We want to re-build it with you. I respectfully request that the re						
				zoning application be put aside, for now. The ideas and concepts may well have						
				merit, but the current details are so vague, and invite so much negativity from the						
				community, that the good goes out with the bad. Most of us are tolerant folk and						
				are quite willing to live alongside people of all stripes, except the small criminal						
				element. What we will not tolerate is poorly conceived plans, and worse, piece-						
				meal approvals or actions hat invite crime into our community. When I first moved						
				downtown, I routinely walked to my downtown office along Granville Street, but in						
				the last few years I've been dismayed by he vagrancy and filth of the blocks in						
				ques ion tonight. Clearly, no developer has had the incentive or support of the city						
				to take on re-development. As an initial step, please form a community advisory						
				board that will work actively alongside city planners and council to develop tangible						
				well balanced and holistic plans for the restoration and re-vitalisation of Granville						
				Street. In my line of business it is the norm to develop detailed and complete						
				feasibility plans fully costed and containing all sorts of environmental and social						
				mitigation plans BEFORE obtaining approval. Why aren't we doing that here'						Appendix D
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03/10/2021	12:04	PH2 - 3. Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan – Area K3 (Granville Street)	Oppose	- Council should be focused on making Granville safer. The streets are filled with homeless encampments, they are on drugs, and it is scary to walk down the street, even during the day you cannot walk on the sidewalk in some areas. There is a noticeable increase in garbage, graffi i, and needles. The entertainment district will no longer be safe at nighttime, and pre-Covid there were young women who come to the area at night, and under the influence Addition of social housing is unwanted Social housing increases crime in the area, people will not want to visit businesses during the day or restaurants and bars at nighttime Loss of the Entertainment District in Vancouver, replaced wi h a second DTES Loss of parking space in the downtown area which is useful for commuters and the film industry Council has yet to implement the other 3 pillars and should focus on this: Prevention, Treatment, and Enforcement. There should be no open drug use. People who OD should be immediately sent to a treatment/rehab centre, instead of back onto the street. Helping them to get a "clean" high is inhumane and short sighted. You are never going to solve the problem completely, but helping drug addicts to get high only attracts more addicts to Vancouver and prolongs their addiction. Our priority should be getting people off drugs and enforcing public decency and public safety laws. Businesses and residents who are not homeless or drug addicts will flee the downtown core. Taxes are very high yet we feel like second class ci izens, as all this Council seems to care about is pandering to drug addicts and poverty pimps. Helping drug addicts get a clean high and then hiding them away in a SRO is not an acceptable solution. Many cities are experiencing the same downtown rot due to government officials only implementing Harm Reduction and ignoring the other 3 pillars. Seattle and San Francisco are prime examples of disaster zones, with taxpayers and businesses fleeing downtown core. Vancouver is not far behind.	Jessica Smart	Jessica Smart		Kitsilano	No web attachments

Across from Emery Barnes Park. My current tenant, who has lived in my unit since 2019, does not feel safe walking past Emery Barnes park at night from her restaurant job. Many residents in the area have complained about the open drug use, dangerous waste, human excrement and discarded needles in this park. The increase in drug use, crime and street disorder began when BC Housing decided to dismantle the tent city at Oppenheimer Park and move these people into social housing at 1176 Granville Street, the former Howard Johnson hotel. 1188 Richards is very close to the safe injection site at 1101 Seymour Street, and 2 blocks from BC Housing at 1176 Granville Street. A videos circulating on social media on June 25th,2020 show a man, high on drugs, exposing his genitals and jumping on a car at the intersection of Granville and Davie Street. This is just down the street from the social housing at 1176 Granville Street.

As a property owner who pays property taxes,I am writing to express my concerns about adding more low income, rental housing in the area K3 (Granville St. from Drake to Helmken). It is clear that the BC government's Housing First strategy of housing homeless individuals on the Granville strip is making Yaletown residents fearful of their neighbourhood

I've had a chance to review BC Housing documents, as well as news articles from CTV and CBC. If past actions are an indicator of future actions, I have serious concerns about adding more social housing along the Granville strip, for the following reasons.

