

Rezoning: 1401-1455 East 49th Avenue - Oppose

Date Received	Time Created	Subject	Position	Content	Author Name	Neighborhood	Attachment
2025-11-12	16:21	Rezoning: 1401-1455 East 49th Avenue	Oppose	Opposing vehemently the proposed rezoning on Fleming School property.	Manik Chaskar	Victoria-Fraserview	
2025-11-12	16:29	Rezoning: 1401-1455 East 49th Avenue	Oppose	City should protect green space and make the land available to School children to play. If the rezoning application by the developer is approved it would only mean that neither the VSB - Vancouver school board, nor the City cares for Elementary School children and the residents in the vicinity. The land would be forever lost under the building and would adversely affect the surrounding. Money and short sited decision will be in full display.	Vinay Chaskar	Victoria-Fraserview	
2025-11-12	19:22	Rezoning: 1401-1455 East 49th Avenue	Oppose	I Strongly oppose the rezoning of Fleming Elementary land for many reasons. One being - This school is already over capacity and if rezoning is approved by the City that would remove vital green and play space for current and future students.	Sarang Jishi		
2025-11-12	19:32	Rezoning: 1401-1455 East 49th Avenue	Oppose	I am an elementary school teacher myself and know fully well the importance of playing area for the students. If city approves the rezoning that would mean no green space and playing area. Moreover the rezoning would permanently and adversely alter the lives of all residents in this neighborhood. Certain things shouldn't be compromised for the sake of money and this is one of those things-	Manasi Chaskar Joshi	Victoria-Fraserview	
2025-11-13	16:02	Rezoning: 1401-1455 East 49th Avenue	Oppose	Please find attached a petition with 888 signatures in opposition. https://www[.]change[.]org/p/vancouver-school-board-save-green-space-for-kids-at-sir-sandford-fleming-elementary?source_location=petition_update_page	Heman Metha	Sunset	Appendix A

Save green space for kids at Sir Sandford Fleming Elementary

Fleming Site
South Portion
Approximate
Area 2450 m²

888

Verified signatures

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The Issue

Hi Everyone,

The old Fleming School building is being demolished and VSB is trying to mark the South portion of that land as a "Surplus" in order to sell it or lease it.

We would like to request the neighbors living in this community to fill out the survey and express their thoughts on the potential sale/lease of this land. There is only a few more days left to share your opinion.
<https://survey.vsb.bc.ca/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=ndKl8nU> (Two week end date: April 28th 2021)

VSB claims that the student population has been declining over the last 3 years. However, the recently built school is already completely full. There are kids on the waiting list for kindergarten and there is a lottery system in place for the pre-school upstairs.

Their student population forecast is way too short-sighted. The population in our neighborhood will continue to grow as we have more immigrants and families move into the community. As the City of Vancouver tries to tackle and create more affordable housing and with the increase in two family dwellings, secondary suites, laneway houses, land assemblies for townhouses and condos, it is truly hard to believe the forecasted low enrollment by VSB. The Sir Sandford Fleming Elementary site should retain as much land as possible so it can accommodate the potential growth. We have to consider future generations.

In addition, the current and proposed green space is insufficient. Unlike other elementary schools, Fleming Elementary does not have an adjacent park or Community Centre. Neighborhood parks such as Tecumseh, Gordon, and Memorial South are not very close to the school. For \$7M to \$21M (max) in future VSB revenue, it is not worth sacrificing the space where children and the community can come to learn, play and enjoy. Compounded by the pandemic, we need the outdoor space more than ever. Please do not give up this precious land that will surely help our kids and community in the future.

Please take the time to learn more about the project and review some of the slides they presented in their recent information sessions. Fill out the survey and help spread the word about this project so Knight & 49th does not look like a concrete jungle.

Details from VSB website - www.vsb.bc.ca/south-fleming-site

VSB Survey ends April 28th - <https://survey.vsb.bc.ca/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=ndKl8nU>

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Keep school land for students, play, childcare, and future growth — not a 99-year lease. Why this matters now: Since this petition launched in 2021, the Vancouver School Board (VSB) declared the south portion of Fleming's site "surplus" and moved to lease the land long-term to a private developer. That area once...

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