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Hello Mayor and Council,

We understand you may be receiving correspondence from community members regarding the recently announced RHI-supported purchase of 2075 Kingsway – Days Inn. Staff have drafted the following reply to queries about community engagement that you could consider using in response.

City staff are setting up community meetings with neighbours and stakeholders in the area about this shortly. While 2075 Kingsway (the Days Inn) does not require a rezoning or development permit for a change of use, the City is committed to engaging with neighbours. This project is an important part of the collective action we are taking with senior government to address the critical needs of people experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness. 2075 Kingsway will provide warm, safe private rooms for approximately 65 people and connect them to services and programs to support their wellbeing. Staff will share more information once an operator for the building is secured but we have included an approximate timeline for the project on our website here <https://vancouver.ca/people-programs/rapid-response.aspx> and you can email homelessness@vancouver.ca if you would like to be notified about any future community meetings.

Best,
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