

#### 4. CD-1 Rezoning: 1406-1410 East King Edward Avenue - Support

Date Received	Time Created	Subject	Position	Content	Name	Organization	Contact Info	Neighbourhood	Attachment
06/10/2022	11:48	PH1 - 4. CD-1 Rezoning: 1406-1410 East King Edward Avenue	Support	I work and live in the neighborhood and we need community driven projects like these that support community members living in these neighborhoods. We need more supportive and affordable rentals. We also need rentals for families, youth, and elders. Please consider all the individuals that are unable to afford to live in areas that they work in. We need more projects like this.	Andre Bessette		s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential	Grandview-Woodland	No web attachments.
06/10/2022	13:45	PH1 - 4. CD-1 Rezoning: 1406-1410 East King Edward Avenue	Support	I am writing on behalf of Brightside Community Homes Foundation express our full support for the rezoning application for 1406 and 1410 E King Edward Ave. The 100+ homes it will provide are critically needed, and the unit mix of both affordable rental homes and homes with supports will play an important role in homelessness mitigation. We are especially glad to hear that Vancouver Native Housing Society has been selected to operate the project as VNHS plays an important role in ensuring equitable and culturally safe homes for Vancouver's urban Indigenous residents. Brightside has seven decades of experience with social housing. With 22 buildings throughout Vancouver rented almost exclusively at rent-geared-to-income rates and four additional affordable housing redevelopment projects currently at various stages of construction, we have an intimate understanding of the need for additional affordable, secured rental housing. We place strong emphasis on the importance of a vibrant and healthy community and appreciate the value of a fluid housing continuum that provides safe and dignified homes for every resident of the city. Vacancy rates for truly affordable rental homes remain at record lows, and with homelessness on the rise, the combination of supportive and affordable housing this rezoning application proposes would have a significant positive impact on the community and on helping mitigate homelessness. Brightside supports this proposal and encourages Vancouver City Council to do so as well. Sincerely, William Azaroff Chief Executive Officer BRIGHTSIDE COMMUNITY HOMES FOUNDATION	William Azaroff	Brightside Community Homes Foundation		Strathcona	Appendix A
06/13/2022	11:14	PH1 - 4. CD-1 Rezoning: 1406-1410 East King Edward Avenue	Support	See attached	Marcel Lawson Swain	Lu'ma Native Housing Society		Unknown	Appendix B
06/13/2022	11:45	PH1 - 4. CD-1 Rezoning: 1406-1410 East King Edward Avenue	Support	I very much support the development of this application in order to provide much needed housing (109 units) for Vancouver's homeless. Please expedite this project along with the many others that will provide for this housing spectrum sooner that the system is currently providing for.	Sean Ruthen			Mount Pleasant	No web attachments.
06/13/2022	13:04	PH1 - 4. CD-1 Rezoning: 1406-1410 East King Edward Avenue	Support	To: Vancouver City Council For: June 14, 2022 public hearing on 1406-1410 East King Edward Avenue From: Nora D Randall s. 22(1) Personal and Confidential support the application but I want to limit the height to 8 stories for the following reason: It will stick out like a sore thumb and possibly make a target of the people living in the building. Please consider these facts: 1. South of King Edward Avenue it would be the only 14 story building for a considerable distance (Gladstone and Kingsway to 41st and Cambie nearest high rises) 2. On the block where it's to be built it is surrounded by 2 story houses and a park. 3. On the north side of King Edward Avenue there is a development that has an 8 story tower on the corner of Knight, so they could match in height and have some relationship to the surrounding buildings. 4. On the south, east and west it is totally surrounded by two story houses as far as the eye can see. I refer you to the Kensington-Cedar Cottage Community Vision, published in 1999. From page 5 'there should be new forms of housing around the Knight and Kingsway and Victoria and 41st neighbourhood centres. This would include rowhouses, four- and sixplexes, and duplexes, and housing designed for seniors, to provide a greater range of housing choices for all ages.' There is already some Indigenous housing and services in our area, but they don't stick out, they are part of the community. In closing I think this is a good area for low income housing because we have 3 major bus routes, and goods and services as well as elementary schools within walking distance. Eight stories would have more of a chance of blending in and contributing to the success of the project. Thank you.	Nora D Randall	neighbour representing self		Kensington-Cedar Cottage	No web attachments.
06/13/2022	14:15	PH1 - 4. CD-1 Rezoning: 1406-1410 East King Edward Avenue	Support	I support this housing. A paradox in Vancouver is people often oppose new housing for being too expensive. When low-barrier housing is proposed, they also oppose that. I have kids at a nearby elementary a few hundred metres away and I have no concerns. The building design is attractive and extensive consultation has take place. The same people who oppose this affordable housing will criticize the city when poor and disabled folks take up residency in parks. Let's exempt these types of projects from the often discriminatory public comment process and get this project build.	Hilary Thomson			Kensington-Cedar Cottage	No web attachments.
06/13/2022	15:58	PH1 - 4. CD-1 Rezoning: 1406-1410 East King Edward Avenue	Support	I support the affordable housing project at 1406 / 1410 King Edward Ave, Vancouver needs increased affordable housing options to support the housing crisis	Adam Bent			Mount Pleasant	No web attachments.

