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PH 1 - 6. CD-1 Rezoning: 1925 Southeast Marine Drive - Oppose

Date Received	Time Created	Subject	Position	Content	Author Name	Neighborhood	Attachment
2023-02-14	00:16	PH 1 - 6. CD-1 Rezoning: 1925 Southeast Marine Drive	Oppose	<p>I oppose this project. I cannot see how from any practical perspective that a multi-storey tower with single occupancy rooms for 72 people with mental health and addiction issues works in a residential neighbourhood.</p> <p>In addition, this BC Housing proposal does not include any of the very necessary services, on site supports or help these residents would need. In addition, I understand that even if there were supports and help available, not one of the people in the building is required to sign up for them. This complete lack of common sense really makes me shake my head in disbelief.</p> <p>As a result, the residents are left to fend for themselves, and our neighbourhood, children and families in small single detached homes that are forced to deal with the inevitable problems, chaos and public safety concerns that come with this housing model.</p> <p>I am urging you to rethink this proposal and find a project that better fits and is scaled to our neighbourhood. Please vote this project down. Thank you.</p>	Dan Jennings	Victoria-Fraserview	

2023-02-14	00:22	PH 1 - 6. CD-1 Rezoning: 1925 Southeast Marine Drive	<p>Dear Mayor and Councillors,</p> <p>I am writing to OPPOSE this rezoning. The proposed BC Housing rezoning for 1925 SE Marine Dr raises more questions than answers, and the more I read about this proposal the less I support it.</p> <p>How can anyone think putting 72 people with severe mental health and addiction issues into a residential neighbourhood, with on-site no supports or services, is a good idea, or something that will make life better for the people who live in this housing development, and their neighbours, like me and my family?</p> <p>This is nothing but a failed model taken right out of the downtown eastside, and we have seen from so many news reports that this housing model of congregate supportive housing clearly does not work.</p> <p>At the same time, like other Vancouverites I am very concerned about public safety these days and the growing number of random attacks by people who should be in mandatory care.</p> <p>This is a residential neighbourhood made up mostly of families. Please say NO to this BC Housing proposal and have everyone rethink the sort of social or supportive housing that could work at 1925 SE Marine Dr.</p>	martyn robinson	Victoria-Fraserview	
			<p>Victoria Drive Housing Project</p> <p>I am opposed to this project due to the (1) non-legally binding memorandum of understanding with BC Housing and (2) the manner in which the surrounding neighbourhood is cut out of meaningful engagement and development of this housing project.</p> <p>This is a new City Council. You do not have to repeat the mistakes of the previous one. The ABC Party has a mandate for public order with the acquisition of 100 additional police officers and psychiatric nurses. Please go further and demand manageable and safe housing options for those with mental health and addiction issues.</p> <p>Douglas Todd of the Vancouver Sun recently had an excellent article about his father, addled with schizophrenia, could live his life and blend into the neighbourhood by living in a small boarding house (https://vancouversun.com/opinion/columnists/would-my-dad-have-survived-todays-mental-health-system-probably-not).</p>			

2023-02-14	07:30	PH 1 - 6. CD-1 Rezoning: 1925 Southeast Marine Drive	Oppose	<p>To make a comparison, this is similar to what BC public school teachers achieved by having smaller classroom sizes. A teacher, despite having a dedicated teaching assistant, needs a smaller group size in order to know, understand the needs of and adapt teaching style in order for the students to best learn. Why do we expect adults with significant cognitive disabilities to need less, especially if they have had decades of neglect?</p> <p>Regardless of how good you think a non-profit agency is, they are made up with people with limitations. They need a reasonable work load in order to produce good results.</p> <p>Not only is the warehouse approach is wrong, it doesn't build relationships and community within the building and the neighbourhood. An excellent example comes from the Phillipines where multiple Christian groups, including Campus Crusade for Christ and Habitat for Humanity, built homes for people living in slums. They acquired funding to build 50 homes at a time. Before building homes, 12 to 18 months was spent with the future residents to educate them on Christian ideals (you can substitute civil behaviour here) and relationship building. This was key to give people a new beginning. Otherwise, you bring slum behaviour into new housing project and create a new slum. This is the opportunity to bring new neighbours to meet others and find ways to belong to the neighbourhood. This is transformative housing.</p> <p>At the heart of it, people are fearful of their neighbourhoods being transformed into slums, with crime, violence and open drug use. It's already happened in Vancouver, and from the evasive performances from City staff and BC Housing at the West 8th and Arbutus public hearing, we know that officials don't care, just get the unit numbers and claim success.</p> <p>Demand a new attitude in transforming lives of the disadvantaged and don't add to the growing distrust that residents of Vancouver have for their local politicians.</p>	Z Wazywanga		
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2023-02-13	23:56	PH 1 - 6. CD-1 Rezoning: 1925 Southeast Marine Drive	Oppose	<p>I can't believe I am writing to you, I have never done this before, but I cannot sit by and watch the proposed BC Housing proposal for 1925 SE Marine Dr get any traction at city hall.</p> <p>The idea of putting 72 people with serious issues into single rooms in a tower right in the middle of a residential neighbourhood makes no sense. Add to that the growing concern we have as Vancouverites about public safety and the growing number of random violent assaults. How is this project, with no services or help for the residents, expected to make the neighbours like me feel? This looks and feels like chaos and while BC Housing can pack up and leave once their building is finished, myself and my neighbours, including the families that live in this immediate neighbourhood from this proposal, are left to pick up the pieces and deal with the ongoing issues this proposal is sure to bring to our community.</p> <p>Let's make the smart, practical choice that genuinely helps the people that need it, and also pays attention to the people who already live here. Please vote No to this proposal.</p>	Chio Chang	Victoria-Fraserview	
				<p>I am a resident who lives in close proximity to this proposed development and I and my family are apposed to this proposed rezoning based on a number of factors.</p> <p>HOUSING MODEL / TYPE SHOULD BE CHANGED: -The housing model should be changed to be for only seniors. -This location does not have any services or amenities nearby which are necessary to be in place to provide care for those living in a supportive housing model. Such as counseling, medical care, rehabilitation for those experiencing metal health and, or substance abuse issues. -Focus should not just be on providing not just shelter for people but also providing care and treatment for those needing it.</p> <p>TRAFFIC HAZARDS ALONG MARINE DR: -Traffic along this area of Marine drive is very heavy and typically travels at a high rate of speed. Especially traffic going East bound, the Marine dr. curves to the West of Beatrice reducing visibility of this section of road, making it very dangerous for people who may try to cross Marine dr. mid-block, especially if the are under the influence of some substances.</p> <p>HEIGHT, SETBACKS & MASSING OF PROPOSED BUILDING: -Regardless of the type of housing model may be approved in this location I feel that the size and massing of the proposed building is out of scale with the adjacent neighborhood.</p>			