Community Safety

During the COVID-19 pandemic, many people who had been living in Oppenheimer Park were moved into empty hotels in the downtown core, including the Howard Johnson on Granville Street. The decampment from Oppenheimer Park occurred as a result of a public safety order issued by the provincial government. However, BC Housing conceded that there was little public consultation before the move happened. In a BC Housing document dated June 10th, 2020, it states "Now that we have completed the decampment, we are engaging community in a dialogue to address concerns."An email sent from a VPD staff sergeant obtained by CTV News says the department "was not consulted on this development," adding that the department is "now scrambling to keep up."

BC Housing advises people to call 9-1-1 with concerns of aggressive or dangerous behaviour or 604-717-3321 for non-emergency issues related to personal safety or property. One resident complained to police about needles in Emery Barnes Park. He was told to "move to another area". This was reported by CTV news on July 3rd, 2020. A CTV news clip on November 9th, 2020 pointed out there are over 700 police calls a day,

with up to 100 calls waiting on hold to speak to police. Even though there is a neighbourhood response team now in Yaletown, the police are not able to keep up with the volume of complaints. As of February 26th, 2021, the Vancouver police deployed a mobile unit equipped with security cameras to a grocery store at Richards and Robson. This is in response to an increase in violent shoplifting incidents in the area. The irony is that BC Housing considered proximity to grocery shopping and other amenities, when choosing locations for social housing in the downtown core. Continued violent shoplifting will only serve to shut down the few grocery stores in the area, negatively impacting all community members in the area.

Despite the increased police presence in Yaletown through the Neighbourhood Response Teams (NRT), the police acknowledge that there are very few convictions or jail time for illegal behaviour around 1176 Granville Street. These people will end up back on the street, to commit more crimes, and the cycle repeats. Since residents of Oppenheimer Park were moved to the Howard Johnson, police calls in the neighbourhood have apparently increased by more than 400%. On November 13th, 2020, CTV news reported that out of 300 calls to the NRT, 34 weapons were seized, but only 11 charges were recommended to Crown Prosecutors.

Furthermore, the Vancouver Police Department will not increase its police budget for 2021, and is unable to hire 61 new police officers as a result.

Adding more social housing for those with mental health and addiction issues in the Yaletown/Granville strip area will only stress an already overburdened police department. Our safety as a community is at risk, and we need more police presence in the area. Calls to "simply move" are not acceptable to the residents and taxpayers who fund city services. We need more policing services in the area before we can add more social housing. Given police budget constraints, adding more police manpower to patrol Yaletown over what already exists is not an option now.

Lack of Accountability

BC Housing awarded an operating contract for 1176 Granville to Atira Women's Resource Society. Shayne Ramsay is the CEO of the government owned B.C. Housing Corporation. He is married to Janice Abbott is the executive director of the non-profit Atira Womens Resource Society and the chief executive officer of the for-profit Atira Property Management Inc. Having Atira manage these BC housing buildings is a conflict of interest. Where is the oversight and accountability on how Atira is managing the housing of these marginalized individuals? How will Atira be evaluated on their performance? Will Atira be awarded the contracts for future social housing on the Granville strip? Is there a bidding process for the social housing contract? There is no information available I could find on how Atira will be evaluated on its performance as a

property manager for social housing recipients. BC Housing says that it will provide regular, ongoing updates about the operations of the hotels and engage with the public as long term housing solutions start to evolve. I have put in a request to BC Housing to clarify what updates are available about these hotels and what engagement it has had with the public surrounding long term housing solutions.

Lack of Transparency

There has been little public consultation about long –term affordable housing plans are for 1176 Granville Street, and the surrounding K3 area.

110 Residents of Oppenheimer park moved into BC housing at 1176 Granville Street in May 2020. BC housing said that this is temporary supportive housing while long term plans are developed. This is part of a Housing First model, where staff members are available to support residents in various phases of substance abuse. Harm reduction services are also offered on-site. BC Housing also says that the Howard Johnson is fully occupied and the current residents will be given the choice to stay. However, there are future plans to redevelop the property and the adjacent parking lot to provide a mix of affordable housing. How can you provide a mix of affordable housing when residents are given the option to stay? I do not believe this is truly temporary housing if residents are given the option to stay. What is the transition plan to long term housing for the current residents, and what would that look like?

