

File No.: 04-1000-20-2019-653

November 13, 2019

s.22(1)

Dear s.22(1)

Re: Request for Access to Records under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (the "Act")

I am responding to your request of October 22, 2019 for:

Support and opposition letters related to DP-2019-00509 at 1713 Davie Street, from July 1, 2019 to September 3, 2019.

All responsive records are attached. Some information in the records has been severed, (blacked out), under s.22(1) of the Act. You can read or download this section here: http://www.bclaws.ca/EPLibraries/bclaws_new/document/ID/freeside/96165_00

Under section 52 of the Act, and within 30 business days of receipt of this letter, you may ask the Information & Privacy Commissioner to review any matter related to the City's response to your FOI request by writing to: Office of the Information & Privacy Commissioner, info@oipc.bc.ca or by phoning 250-387-5629.

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's office with: 1) the request number (#04-1000-20-2019-653); 2) a copy of this letter; 3) a copy of your original request; and 4) detailed reasons why you are seeking the review.

Yours truly,



Barbara J. Van Fraassen, BA
Director, Access to Information & Privacy

Barbara.vanfraassen@vancouver.ca
453 W. 12th Avenue Vancouver BC V5Y 1V4

*If you have any questions, please email us at foi@vancouver.ca and we will respond to you as soon as possible. Or you can call the FOI Case Manager at 604.871.6584.

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Hicks, Claudia

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 12:34 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Cc: s.22(1)
Subject: 1713 Davie Street - DP-2019-00509
Attachments: IMG_3067.JPG; cannafarmacy.pdf

Dear Claudia,

I am writing to express some concerns I have regarding development application DP-2019-00509 made by Canna Farmacy. I realize that my comments are being submitted past the August 12th deadline, but I hope these concerns can still be considered before the date of decision, if it hasn't already passed.

1) s.22(1) opening of Canna Farmacy at 1713 Davie Street. There was absolutely no explanation as to s.22(1). In addition, Canna Farmacy's Operational Letter offers no explanation as to how their store would benefit the community - i.e. harm reduction, education, safe cannabis use, etc. This exercise was simply to gather as many signatures from unsuspecting people in the area while offering little to no actual benefit to the community.

2) My support for Canna Farmacy is conditional on their operational name and business approach. Their use of the word "farmacy" implies that they are a pharmacy, albeit incorrectly spelled. A variation in the spelling of the word pharmacy is not a valid argument when it comes to differentiating themselves from a medical establishment as the misspelled word still implies a medical establishment.

Currently, federal laws only allow licensed producers, licensed by Health Canada directly, to produce AND distribute cannabis for medical purposes. Medical cannabis must and can ONLY be distributed by licensed producers by mail order. Canna Farmacy is not a medical cannabis establishment.

Canna Farmacy has no medical affiliation nor are they staffed by medical professionals (i.e. medical doctors, pharmacists, and nurse practitioners - all medical professionals who are self-governed and licensed in BC). Their staff cannot legally diagnose, prescribe, treat, or offer any other medical advice. They do not have the necessary medical training.

Yet, Canna Farmacy uses the words "farmacy", "medicinal society", and "dispensary" on their storefronts and websites (please see attached pdf of a page from their website using all 3 prohibited words).

"On Feb. 5, 2018, the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General released details on B.C.'s proposed retail framework for recreational cannabis in the province. Non-medicinal cannabis retailers will be prohibited from using the terms "pharmacy," "apothecary," and "dispensary" or other terms that would lead the public to believe they provide medical care." (<https://www.bcpharmacy.ca/news/non-medical-cannabis-retailers-can-not-use-dispensary-terms>)

Canna Farmacy's use of prohibited and misleading words to imply a medical affiliation or expertise is not only potentially dangerous to individuals seeking actual medical care, it is reckless and irresponsible. s.22(1)

s.22(1) This is reckless and irresponsible behaviour from an organization seeking to establish themselves as a community member of the Westend.

Bottom line: I cannot support a cannabis establishment that uses any words that imply any medical affiliation or expertise without complying with the rules and regulations set forth by Health Canada and/or being licensed by one of BC's self-governed medical professional colleges. They have my support if they remove all words implying any medical affiliation or expertise and focus their business approach solely on recreational cannabis, education, harm reduction, and safe cannabis use. In other words, actually provide a benefit to the Westend community other than simply providing cannabis for sale.

