

2. CD-1 Rezoning: 534-550 Cambie Street - OPPOSED

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11/22/2021	15:01	PH1 - 2. CD-1 Rezoning: 534-550 Cambie Street	Oppose	<p>I am a 40 year old married, father of two and we live at 531 Beatty St directly behind the proposed building. I grew up in North Delta to working class parents, that had to struggle through tough times to keep food on the table, but we were (and are) always close and always had a strong connection to Vancouver and proud of what it meant to call the City our home. Even though my parents had very little money, we would drive into the city to go out for dinner in Gastown, at The Spaghetti Factory, or to see a movie at the MAX theatre in the Convention Centre. As a young kid, it always felt like downtown was such a long way away from Delta but when we would cross over the Cambie Street and the view of the Harbour Centre came into view it was always so magical and intoxicating. The sacrifices my parents had to make to be able to afford such a luxury is now more evident as I have my own family, than I knew back then but they are memories that will stay with me for ever and have shaped the man, father and husband I am today. As a family today we have made the decision to live and work downtown, go car-free, so that we can be close together and be together as much as possible. My children attend Crosstown Elementary and we are proud to call our neighbourhood home. We have sacrificed our own financial freedom to live in the downtown core, because it is important that we are able to have family meals together and not have to commute long hours to afford a different lifestyle in the suburbs like my parents did in North Delta. Part of that choice was to provide a home where my children can feel connected to the community in which they live and a big part of that is our access to sunlight. The proposed design of the building will completely remove the only sunlight we have between the Spring and Fall Equinox and further alienate my family's connection to the city and neighbourhood we call home. We are active members of our community. I President of the Crosstown Elementary's executive PAC. I sit on the Community Advisory Committee board for the Larwill Place Temporary Modular Housing. I am a member of the Crosstown Community Project and application to create a Crosstown BIA. I am the President of the Vancouver Hoo-Hoo #48, which is a group of Forestry Members that has been active in our community for over 50 years. As I mentioned, my wife and I also work downtown and have for over 10 years. Choosing to walk to work every day instead of driving a car from further out. I hope you will take the time to consider what this project would mean to our my family's and our neighbours' well-being, our connection to the city we love and our general mental and emotional health.</p>	Matthew Burke	s.22(1) Personal and Confidential	Downtown	Appendix A
11/23/2021	10:37	PH1 - 2. CD-1 Rezoning: 534-550 Cambie Street	Oppose	<p>To Whom it May Concern, I have a been a renter (3 years) and then owner (8 years) at 531 Beatty St for a total of 11 years. I live and work in downtown and love calling Beatty Street my home. Amidst all the constant colourful (and sometimes challenging) activity, I can always still see why I chose to call this my home. I often find great value simply spending time on the patio of our shared outdoor sun garden space at the building (which faces cambie) or enjoying the afternoon sun in my bedroom (which faces Cambie). The recent application to develop at 534-550 Cambie leaves me feeling less than optimistic about the future of my "home" and shows the city is not considering residents in this process. While I'm realistic in knowing there will always be noise, construction and development close to me, the drawings I have seen speak a new story to me. My new fear is loss of sunlight and overall exposure to daylight in my home due to the massive size and height of the building. The development proposal at 534-550 Cambie will not only vastly cutdown on my exposure to light, it will decrease living enjoyment for all that live in our building which includes many families and children who use the outdoor deck garden space which would be shadowed and blocked in by thr proposed building. In the rear of our building (which faces Cambie) there is a patio/garden. If the development at 534-550 Cambie moves forward, the building's shared sun patio will ironically never see sunlight again. As somebody who struggles with minimal sunlight during our winters, I now also worry about the loss of light year round. I strongly urge the city to reconsider the steps they are taking in allowing further developments of this size / height to take place in our neighbourhood. This adjustment to zoning is simply catering to more skyrisers in an area which is not zoned to have such structures. This is unacceptable considering peoples homes, families, mental health and work revolve around calling this area home. I STRONGLY urge council and decision makers in this process to see how damaging this would be to the neighbourhood. I have attached photos showing late afternoon sun coming into my bedroom which would be 100% blocked out by the proposed structure. I ask all involved to please take a moment to reflect on the impact your decisions in adjusting this zoning to meet corporate needs would make on those many residents who call the area home. There is no reason to adjust or alter the current zoning and our home and lives are being used pawns in this proposal. Sincerely, Scott Woodworth All four pictures show the later afternoon and early evening sunlight coming through my cambie facing window. I'm on the 6th floor and can confirm all sunlight which currently shines onto the cambie side of our building would be blocked for residents and would also completely block light from hitting our shared garden space on the 2nd floor shared outdoor patio/BBQ area.</p>	Scott		Downtown	Appendix B







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