

PH 1 – 1. Industrial Modernization and Intensification Framework – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law - Other

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2023-12-12	11:19	PH 1 – 1. Industrial Modernization and Intensification Framework – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Other	<p>Asked to comment the day before, sorry this is day of, as email from COV only arrived yesterday.</p> <p>While this is encouraging and in general a great idea and good process where is the Policy to Include Art, Artist, and Live/Work Spaces for Artists in residential areas of Vancouver like the West End.</p> <p>I draw Staff and Council's attention to the WEST END PLAN which included a 3 page chapter on Arts & Culture with a number of suggestions for a community, which at the time included 4,000 plus artist in a population of 40,000 folks.</p> <p>Today we see the new Towers, yet no evidence of the suggested Arts & Cultural spaces, that included an Art Strip on Robson, possible laneway artist live/work spaces and more.</p> <p>Many artists have left the neighbourhood and city.</p> <p>The Old Landmark Hotel on Robson, we attend the final Building Planning meeting suggesting 1200 square feet for community arts space, developer, architect and approving committee were in agreement, for staff to respond saying "there is no policy to support this", so it did not happen.</p> <p>A full city block on the suggested/designated Art Strip on Robson, now two luxury towers with Affordable Housing on the laneway, but no artist gathering space.</p> <p>Is there now policy or spaces ?</p> <p>Locations close to home are important.</p> <p>1000 Parker St is unique, how are we planing and creating policy to replace and expand these spaces, not just into outlying industrial neighbourhoods per todays hearing, but more into residential neighbourhoods of higher density community artists, like the West End ?</p> <p>Is there a West End Community Art Plan, or a new policy to support Community Art Spaces...</p> <p>While todays hearing helps, where is the policy to ensure more new building do not go up without needed Community Arts spaces within the community.</p> <p>Thank you</p>	John Hewson	West End	Attachment 1

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We expected action to honour hundred of folks giving time to provide city staff direction.

West End Plan ~ Page 85, Arts & Culture ~ [https://guidelines\[.\]vancouver\[.\]ca/policy-plan-west-end.pdf](https://guidelines[.]vancouver[.]ca/policy-plan-west-end.pdf)

Community Consultation 2015 ~ [https://youtu\[.\]be/5WxCUxaSEpU?si=2L3kxNNBqP6AV-wO](https://youtu[.]be/5WxCUxaSEpU?si=2L3kxNNBqP6AV-wO)

Community Vision 2017 ~ [https://youtu\[.\]be/nAt_blnX9Xg?si=amygTvpQB-Cslmq7](https://youtu[.]be/nAt_blnX9Xg?si=amygTvpQB-Cslmq7)

What progress since 2015 ??