3) I have attached a photo of a note posted on their door offering a delivery service of cannabis during their application for a development permit. While I concede that I do not know the laws/rules/regulations regarding the delivery services of recreational cannabis, this is very clear that this is not an establishment targeted to those seeking medical cannabis.

Thank you,

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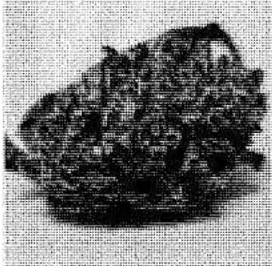
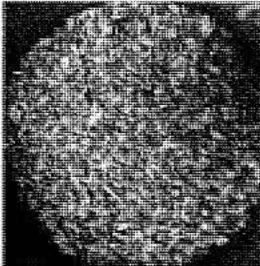
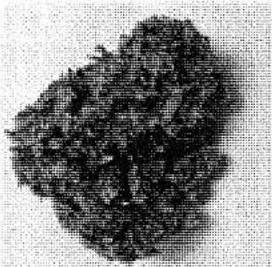


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From: info <info@cannafarmacy.com>

To: "Hicks, Claudia" <claudia.hicks@vancouver.ca>

Date: 8/12/2019 4:17:46 PM

Subject: 1713 Davie St. Canna Farmacy development permit application

Attachments: New Doc 2019-08-12 16.01.52.pdf

Hi Claudia,

Please accept the attached signed document from neighbouring businesses within the West End who support our development permit application.

Best Regards

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

Attention: City of Vancouver

To Whom it may concern;

Please accept this letter as my expression of support of Canna Farmacy's application to operate a retail cannabis dispensary at 1713 Davie Street.

They have been a welcome addition to the West End up until their closing, having integrated well with local residents, neighbouring businesses, and the community at large.

Should Canna Farmacy be successful in their licensing application, I am confident they'll continue to bring value to the West End, ensuring responsible access, while maintaining their good neighbour status.

Yours truly,

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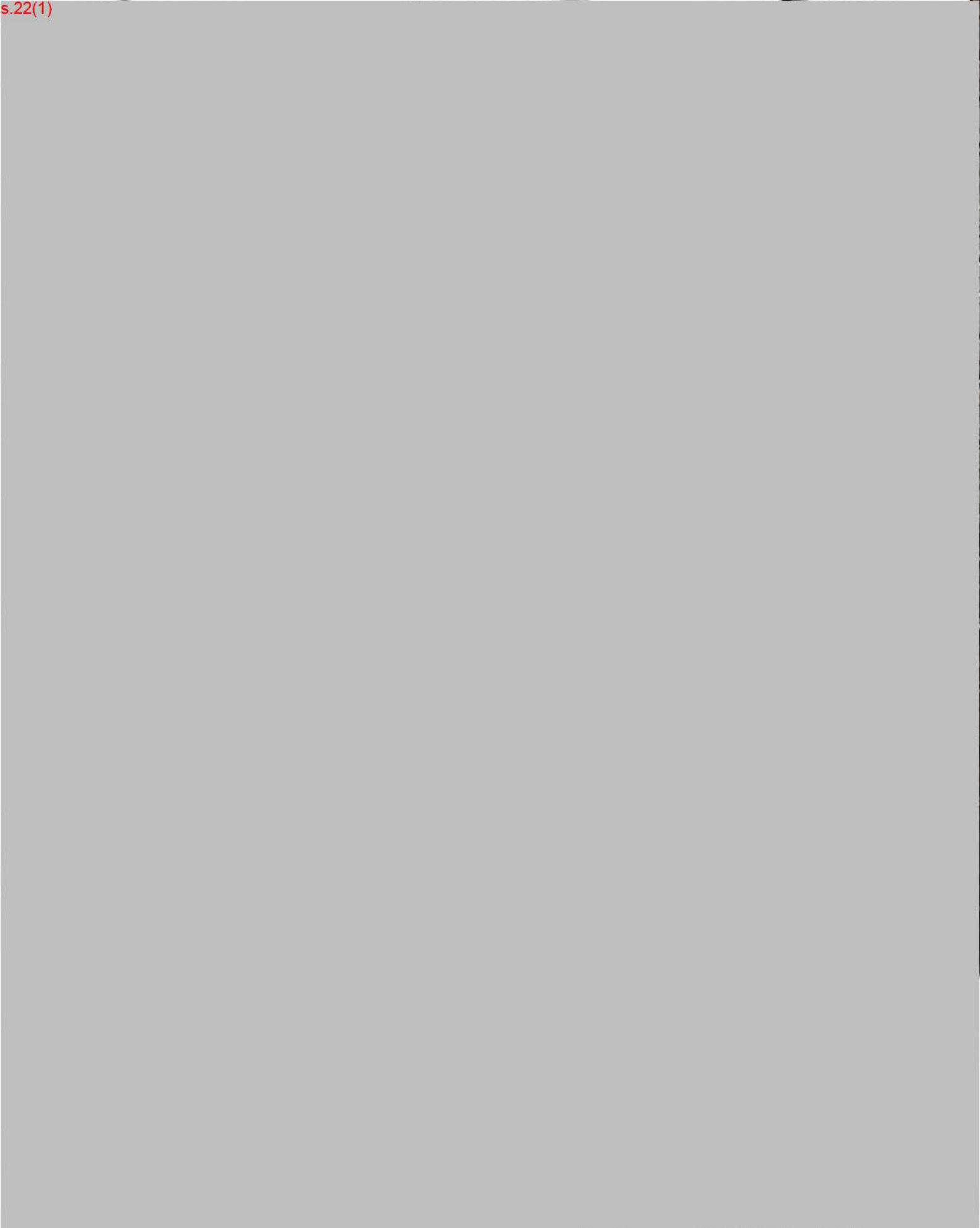
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Yours truly,