June 10, 2022

## **Re. Brightside Support for 1406 and 1410 E King Edward Ave Rezoning Application**

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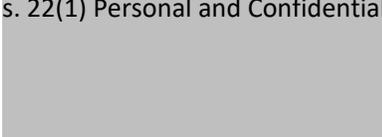
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Sincerely,

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Chief Executive Officer  
BRIGHTSIDE COMMUNITY HOMES FOUNDATION



# Appendix B

## Lu'ma Native Housing Society

*(translated from Salish as: New Beginnings)*

June 12, 2022

Vancouver City Mayor & Council Members  
City Hall  
453 West 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Vancouver, BC  
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**Letter of Support–Vancouver Native Housing Society**  
**1406/1410 East King Edward Street, Vancouver, BC**

Dear Mayor & Council,

On behalf of Lu'ma Native Housing Society we are writing in support of the proposed housing development coming before City Council for approval on June 14, 2022.

Since 1980, the Lu'ma Group of Companies has developed, owned and operated more affordable housing units, modular unit/supportive housing units, and hotel units in the City of Vancouver. We understand that this project will provide over 100 homes, 50 of which will be affordable and 50% supportive.

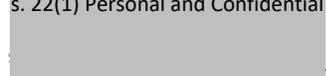
The 1406/1410 East King Edward Avenue project will provide much needed supportive and affordable residences for the Indigenous community. Worth noting is that many Indigenous individuals and families work local, however, due to the lack of housing are forced to commute long distances. Further to that, there are also many that struggle to pay unaffordable rents. From our firsthand experience, we have seen families stabilized and thrive because all that is needed is stable housing. Many families are faced with having to relocate often due to property owners selling rental properties resulting in families needing to relocate often which is very stressful. The disruption this causes for school aged children having to change schools frequently is not ideal.

We also operate supportive housing and can attest to the great services this provides. Most tenants just need a few supports to experience stability and positive tenancies. The demographic who needs this housing is only growing and many of whose lives are transformed, especially when connected to culture and supports. We cannot say enough about how life saving/changing supportive housing can be for tenants.

As council needs to balance between opposing sides, please consider that there are extensive waitlists in Vancouver for all housing types in the housing continuum. The non-profit housing provider has devoted a lot of work on the submission to get to this stage and are a well experienced Society. Vancouver Native Housing has developed and operated a significant number of projects in the City of Vancouver. This would be a worthwhile project for the Indigenous community and hope it sees final approval.

Yours truly,

LU'MA NATIVE HOUSING SOCIETY  
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Marcel Lawson Swain,  
CEO

Celebrating 38 years of service to the Aboriginal Community

Aboriginal Homelessness Initiative Host Agency

Lu'ma Native BCH Housing Society

Community Voice Mail (CVM) Host Agency

First Funds Society (A Registered Charity)

Aboriginal Patients' Lodge (Awarded Best Practice)

Lu'ma Medical Centre Society

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