BC Housing states that "Effective October 1, 2020, Atira will be governed by the Residential Tenancy Act and will follow its processes if a resident is engaging or behaving in a manner which is abusive and/or a threat to the mental or physical health or safety of anyone in the building/community or significantly disrupting the quiet enjoyment of other residents or neighbours. For residents that choose not to stay, BC Housing will help them to find shelter or other housing options." The housing operator may end an agreement at any time if a resident is: (1) Engaging or behaving in a manner which is abusive and/or a threat to the mental or physical health or safety of anyone in the building/community; (2) Significantly disrupting the quiet enjoyment of other participants and/or neighbours. Since residents of Oppenheimer Park were moved to the Howard Johnson, police calls in the neighbourhood have apparently increased by more than 400%. How many residents of the Howard Johnson have been evicted on these grounds? There is a lack of responsibility BC Housing and Atira by allowing individuals to stay at the Howard Johnson who are clearly violating terms of the residential agreement.

Furthermore, where will these "tenants" go if they are evicted from BC Housing for their behaviour? People with mental health challenges and addiction issues are difficult to house and need wraparound services. If these people are not willing to comply with

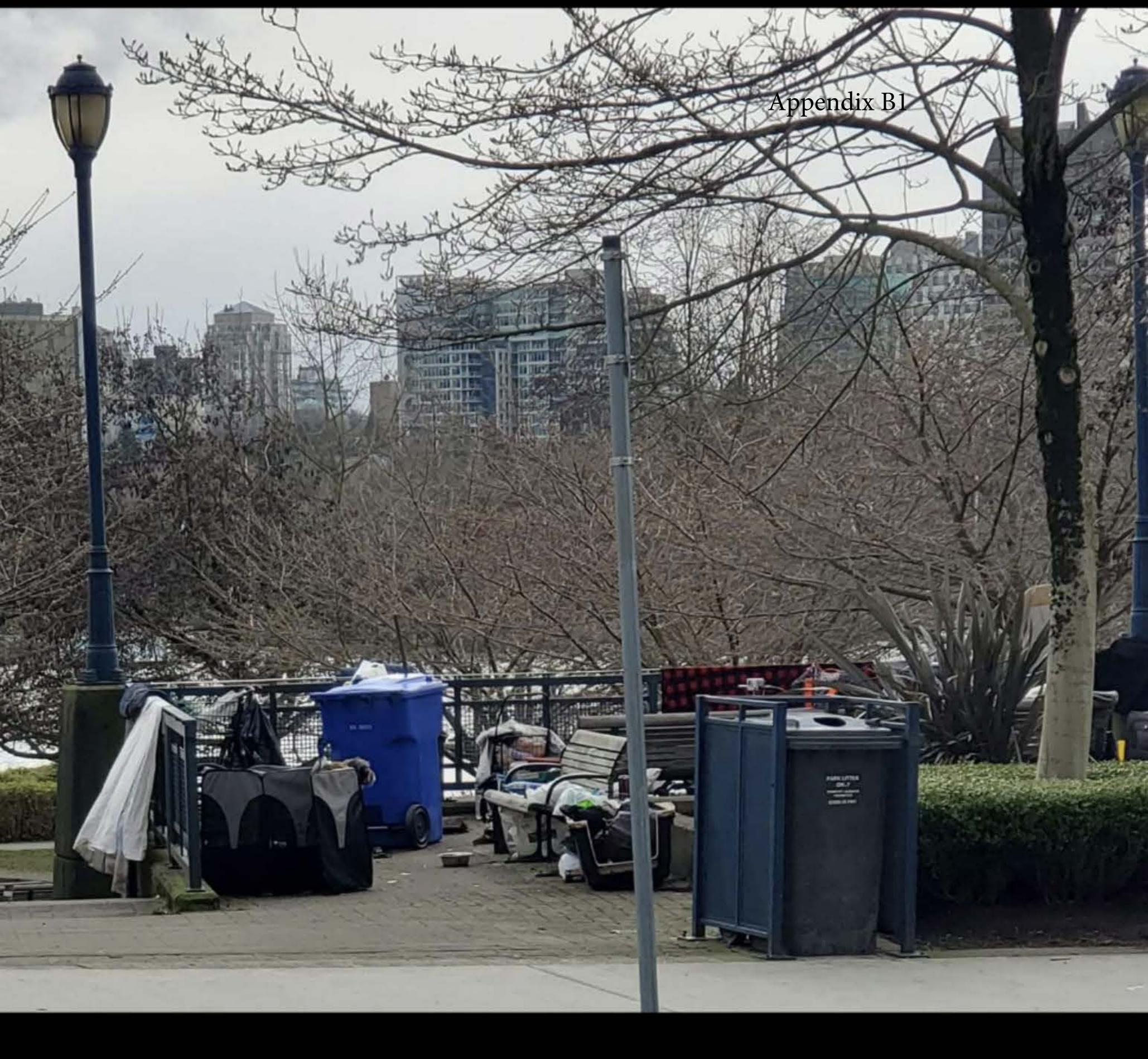
terms of a tenancy agreement, where will they live? I believe that more of these people will end up living in open spaces again, like Emery Barnes Park. You will end up moving one outdoor encampment to another. Rezoning Granville Street to allow for more social housing within walking distance to safe injection sites will increase the number of at risk people in the community who choose not to comply with tenancy regulations.