BUSINESS NAME

ADDRESS

SIGNATURE

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From: s.22(1)

To: "Hicks, Claudia" <claudia.hicks@vancouver.ca>

Date: 8/12/2019 5:38:40 PM

Subject: Fwd: 1713 Davie Street - DP-2019-00509

Attachments: VID-20190809-WA0000.mp4
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From: s.22(1)

Date: Thu, Aug 8, 2019 at 9:12 PM

Subject: 1713 Davie Street - DP-2019-00509

Dear Ms Hicks,

This application is breathtaking in its brazenness. The proposed location is only about 110 metres from the grounds of Lord Roberts Elementary School. What is sought is far more than a "relaxation"; it would amount to an abandonment of the 300 metre separation zone of retail cannabis stores from schools. It is also next door to the Golden Choice Market, a local produce and convenience store, which is exactly the kind of location where local children may be expected to go.

Perhaps there are circumstances in which such a location could be given serious consideration. If so, I would expect it to be the application of a highly trusted applicant. Canna Pharmacy has shown itself, and continues to show itself, as being anything but a highly trusted applicant.

They operated illegally at this location for several years, having neither a Development Permit nor a Business License from the City. They had an ATM in the store, in clear contravention of the City bylaws. They had a vending machine dispensing cannabis products, in blatant disregard of the law. (The vending machine and ATM are both visible in the attached video.) They sold illegally sourced products throughout. And they sold a broad range of cannabis products which remain prohibited under federal law.

Further, while they purport to have shut down in late July of this year, and claim to have done so in pursuit of licensing, they have not actually shut down at all. Please see the attached photos and video, taken on July 29, 2019, showing the notice on the inside of the front door stating that they continue selling cannabis products online and will deliver them directly to customers. Please go to the website shown in that notice, that being www.cannafarmacy.com, to see that they remain active in the illicit cannabis business. By their own explicit admission, they have only engaged in the merest pretense of having shut down.

Canna Pharmacy is truly as far away from being a trusted applicant as could be found. In the circumstances, and given the undue proximity to an elementary school, both they and their location are wholly inappropriate for the granting of a Development Permit.

Yours truly

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Hicks, Claudia

1713 Davie St.

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2019 11:55 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: Application support

Dear Ms. Hicks,

Please accept this correspondence to help support Cana Farmacy's to stay open.

My name is s.22(1) I reside at
s.22(1) V6G 2H8

Along with myself and at least s.22(1)
s.22(1) all rely on this very beneficial and very helpful Service from Cana Farmacy.

Their employees, like, s.22(1)
are kind, informative, efficient, and essential.

