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2026-07-22	11:33	Vancouver ODP Amendment: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-565 West Georgia Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street and CD-1 Rezoning: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-595 West Georgia Street and 620-698 Seymour Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street	Support	Dear Mayor and Council, I am writing to express my support for the proposed redevelopment of the Bay Parkade site in downtown Vancouver. I have worked in downtown Vancouver since 2016. I spent several years at Nordstrom until it closed in 2023, and I now work in the downtown retail business. Over the past decade, I have had the opportunity to experience the daily life of our downtown core from the perspective of someone who works here every day and serves both local residents and visitors from around the world. I also used to park in the Bay Parkade, so I know the area well. I think this is a great idea and would love to see this project built sooner rather than later. Throughout these years, I have seen Vancouver continue to evolve. While downtown remains one of the city’s most important commercial and tourism districts, it also faces new challenges. As someone who spends most of my week in the area, I believe thoughtful investment and redevelopment are essential to keeping downtown vibrant, welcoming, and economically strong. The Bay Parkade site is in a prime location and presents a rare opportunity to create something that benefits both residents and visitors. I support the vision of transforming an underutilized parking structure into a mixed-use development that includes new housing, hotel accommodations, and attractive public spaces. The downtown core has really grown over the years, and I appreciate seeing interesting architecture, such as the Deloitte tower beside the library, added to the city. With this site, I believe Vancouver has an opportunity to create something architecturally stunning, attract tourists, and provide over 1,500 new homes for our growing city. Adding much-needed homes, including rental and below-market housing, will help address the housing needs of our growing city, while a new hotel can strengthen Vancouver’s tourism economy and support local businesses. A well-designed landmark development in this location would further enhance downtown Vancouver’s appeal and contribute positively to the overall visitor experience. I also appreciate the opportunity to replace an aging parkade with architecture that reflects the future of Vancouver. Our city deserves developments that are not only functional but also visually inspiring and thoughtfully integrated into the urban environment. I respectfully encourage Council to support this proposal and allow this important project to move forward. I hope you will approve this exciting new project. I believe it will be a meaningful investment in the future of downtown Vancouver and benefit our community for many years to come. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Susan Rao	Shuzhan Rao	I do not live in Vancouver	

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2026-07-22	13:22	Vancouver ODP Amendment: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-565 West Georgia Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street and CD-1 Rezoning: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-595 West Georgia Street and 620-698 Seymour Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street	Support	This is the best plan I have seen so far. I do not understand why so many people are opposed to this. As someone who has been living in this neighbourhood since 23 years, this is a welcoming and a fresh change. Very excited for this.	Garima Pandey	Downtown	
2026-07-22	14:00	Vancouver ODP Amendment: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-565 West Georgia Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street and CD-1 Rezoning: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-595 West Georgia Street and 620-698 Seymour Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street	Support	I totally support this rezoning. What a beautiful future!	Ka Mei Ho	West End	
2026-07-22	14:00	Vancouver ODP Amendment: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-565 West Georgia Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street and CD-1 Rezoning: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-595 West Georgia Street and 620-698 Seymour Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street	Support	It creates more job opportunities.	Dom Ng	Renfrew-Collingwood	

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2026-07-22	14:08	Vancouver ODP Amendment: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-565 West Georgia Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street and CD-1 Rezoning: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-595 West Georgia Street and 620-698 Seymour Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street	Support	This is something that will help The City of Vancouver move forward, grow and diversify. The non market housing building will provide much needed place to live for those in need.	Holly Cameron	Downtown	
2026-07-22	14:16	Vancouver ODP Amendment: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-565 West Georgia Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street and CD-1 Rezoning: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-595 West Georgia Street and 620-698 Seymour Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street	Support	THis will be great for the City of Vancouver. Will help Vancouver grow, move forward and diversify. Vancouver isn't as modern as it thinks it is. We need projects like this to help us stay current and continue to be recognized as a world class city.	Holly Wright	Downtown	
2026-07-22	14:20	Vancouver ODP Amendment: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-565 West Georgia Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street and CD-1 Rezoning: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-595 West Georgia Street and 620-698 Seymour Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street	Support	- Expand Tourism & Accommodations - Increase Housing Supply	Helen Y	I do not live in Vancouver	

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2026-07-22	14:37	Vancouver ODP Amendment: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-565 West Georgia Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street and CD-1 Rezoning: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-595 West Georgia Street and 620-698 Seymour Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street	Support	City of Vancouver like all other alive cities needs to grow. However, the grow must be in compliance with the City rezoning policy and all other local applicable by-laws and building codes. This program, based on provided initial, basic and limited information, seems a unique and fascinating program in downtown. So far, it seems nice and it has kind of harmony with downtown atmosphere and look. The crucial point might be how the buildings and the entire program will be designed in details and properly constructed. Hope, it would be a successful program in the benefit of public.	Mahdi Taala	Downtown	
2026-07-22	14:38	Vancouver ODP Amendment: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-565 West Georgia Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street and CD-1 Rezoning: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-595 West Georgia Street and 620-698 Seymour Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street	Support	I am writing to express my strong support for this project. Vancouver is a world-class city, and this development will help it grow as one of the most magnetic and attractive destinations globally. The influx of visitors will provide a much-needed boost to our local businesses and downtown economy. Furthermore, I highly value that the project includes dedicated off-site social housing to support our low-income residents. If the developer is ready to invest in our city’s future with this bold vision, I fully support the entire project.	Fiona Huang	Kerrisdale	
2026-07-22	15:00	Vancouver ODP Amendment: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-565 West Georgia Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street and CD-1 Rezoning: (i) 500 Dunsmuir Street, 619-655 Richards Street, 501-595 West Georgia Street and 620-698 Seymour Street and (ii) 388 Abbott Street	Support	Please see attached letter	Erin Seeley	Downtown	Appendix A

July 20, 2026

City of Vancouver
Mayor and Council
515 West 10th Ave.
Vancouver, BC
V5Z 4A8

RE: Public Hearing Support for 501-595 West Georgia Street

Dear Mayor and Council,

On behalf of YWCA BC, I am writing to express our support for the social housing component of the proposed Holborn Development. If approved, this project would significantly increase the supply of affordable housing units and help to address the urgent need for more family-oriented, and community-focused spaces in Vancouver.

As a non-profit housing provider with a longstanding commitment to creating inclusive communities, YWCA BC champions initiatives that expand access to safe, affordable housing and essential community services. The proposed development's inclusion of a 25-storey social housing tower with 237 units represents an important step toward increasing much-needed non-market housing options for individuals and families.

We also recognize the broader public benefits included in the proposal, including childcare spaces, an Indigenous art gallery, a free public observation deck, and a new SkyTrain entrance. These amenities will contribute to a more connected, accessible, and vibrant community while supporting the diverse needs of Vancouver residents.

YWCA BC has offered community programs and affordable accommodation in Vancouver for almost 130 years. Our deep experience has reinforced the importance of partnerships and innovative approaches to increase affordable housing and create supportive communities. We encourage Mayor and Council to support this project and the creation of additional affordable housing and community spaces for residents.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Erin Seeley
CEO, YWCA BC