BC Housing was supposed to set up a community dialogue group that will oversee the supportive housing's integration within the community and will address any concerns raised by people in the neighbourhood. Community Dialogue Group brings together service providers, business and community representatives to communicate how the hotels are operating, how they will be managed, and receive feedback from the community. Where is the information available on the results of discussions with the community dialogue group?

As much as housing is a human right, safety is a human right. BC Housing and Vancouver City Council must balance the safety needs of the community members with those receiving social housing in the Granville corridor. Yaletown has the second highest density of children in Vancouver, a large population of seniors, and with the high density of bike routes, a relatively large population that do not own cars and therefore walk through the neighbourhood. 1176 Granville and the safe injection site at 1101 Seymour Street are very close to a playground and park. You are putting children, seniors and pedestrians at risk by housing residents with high needs, without adequate oversight or support. Consultation and conversation with the community builds trust and support. I feel there is a lack of transparency and community consultation surrounding the long term plan for social housing in the Granville corridor. Please consider the wishes of Yaletown residents and address issues with current social housing residents before increasing the zoning density to allow more social housing.

Regards,

Susan Williamson



Jeanette Lee

I don't know what the media is talking about. They literally just moved across the street so it is over 25m from the daycare center. The fact is that they were never "cleared" and never packed up in the morning after overnight ca... See more

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New campground - 1483 Homer st. Where is this city going



63 Comments







March 09, 2021 Andrew Liu Strata Council Present EPS1231 "TheMark"



RE: City of Vancouver Public Hearing for March 11, 2021

Agenda Items:

- 2) Extension of the Rental Housing Stock Official Development Plan to Require Rental Replacement in C-2, C-2B, C-2C, and C-2C1 Commercial Districts; and
- 3) Amendment to Downtown Official Development Plan Area K3 (Granville Street)

Dear City Councilors,

I, like many other homeowners and landlords around the city, was extremely alarmed when Council adopted the idea to extend the Rental Housing Stock ODP to C-2 zones as part of the approval of the Secured Rental Policy in November 2019 that was intended to incent the building of new rental housing units in Vancouver.

The Changes Are Not Needed!

- The specified zones were specifically exempted from the ODP originally because only
 4% of the rental housing units in the City are in the C-2 areas. In addition, the purpose
 built rental (PBR) buildings in these areas are small with approximately 80% of them
 having 10 or fewer units.
- The City intentionally focused new housing onto commercial arterials to change these neighbourhoods into vibrant mixed-use areas that would support transit, biking and walking.
- Builders were encouraged to build under the existing zoning in C2 areas or through the Rental 100 policy because these areas were ideal for allowing density to alleviate the City's growth pressures.
- There has been a net gain of over 600 rental housing units in the C-2 areas over the last TEN YEARS.
- Council has already passed substantive improvements to the *Tenant Relocation and Protection Policy* in 2019, providing increased support and protection for tenants.

• Where is the evidence to suggest such a drastic change? Has there been significant soliciting on the impact to builders, current rental providers and even lenders?