And what a sense of bonding and community it has created for s.22(1)

As well, I work s.22(1)

There are so many ailments that can be treated with medicinal cannabis, with little to no negative side affects, unlike many traditional prescription drugs. So am comfortable in recommend it to my clients often.

Increasingly, the scientific community is turning to marijuana and its composites, THC and CBD, for help tackling all sorts of health issues, from General pain to cancer to addiction, to treating mental health disorders such as Anxiety, PTSD and depression. It is only because of the outdated prohibition on the drug that more tests (and therein more beneficial and accurate results) aren't receiving the attention or funding they deserve.

Even for my own personal experience s.22(1) I have never had a single surgery or have taken a single prescription pain medication. I have Soley relied on CBD, medicated salves, tinctures and THC. I continue to walk, dance, bike and swim. I am not limited by anything.

So I strongly urge you to accept CannaFarmacy application. For the benefit of myself my neighbours as well as my clients.

We strongly encourage CannaFarmacy remain open and support their purpose, their employees, and their service. And to let us remain a safe and connected, Community.

In kind,

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1713 Davie St.

Hicks, Claudia

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Friday, August 09, 2019 11:34 AM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: Spam: Letter of Support for Canna Farmacy License Application

Hey Claudia,

My name is s.22(1) Vancouver, BC V6G 2N9). I'm emailing you today as a letter of support for Canna Farmacy (on 1713 Davie Street, Vancouver BC) and their application for a dispensary license. They are a safe, well managed business that deserves to keep their place in our neighbourhood.

Thanks for your time,

Please let me know if you have any questions

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1713 Davie St.

Hicks, Claudia

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2019 7:52 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: Feedback for Licensing of 1713 Davie St

Hello Claudia,

My name is s.22(1). I have found your contact information in context of an ongoing licensing process for the dispensary at 1713 Davie St. (Cannafarmacy).

I wanted to be able to voice my support of their application. I've been a happy customer of theirs for s.22(1), and so have other friends, neighbours and members of our local community. Their staff is very compassionate, kind, ethical and supply great customer service. They are local honest people - some of their friends, s.22(1) would like to encourage their continued presence, since they provide a great service to our neighbourhood.

If I can strengthen their application by supplying more information or clarification, please let me know!

Thanks and best regards,

s.22(1)

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Hicks, Claudia

1713 Davie St.

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Friday, August 09, 2019 6:31 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: 1713 Davie st. Canna Farmacy

Hi there

My name is s.22(1) I write to you this letter of support for the license application for Canna Farmacy.

s.22(1) are supporters of this establishment and we need one in the area

Thanks again

Best regards

s.22(1)

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1713 Davie st.

Hicks, Claudia

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Friday, August 09, 2019 5:53 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: CannaClinic 1713 David St

Hi! I am writing this email to show my support for CannaClinics west end location located at 1713 David St., Vancouver BC. They have been members of the local business community for over a year and have been a great addition to the bottom of Davie st. They are very courteous and professional and it would be really great if their license would be approved, I see disappointed people every day reading the notice on the door, and those are potential customers that had to go elsewhere. Their store is sorely missed in the neighbourhood.

If you could approve them, that would be so great for everyone including the many elderly west end residents who rely on them for access to medicinal cannabis.

Respectfully yours,

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1713 Davie St.

Hicks, Claudia

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2019 4:22 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: Our Local Dispensary

Hello Claudia,

My name is s.22(1) and I am writing to you today in support of reopening our local dispensary, Canna Farmacy Society(CFS) at 1713 Davie street in the West End of Vancouver.

I know there are a lot of people/companies vying to get permits in a market over crowded with opportunists but the nearest legal option for me to get "legal marijuana" is an hour away from my humble abode. While there are two different liquor stores five minutes walking distance from my home as well as two different pharmacies. I bring this up to highlight the massive inconvenience for obtaining a legal plant vs the convience of much more destructive legal recreational non medicinal drugs, alcohol and prescription medications.

I understand that we are all in new territory here with the legalization of marijuana and that all applications must be thoroughly processed, however I emlore you to please help CFS open their doors as quickly as possible.

I am not medically dependent on marijuana however almost every time I stepped into CFS I met new people who needed it just for their everyday lives. I cannot imagine the stress, pain, and trauma they must experience now that there is nowhere in our neighbourhood that has legal access to marijuana.

