

CD-1 (708) Text Amendment: 2538-2550 Birch Street and 1290-1298 West Broadway - Support

Date Received	Time Created	Subject	Position	Content	Author Name	Neighborhood	Attachment
2026-07-22	16:59	CD-1 (708) Text Amendment: 2538-2550 Birch Street and 1290-1298 West Broadway	Support	Vancouver just doesn't have enough places for out-of-town patients to stay — BC Women's is renting out \$2,000-a-night medical rooms as overflow, and BC Transplant has had to cancel surgeries when families couldn't find housing. Northern House fixes that: a nearly finished tower on Birch Street, minutes from VGH, BC Cancer, and Children's & Women's, with 202 suites set up for the kind of longer stays these patients need — and we kept all 56 non-market homes for locals too.	Dino Arsens		
2026-07-22	17:36	CD-1 (708) Text Amendment: 2538-2550 Birch Street and 1290-1298 West Broadway	Support	I support this application. Northern House provides a practical opportunity to address the shortage of suitable accommodation for patients and families travelling to Vancouver for specialized medical care, while maintaining the 56 moderate-income rental homes already committed to the project. Its proximity to Vancouver’s major hospitals and the inclusion of apartment-style accommodations designed for longer stays make this a valuable addition to the Broadway Corridor and the broader community.	Denny Wong	Oakridge	
2026-07-22	23:24	CD-1 (708) Text Amendment: 2538-2550 Birch Street and 1290-1298 West Broadway	Support	I'm very much in support of this project for a two specific reasons: Before I moved to Vancouver, I had difficulty in finding an affordable hotel within the city of Vancouver and I imagine it's even harder for an out-of-town family facing a medical crisis, being treated in Vancouver - *and* - struggling to find affordable and centralized short-term (hotel) accommodations. I also support this project because it has remained committed to ensuring that there are a reasonable number of moderate income units for people like me who have been priced out purchasing a home in Vancouver. Thank you, Avery Mann East Vancouver Rental Resident	Avery Mann	Victoria-Fraserview	
2026-07-23	07:30	CD-1 (708) Text Amendment: 2538-2550 Birch Street and 1290-1298 West Broadway	Support	I support this application.	Nancy Hay	Shaughnessy	
2026-07-23	09:07	CD-1 (708) Text Amendment: 2538-2550 Birch Street and 1290-1298 West Broadway	Support	There is a distinct shortage of the kind of rooms that support out-of-town medical travelers. BC Women's Hospital currently uses specialized medical rooms as hotel overflow — which can cost over \$2,000 per night — because no appropriate accommodation exists nearby. BC Transplant cancels organ transplant surgeries when patient housing cannot be secured in Advance. Northern House solves this directly. Its 202 apartment-hotel suites — with full kitchens, in-suite laundry, and balconies — sit steps from VGH, BC Cancer, Children's & Women's, and UBC Hospital and is within walking distance of both Vancouver General Hospital, BC Cancer Centre and other specialized treatment centers. It is built for stays of weeks or months, not just nights. Importantly, we’ve done this while maintaining the 56 non-market homes for local residents. It will serve the needs of many and is something necessary for those in need.	George Psefteas		

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2026-07-23	10:40	CD-1 (708) Text Amendment: 2538-2550 Birch Street and 1290-1298 West Broadway	Support	Northern House fulfills a vital economic need for British Columbia – where the lack of hotel space contributes \$30+ billion in foregone economic output at the current room shortage. Just steps from VGH, BC Cancer, Children's & Women's, and UBC Hospital, built for stays of weeks or months, not just nights. Northern House will also maintain 56 moderate income rental homes including childcare services, which is greatly needed in the South Granville area.	Lynda Barr	I do not live in Vancouver	
2026-07-23	12:24	CD-1 (708) Text Amendment: 2538-2550 Birch Street and 1290-1298 West Broadway	Support	I support this application and I believe this to be a very well-considered project. Having affordable hotel apartments near VGH for medical travelers serves a clear purpose, while still retaining the much needed moderate-income housing and childcare services. As a local resident, I appreciate seeing thoughtful community-focused development in our neighborhood and back this proposal.	J. Mat	Fairview	