Impact on Builders, Rental Providers and Lenders

- Extending the Rental Housing Stock ODP to C-2 zones will be a downzoning.
- The City's own consultant found that the value of these proprieties would decrease by between 10% and 50%, depending on the number of rental units in the building under the "Maximum Impact Scenario." Very few property owners can withstand this kind of devaluation especially during this economic downturn with looming rise in inflation.
- It is important to understand that the "Maximum Impact Scenario" is the only scenario given this is how financial institutions will evaluate properties.
- Across the nearly 380 C-2 properties that will be affected by this policy, the <u>lost value</u> will total over \$400- 550 million. This would include small companies and family-owned rental providers who have been paying commercial property taxes to the City for years. How is this supporting the residents of Vancouver?
- This <u>devaluation in property</u> is a critical breaking point for builders and rental providers.
 Builders rely on the equity of their portfolios to finance future projects including PBRs and projects with affordable units. This will force many approved or contemplated projects in these corridors to be frozen.
- If land values decline substantially, a builder may be required to use more equity in order to secure a construction loan. If they do not have these additional funds, these units will not be built. A highly consequential domino effect will happen.
- Owners also use financing to complete much needed building upgrades/maintenance, which is critical now since both the Province and the City are developing policies to incent/mandate building owners to upgrade their buildings seismically as well as to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, increase energy efficiency, and provide electrical vehicle charging. By diminishing land values, you are effectively destroying everyone's financing power to actually make a change for the better.
- While rents have been frozen for tenants providing supports during the COVID-19 pandemic, the cost to operate rental buildings have continues to rise. Property taxes, insurance, and utilities have all increased this move by the City makes it even more difficult for rental providers to operate and upgrade their buildings.
- There are also long-term consequences that will impact the building of new PBR units in Vancouver. As the City's consultant pointed out, this change would not result in more

rental construction nor more condo construction. It will reduce the supply of new homes by reducing the feasibility of projects - undermining the City's ability to achieve its housing targets under the Housing Vancouver Strategy.

I was also equally alarmed and frankly disappointed at how the K3 proposal came to be. Have councilors realized yet how much crime has proportionally increased even just in the Yaletown neighborhood since allowing more social housing to be situated here? Has anyone walked through the streets around K3 and seen with their own eyes how dangerous it has become to be in what was once a very safe and clean area? The VPD have been struggling to keep up with patrolling this area with its already limited budget that has been set by CoV too.

More social housing is NOT an answer to Drug and/or Homeless in Vancouver! This is what you already have:

Hornby Street

1119-The Murray Hotel (87 Rooms)

Howe

- 1060-Metson Shelters- Community Builders (100 rooms)
- 1249 Howe Street March 4, 2021 (110 rooms)

Granville Street

- 1300 The Yale Saloon (43 rooms)
- 1266 Candela Place (62 rooms)
- 1261 Granville Residences (83 rooms)
- 1176 Injection Site at Lugaat (Howard Johnson) (110 rooms)
- 1161 St. Helen's Hotel (100 rooms)
- 1130 Arnold Apartments (42 rooms)
- 1125 Clifton Hotel (74 rooms)
- 1060 Vogue Hotel (80 rooms)
- 1044 / 1048 Regal Hotel (75 rooms)

New Builds

- 594 Davie Vape Shop (corner of Davie and Seymour) women's shelter
- 508 Drake (198 social housing units)
- 1221 Granville-Parking lot by Ramada
- 1250 Granville-Parking lot by Enterprise
- 1176 Granville-Parking lot by Lugaat

Richards Street

- 1099 New Jubilee House (162 rooms)
- 1321 Richard Street / Mennonite Housing Society (87 rooms)

Seymour Street

- 1101 Injection Site and living facilities in building (87 rooms)
- 1302 Covenant House (63 short term rooms)
- 1280 Teen Covenant House (final stages of construction)
- 1225 Coast Mental Health
- 1221 Terra Housing (136 rooms)

Helmcken Street

- 649 Mclaren House (260 rooms)
- 609 Helmcken Gathering Place
- 540- Brookland Court (78 rooms)

How is adding density in this area going to resolve the root cause issues of the drug overdose and homelessness issues in our beautiful city? The K3 area is also the portal into downtown via Granville street bridge which should be equally beautiful and as safe as the Burrard and Cambie bridges – How is a gentrified area of drug use and homeless people going to impact this look? Why aren't funds being better allocated into educational or rehabilitation programs rather than

safe injection sites and shelters? The city has a far bigger concern with even general public education and medical funding.

This cannot keep happening. The city is going to deteriorate beyond hope if the city continues to propose and execute on plans like this which will destroy the values for all residents.