I constantly have mentioned "legal" in this email to highlight the fact that if it can't be attained legally what other option are we leaving those who need this plant to survive?

On one hand you have an opportunity to provide a safe, informative and friendly place to buy medical marijuana or you continue to unwillingly support the influx of criminal activity in our neighbourhood. I know what option I prefer.

I thank you for your time and I hope that you are able to help our friendly neighbourhood Canna Farmacy open its doors sooner than later.

Sincerely,

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1713 Davie st.

Hicks, Claudia

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Friday, August 09, 2019 5:38 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: Cannafarmacy 1713 Davie st Vancouver

To whom it may concern,

Hello my name is s.22(1) Vancouver. I have been using the store on Davie street
s.22(1) and am in favour of them continuing to operate in that location, they run a nice clean store with good
insight to products they sold

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1713 Davie St.

Hicks, Claudia

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Wednesday, August 07, 2019 2:28 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: CannaPharmacy

Hello Claudia

I understand you responsible for the license for CannaPharmacy to operate at 1713 Davie St. I fully support their application to provide cannabis. I am a medical cannabis user s.22(1) more than 2-3 blocks.

If I can give any more information please do not hesitate to contact me,

Cheers

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Hicks, Claudia

1713 Davie St.

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Thursday, August 08, 2019 10:20 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: Cannafarmacy Davie St

Hi,

My name is s.22(1) in Vancouver. I am emailing to express my support for their licence application for the store on 1713 Davie st. They are really helpful and have lots of knowledge on cannabis products which I use for certain conditions including pain and stress. I hope you will accept their application.

Thanks,

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1713 Davie St.

Hicks, Claudia

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Thursday, August 08, 2019 11:54 AM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: RE: Canna Farmacy license application

Hi Claudia.

Of course.

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Let me know if you require anything further.

Best s.22(1)

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From: Hicks, Claudia <claudia.hicks@vancouver.ca>
Sent: August 8, 2019 11:49 AM
To: s.22(1)
Subject: RE: Canna Farmacy license application

Hi s.22(1)

Thank you for your comments. Could I please have your name and address? All comments are confidential.

With thanks,

Claudia Hicks

Project Coordinator - Development Review Branch

Development, Buildings & Licensing

604.871.6083



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From: s.22(1)
Sent: Thursday, August 08, 2019 11:43 AM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: Canna Farmacy license application

Hi.

I am writing in support of Canna Farmacy's application for a retail outlet at 1713 Davie St. s.22(1) street from this location and patronized their shop when it was operating. It is very conveniently located and the service and products were excellent. I am s.22(1) and use cannabis primarily for medical reasons (severe s.22(1) for which I also take other prescription medication. It would be great to have their shop operating at this location.

Hope this helps.

1713 Davie St.

Hicks, Claudia

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Wednesday, August 07, 2019 2:14 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: CannaFarmacy

Hello Claudia,

CannaFarmacy is my neighbourhood shop. I love them and would hope that you plan on giving them a licence so that they can reopen. The West End really needs a legal shop and we need it asap. How much business is going to the black market while they try and obtain one? It really makes no sense. CannaFarmacy is at 1713 Davie Street.

I am s.22(1)

I support this shop getting a licence and I sure hope that you do too!

Thank you for your time,

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Hicks, Claudia

1713 Davie St

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Thursday, August 08, 2019 12:50 AM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: Canna Farmacy

Hello Claudia Hicks,
my name is s.22(1)

I am writing to you today regarding licensing for Canna Farmacy, located at 1713 Davie Street.

I am a regular customer and I like being able to walk s.22(1) and pick up cannabis or cbd oil for my s.22(1).

I support Canna Farmacy having their license. The staff are very professional and responsible and always act respectfully, especially to s.22(1). Please help them to get licensed so that I don't have to go looking for it on the street anymore.

Thank you for your time,
Sincerely,

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1713 Davie St.

Hicks, Claudia

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Wednesday, August 07, 2019 3:11 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: West End CannaFarmacy

Hello Claudia,

I am a resident at s.22(1) I write to you regarding the CannaFarmacy Dispensary located at 1713 Davie St.