2023-02-13	17:10	PH 1 - 6. CD-1 Rezoning: 1925 Southeast Marine Drive	Oppose	<p>-The application is asking for a relaxation of the max. building height of 25m (82ft). This is equivalent to an 8-story building, not 6 story which is what the rezoning is asking for. A minimum of (x1) floor level should be removed from the building.</p> <p>-Additionally, the floor-to-floor heights in the residential floors should be reduced from (3.35m (11ft) to 3m (10') (even with modular constructions this would allow for 8ft clear ceiling heights in the studio units.</p> <p>-The Main floor ceiling height should be reduced from 4.27m (14ft) to 3.35m (11ft).</p> <p>-These measures would bring the total height of the building down to around 19.9m (65ft) which is more in line with a typical 6 story building.</p> <p>-Proposed set back from S/W corner of the building to the property line is only 675mm (26.5inches). This seems to be extremely close to the property line given the height of the building.</p> <p>-The set back from the N/E corner of the building to the East property line is 4.22m, so the West setback should be increase accordingly.</p> <p>-Lastly the East and West ends of the building should be stepped back on the upper floors to help reduce the impact of the building height on the adjacent single-family homes.</p> <p>CLEAR CUTTING OF THE EXISTING TREES: -It is very disappointing that every single mature tree on the property is proposed to be cut down for this development. This further takes away from the character of the neighborhood.</p> <p>I hope the concerns of the existing residences of this neighborhood are considered when this rezoning application is reviewed.</p> <p>Thank You</p>	Greg Smith	Victoria-Fraserview
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2023-02-14	14:52	PH 1 - 6. CD-1 Rezoning: 1925 Southeast Marine Drive	Oppose	<p>This is yet another example of David Eby's failed BC Housing model.</p> <p>SRO occupancy that excludes couples, families, especially children - what we need the most of in this City is housing for children. .</p> <p>Council should develop recovery oriented housing, not this, David Eby's failed housing first model with free drugs. Follow the science people, not David Eby's poverty industry guidelines, making friends of BC Housing CEO's wealthy while the poor get worse. Recovery oriented housing is what is needed, NOT THIS.</p>	Sean Finnan	Kitsilano	
2023-02-14	09:48	PH 1 - 6. CD-1 Rezoning: 1925 Southeast Marine Drive	Oppose	<p>I strongly OPPOSE this building being done in this neighbourhood! Our garage was invaded just before Christmas & to think this area was safe before. With this building it will just add chaos to the area. If this building is catering the individuals that are in a verge of homelessness, don't you think that they will do anything in their surroundings to get what they want? That being said, the current homeowners are in danger that their home will be or can be INVADDED anytime, just like what happened to OUR HOME. Down in Kent avenue/street, there are parked cars there that seemed to be abandoned, and that is just the start as that can get worse once people know they can do that there. Marine drive itself is already so crowded with multiple accidents, why add to this and make it more dangerous to the people living their already. This area is home to many children & geriatric population, if this building is built, it won't be a safe neighbourhood anymore.</p>	Emery Engano	Victoria-Fraserview	
2023-02-14	14:37	PH 1 - 6. CD-1 Rezoning: 1925 Southeast Marine Drive	Oppose	<p>I'm opposing the proposal My concerns are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drug Sales in the Area Loss of Community feel Increased number of Crime Increased Risk for Kids on Street Loss of Property Value <p>I would focus on rather the Senior Home over social housing</p>	jacky fok	Victoria-Fraserview	

2023-02-14	13:42	PH 1 - 6. CD-1 Rezoning: 1925 Southeast Marine Drive	Oppose	<p>I oppose the social housing building between Beatrice and Victoria on Marine. The entire East and South Vancouver is highly populated, with several young families, students and workers in this area. This is because most people in this location are law abiding citizens that have worked to keep our environment safe. We fear that bringing in a social housing building, will change the narrative of this calm and quiet environment, as it will increase crime and disturbances such as noise.</p> <p>It would be more beneficial for the government to build a senior's housing instead, because of how calm and quiet the neighborhood is. The building I live in has a good number of elderly people that are able to take long strolls to the Fraser river, and we would like to keep it same - and even extend this to more elderly people in our society.</p>	Deborah Motilewa	South Cambie	
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