

3. CD-1 Rezoning: 1317 Richards Street and 508 Drake Street (Opposed)

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06/12/2021	08:50	PH1 - 3. CD-1 Rezoning: 1317 Richards Street and 508 Drake Street	Oppose	whatever happened to our View Corridors! so everyone can see the mountains"" laughable now, what views, into another crappy looking hi rise. all these buildings are shadow casters, blocking light and sun. yaletown is getting surrounded by 35+storey buildings. enough is enough. side note, i wanted to enclose 300sq' on my balcony, city hall said NO, now 7 high rises have been added, since applying. then you add the future buildings going on the east side of granville bridge, opposite the vancouver house. this city is turning into a generic hi rise city. the charm and views are getting sucked out! if we need social housing, build a 10 storey, or, add to the plaza of nations. i believe there are many more options. if this building gets added, it will be the 5th or 6th hi rise in approx. a 2 block square. and the 4th tower on that corner. getting tired of the developers running this city, then putting up faulty towers, so they can make more money. we must do better to preserve this city, i don't want a junior surrey, toronto or new york here. can our infrastructure even handle it"" as someone who has lived downtown since 1984, can we just let our city breathe. why do we have to keep expanding and growing"" for the wealthy. what's going to happen when the westend gets it redeveloped"" are we just going to have every building at 35+ storeys, basically building a solid wall/core of hi rises, isn't that attractive. come to vancouver, can't see the mountains, the water or the sun! you don't even have yaletown on your list as a neighbourhood, are we now listed as DOWNTOWN. i really hope this 39 story doesn't get the go ahead! thank you.	joel james ransom		"s 22(1) Personal d C f d t l"	Downtown	No web attachments.
06/13/2021	22:22	PH1 - 3. CD-1 Rezoning: 1317 Richards Street and 508 Drake Street	Oppose	I oppose the current proposal because it is massive, and includes no clearly described plans for mitigating social and medical crises that are likely to occur in the suggested very high (90%) proportion of seniors and disabled. No information is offered as to where the tenants will come from. The jump in FSR to 14 has no logic behind it. In the same way that K3 re-zoning was recently deferred until a better plan can be developed, this also needs much more thought and justification, and preferably downsizing or re-location to another area that does not already have a disproportionate amount of social housing. We residents have enough on our plates dealing with the social upheavals occurring on Granville Street and environs. Perhaps this development would be better sited in the DTES where surely the need for decent new housing is much greater. What is the track record of MCYH in running such a large social housing building? The description talks about amenities for worship and child-minding, but what about special needs of seniors and disabled folk, which presumably will include many with mental disorders and addictions. While the Church's intentions are laudable, it is not easy to see how such a high density of needy people can be well served in such a high concentration. There is no well laid out plan described. Further, I have to say that we residents are fed up with out of control construction and city road and utility works that have plagued our area for the last decade, especially the last 4 years. It's time to slow down and put a more measured paced plan in place. There is way too much piece -meal planning being fostered by city planners. The recent K3 rejection was surely a signal that the city needs to take a few steps back and consider the needs of existing residents. By all means build more social housing, but why in such an extreme high rise mode in an already saturated area' t just seems out of place. I do not understand why a 100% social housing justifies breaking all the rules. Please ask the Church and MCYH to go back to the drawing board and come up with a much more moderate sensible proportionate plan, or go elsewhere. This requires some common sense, not just adherence and exceedance of planning rules that are clearly not able to strike a reasonable proportionate balance. Respectfully submitted.	Alistair Kent		"s 22(1) Personal d C f d t l"	Downtown	No web attachments.
06/14/2021	09:55	PH1 - 3. CD-1 Rezoning: 1317 Richards Street and 508 Drake Street	Oppose	The core of downtown is becoming a conglomerate of glass towers, no sense of community. The increasing skyline and so close to major connectors (bridges) is of concern as the streets are becoming more narrow , larger density - is anyone thinking of the impact on ability for emergency response in case of an earthquake or other disasters' Also, is the city aiming to create a new downtown east-side in this area and the west-end where drug abuse and violence have been on the rise; lack of green space and spaces for families with children is of concern. At least don't build so high - once we could see the mountains. we can no longer enjoy that, the wind-tunnels are increasing, as a result of unplanned and environmentally uncaring development driven by developer greed the city and in this area in particular is seeing more and more fog; what if anything about these new builds is environmentally friendly - nothing and they continue to be ever so expensive under the veil of "rental, low income, social housing" - do councillors not see any of this' or because these developments are not happening at your door-step it doesn't matter. I hope there is a vision for vancouver's well-being over a longer period of time and not only the next few years! vancouver was once a city everyone wanted to live in - less and less so. And this development is a prime example of why this is the case along with hundreds that are popping up or have already been built.	Mirna Zagar		"s 22(1) Personal and Confidential"	Unknown	No web attachments.