This dispensary was a valuable business within our community here in the west end. It is a professionally run business with very personable staff who connect with their clientele and create a very communal atmosphere. In my humble opinion, keeping this shop open on Davie would benefit the community and I urge you to allow that to happen.

Thank you for taking the time to read my email and considering my opinion.

Sincerely, a west end resident.

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Hicks, Claudia

1713 Davie St

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Friday, July 26, 2019 5:54 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: DP-2019-00509

Claudia,

As a resident of the neighbourhood, I'm just writing a brief note to express my support for the above-noted development permit application (allowing change of use from dry cleaner to retail cannabis store at 1713 Davie Street).

As you know, this store has been operating in the neighbourhood for quite some time, and has caused no issues that I'm aware of. There are often people in the shop and I'm happy to have visitors to the neighbourhood frequenting our local businesses. I also think the West End is long past due for legal (not just grey-market) cannabis sales, given that legalisation took place almost a year ago. I look forward to this business being formally allowed and sincerely hope that this process is not further delayed.

Thank you,

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Hicks, Claudia

1713 Davie St

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2019 2:58 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: comments on 1713 Davie St.

Ms Hicks -

I am s.22(1) own my condominium and pay property taxes to the city.

I am writing in support of the development application for 1713 Davie St. - DP-2019-00509. The inclusion of Canna Pharmacy in this neighbourhood would, in my opinion, be beneficial. There are 5 high-rise rental buildings currently being built here which will house a considerable number of people, some of whom will use cannabis. There are so few stores selling cannabis that one would have to use a car or take a bus to find a store outside of the West End that sells cannabis. If one were in the neighbourhood, it would lessen the environmental impact, as one could walk to this store.

I recommend the permit for such a business be allowed.

Sincerely,

s.22(1)

Hicks, Claudia

1713 Davie St

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2019 6:41 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: Yes.. cannabis store at 1713 Davie St

Hi Claudia,
I approve of a cannabis store at 1713 Davie St.

How many legal cannabis stores are there in Vancouver?

Thanks for info,

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Vancouver's Westend
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Hicks, Claudia

1713 Davie St

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 5:16 AM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: Canna Farmacy 1713 Davie Street Vancouver Bc licence

My name s.22(1) t Vancouver BC V6G 1X4. I have used their services for CBD and other since the store front opened. It is on my way home from the bus stop, is open 7 days a week, long hours of operation and is professional and well stocked. With sincerity, I truly hope that Canna Farmacy receive their licence, continue to operate at this convenient address; the store front is well situated and easy to access as is street front access, no stairs.

Thank you for your time and attention in this matter!

Best regards,

s.22(1)

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Hicks, Claudia

1713 Davie St.

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Friday, August 02, 2019 7:59 AM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: Development Application

Dear Claudia Hicks

Please note that I do not like the idea of a Cannabis store at 1713 Davie Street, DP-2019-00509.

Thank you

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1713 Davie St.

Hicks, Claudia

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Friday, August 02, 2019 9:07 AM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: Development application....

Claudia,

1713 Davie Street
DP -2019-00509

This is far to close to Lord Roberts elementary school . Also , not fitting if having young families close by.
Many other locations not near schools !
Not for our neighbourhood!

A very long time West End resident,

s.22(1)

Sent from my iPad

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1713 Davie

Hicks, Claudia

1713 Davie St

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2019 9:53 AM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: 1713 Davie Street. DP-2019-00509

Dear Ms. Hicks:

I received the Notice of Development Application for the above address in the West End of Vancouver. As a home owner, I enjoyed the lifestyle and diversity the West End offered during s.22(1)

I would like to see the community continue to be vibrant and welcoming. I feel strongly about the controversy cannabis retailing and use has caused. I understand there are pros and cons to cannabis use in terms of its medical benefits over the addictive consequences.

Given the circumstances, i am personally opposed to the opening of a cannabis retail store in the West End, including the proposed location on Davie Street.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Hicks, Claudia

1713 Davie St

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2019 11:11 AM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: 1713 Davie St. DP-2019-00509 - Retail Cannabis Store Application

Hello Ms. Hicks,

As a member of this neighbourhood I received a Notice of Development Application. I would like to submit my dissent for the recent application of 1713 Davie St. to change use from Dry Cleaners to a Retail Cannabis Store.