Respectfully,

Andrew Liu, Mechanical Engineer, MBA

Appendix D

Submission to the hearing about K3 re-zoning Granville Street (Drake to Helmken)

My name is Alistair Kent. With my wife and her elderly father, I live just off Granville and Drake, at the Elan Building.

Following the take-over of the Howard Johnson hotel, and related degradation of the nearby portions of Granville Street, that are the subject of this hearing, I became disillusioned with the way this city handles its challenges. The DTES situation is bad enough, but to proceed without due and fair consultation of the neighbours was irresponsible. I hold the Mayor and city staff, and other involved government, such as BC Housing, entirely responsible. It was a communication and city planning disaster. You lost your social licence, for now.

The south end of this section of Granville Street has in previous city plans been characterized as the gateway to the city, and two 50 storey towers were deemed to begin this entrance to the city along with a pedestrian median on the bridge and a brand new university to top it all. Then, as you enter, you drive or walk into a complete mess of old and new. Images of the DTES squalor come to mind.

Now it is time for, and I demand, change in how the city goes about planning and approving change. Asking for sanction of re-zoning this evening, with very limited planning, is putting the cart before the horse. What is contemplated along Granville is risky if it is not planned very carefully, and if the voices of the community and investors and developers are not actively taken into account. To put it bluntly, you at city hall have lost our trust. We want to re-build it **with** you.

I respectfully request that the re-zoning application be put aside, for now. The ideas and concepts may well have merit, but the current details are so vague, and invite so much negativity from the community, that the good goes out with the bad. Most of us are tolerant folk and are quite willing to live alongside people of all stripes, except the small criminal element. What we will not tolerate is poorly conceived plans, and worse, piece-meal approvals or actions that invite crime into our community.

When I first moved downtown, I routinely walked to my downtown office along Granville Street, but in the last few years I've been dismayed by the vagrancy and filth of the blocks in question tonight. Clearly, no developer has had the incentive or support of the city to take on re-development.

As an initial step, please form a community advisory board that will work actively alongside city planners and council to develop tangible well balanced and holistic plans for the restoration and re-vitalisation of Granville Street.

In my line of business it is the norm to develop detailed and complete feasibility plans fully costed and containing all sorts of environmental and social mitigation plans BEFORE obtaining approval. Why aren't we doing that here? These plans require extensive consultation in order to obtain social licence, and then government approval. There's no reason that our city should not conduct its planning in a similar manner.

We have a vested interest in this part of the city succeeding, but we the residents and business owners must be actively involved in the decisions being made at city hall. It is surely our right. So, I repeat my request that you set aside the decision on zoning until the proposed planning exercise can be carried out WITH the involvement of a citizens advisory board.

Thank you for your attention. I would appreciate the opportunity to present this at the hearing.

Alistair Kent P.Eng..

Vancouver.

March 2021

I am a single senior living in a downtown Yaletown condo since 2016 after downsizing from Northshore. I chose to move to Yaletown for its vibrant, diverse, and inter-generational community plus its easy access to the seawall and cultural venues. When I first moved to downtown, I feel very safe walking in my neighbourhood by myself anytime, even late after attending evening performances. Sadly, over time, I start to feel less safe to walk freely in my neighbourhood on my own.

Firstly, I would like to refer to a reported incident on June 26, 2020 by CTV News. Video from Davie and Granville streets Wednesday afternoon shows a half-naked man running into traffic. He climbs onto a vehicle as the driver honks their horn. The man then walks down the street and can be seen picking up a sandwich board and throwing it.

Vancouver police said in an email to CTV News there were multiple 911 calls made about the incident. The man "appeared to be high on drugs and was acting erratically and aggressively" toward passersby, Const. Tania Visintin said.

Unfortunately, this was not a one-off incident. There has been a steady increase in drug related incidents on top of discarded needles, open use of illicit drugs and human feces.

City of Vancouver has earned a great reputation in building a safe, familyoriented community in its downtown core. With over 10,000 children and if the families do not feel safe anymore, they will relocate to the suburbs. This will result in increased traffic load to work downtown and degradation of the vibrancy and diversity of downtown community.

I do not support building new social housing as outlined in the K3 project in the downtown core as I do not believe it is effective in resolving Downtown Eastside and the opioid epidemic. On the contrary, it will drive families and seniors out of the core and the death of Vancouver liveable downtown as we are all proud of.

