

Refers Item No. 1
Public Hearing of December 8, 2009

MEMORANDUM

December 7, 2009

TO: Mayor Robertson and Councillors

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FROM: A. Higginson, Rezoning Planner, Rezoning Centre

SUBJECT: CD-1 Text Amendment - 1133 West Georgia Street

This memo reports to Council on the matter of providing car share vehicles and spaces within this project. It refers to the "Applicant's Comments" section on page 5 of the Policy Report titled CD-1 Text Amendment - 1133 West Georgia Street.

Background

As noted in Appendix A to the report, staff are recommending that the draft by-law for this project include a requirement to provide parking spaces for car share vehicles, at a ratio of 0.02 spaces per dwelling unit. In Appendix B to the report, staff are further recommending that the owner enter into a "car share agreement", which would ensure that vehicles are also provided and secured, then operated by a professional car sharing organization. This has been a standard recommendation from staff for comparable rezoning applications for some time.

In their comments, the applicant indicated that they opposed the staff recommendations regarding car share and requested that Council give consideration to deleting that requirement from the project.

Discussion

Numerous discussions have occurred between staff and the applicant team since the staff report was finalized. On the basis of these further discussions, the applicant has withdrawn their objection to the car share provisions as earlier stated and has indicated that they are in agreement with the recommendations and conditions in the report. They have indicated their willingness to continue to work with staff to meet the conditions stated in the report.

Conclusion

The applicant has agreed with staff's recommended conditions of approval and enactment. No action by Council is required.

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