I personally feel this type of retail operation brings absolutely no value to the neighbourhood or community and in its short time operating (illegally I assume) I did not notice or become aware of any value or support this operation provided to becoming a member of this community.

However most importantly this this proposed Cannabis Store Application is within a short distance of Lord Roberts Elementary School.



I find it difficult to believe the City of Vancouver Planning Department and City of Vancouver Council or even the citizens of Vancouver would be comfortable to be endorsing this type of retail operation within harms way of young children.

Regards,

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Hicks, Claudia

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Tuesday, August 06, 2019 4:53 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Cc: s.22(1)
Subject: Notice of Development For 1713 Davie Street

Hi Claudia,

I received a notice in the mail today regarding a development application (DP-2019-00509) for a cannabis store.

I am **strongly opposed** to having a cannabis store so close to where I live, which is s.22(1)
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The sale of marijuana is, to me, a very bad idea as the effects of this drug on users have not been studied thoroughly or the results promulgated.

My contact number s.22(1)

Regards,

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1713 Davie St.

Hicks, Claudia

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Sunday, August 11, 2019 4:46 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: 1713 Davie Street - DP-2019-00509

Hi Claudia,

I've received one of these post cards regarding 1713 Davie Street - DP-2019-00509.

Firstly I hope that the printing and distribution costs of this postcard do not fall on the tax payers of Vancouver particularly given the absurdity of this application. As welcomed, I am writing this email in resolute opposition to granting this permit.

Of greatest concern is that the proposed location is literally RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER FROM A SCHOOL! How is this proposal even being considered? I strongly oppose any drug (or alcohol for that matter) retail distribution in such proximity to children.

Furthermore, the impact such retail activity has on this residential neighbourhood can not be ignored. For a long time a BC Liquor store was located in the 1600 block of Davie until redevelopment began last year. Over the past number of years, a substantial increase in indigent vagrancy was seen in the neighbourhood and begging activity centered around that liquor store. Since that liquor store has been closed, almost all such activity has stopped. This neighbourhood has no local support mechanisms or shelters which means that such places that for what ever reason serve to attract the less fortunate ultimately pulls them further away from socially purposed and strategically located service centers. Interestingly, the liquor store that has largely served to replace that location on Denman street does not seem to result in that same level of vagrancy. Placing this Cannabis shop at this location would serve to restore attraction to this area for the wrong reasons. I do not say these things in discriminatory or prejudicial intent but in an educated, experienced, and insightful way to harm reduction and preservation to a neighbourhood not equipped to provide shelter.

Lastly, significant traffic to this retail location would not be from local residents but rather visitors to the many parks and tourist attractions in this area. There can be no excuse for enabling or facilitating activities which contravene local bylaws most importantly 'smoking' in the public parks and beaches filled with families and needless to say, children. While cannabis and alcohol are legal so is smoking and yet none of these are thought socially acceptable in the presence of children. I certainly hope it is not the position of the Director of Planning, that supporting, facilitating, or enabling such access, distribution, and consumption of these substances fosters greater community and beauty to our cities attractions.

I understand some would interpret this letter to be that of a religious or anti-drug zealot but I can assure you that is not the case. I have seen first hand the effect of having such distribution in proximity to these attractions has and it is very concerning to the safety and security of the residents of this neighbourhood. Further, s.22(1) has not been sheltered from the world and is not ignorant of hardship, but s.22(1) should not be forced on a daily basis to fear people under the influence or begging activities which all too often turn aggressive and confrontational in the neighbourhood we call home.

Regards,

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Hicks, Claudia

1713 Davie St.

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Thursday, August 01, 2019 4:04 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: 1713 Davie Street

s.22(1) are definitely against yet another cannabis store in our area. There are already so many drugged and homeless people in the area. We should not invite and tempt more to start smoking pot.

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Hicks, Claudia

1713 Davie St

From: s.22(1)
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 7:23 PM
To: Hicks, Claudia
Subject: 1713 Davie Street - DP-2019-00509 - Objection

To Whom it may concern:

Please take note that I am against granting to change the use, at the above-noted address, from Dry Cleaners to a Retail Cannabis Store.

We don't need any additional Cannabis Stores in our area.

Btw, I could not find this Development Application on your website vancouver.ca/devapps.

Please ensure that my objection is registered and will be taken into consideration by the Director of Planning.

Thank you!

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