

File No.: 04-1000-20-2021-017

February 5, 2021

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 January 7, 2021 for:

**Record of objections regarding Change of Use for DP-2020-00705 at 1032 Robson Street up to January 7, 2021.**

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](http://www.bclaws.ca/EPLibraries/bclaws_new/document/ID/freeside/96165_00).

Under section 52 of the Act you may ask the Information & Privacy Commissioner to review any matter related to the City's response to your request. The Act allows you 30 business days from the date you receive this notice to request a review by writing to: Office of the Information & Privacy Commissioner, [info@oipc.bc.ca](mailto: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 assigned to your request (#04-1000-20-2021-017); 2) a copy of this letter; 3) a copy of your original request for information sent to the City of Vancouver; and 4) detailed reasons or grounds on which you are seeking the review.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Freedom of Information Office at [foi@vancouver.ca](mailto:foi@vancouver.ca) if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

[Signature on file]

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

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453 W. 12th Avenue Vancouver BC V5Y 1V4

\*If you have any questions, please email us at [foi@vancouver.ca](mailto: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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## Kim, Jennifer (DBL)

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**From:** Hicks, Claudia  
**Sent:** Monday, 9 November, 2020 7:01 AM  
**To:** Kim, Jennifer (DBL)  
**Subject:** \*\*\*\*\*1032 Robson Street FW: [EXT] DP-2020-00705

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Hi Jennifer,  
This one is for Robson Street - thx

**Claudia Hicks**  
**Project Coordinator - Development Review Branch**  
Development, Buildings & Licensing  
604.871.6083

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**From:** s.22(1)  
**Sent:** Monday, November 09, 2020 6:39 AM  
**To:** Hicks, Claudia <claudia.hicks@vancouver.ca>  
**Subject:** [EXT] DP-2020-00705

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I am the owner at s.22(1) Vancouver BC.

I am opposed to Development Application DP-2020-00705 1032 Robson Street because I feel that the Cannabis Retail Store would have a very negative impact on quality of life and property values of Robson St. Burrard St., and my property. Cannabis is considered a harmful substance by the FDA and the proposal has not factored in the societal costs to the City.

I am concerned that the trafficking of a harmful addictive substance that is damaging to the morals of society and the population, and the younger generation.

I also believe that promotion of cannabis, a harmful substance, late in the evening, 11 PM, could trigger irresponsible behavior in a high traffic area (pedestrian, auto, bike), which could cause traffic accidents, especially if people purchase and consume the product near the location. Without a safe location to consume the product, innocent people could be hurt by promoting and selling a mind altering substance in close proximity to Robson, which is currently considered a safe place for families.

Adding the cannabis store would be analogous to promoting prostitution/brothels/gun sales, adjacent to an elementary school and that the City of Vancouver should be more mindful of the moral and ethical hazards to help Vancouver become a world class city.

While cannabis is legal in Canada, it is not a net benefit to society if the costs are included. The City of Vancouver should *include* the societal costs of cannabis, that will be a burden for the City of Vancouver for generations. These societal costs, the economic and lifelong lost opportunity costs of cannabis addiction and broken families, should be factored into the proposal.

Kind regards,

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**Kim, Jennifer (DBL)**

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**From:** Hicks, Claudia  
**Sent:** Monday, 9 November, 2020 5:03 PM  
**To:** Kim, Jennifer (DBL)  
**Subject:** \*\*\*\*\*1032 Robson Street FW: [EXT] feedback on notice of dev app at 1032 Robson Street

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** s.22(1)  
**Sent:** Monday, November 09, 2020 3:43 PM  
**To:** Hicks, Claudia <claudia.hicks@vancouver.ca>  
**Subject:** [EXT] feedback on notice of dev app at 1032 Robson Street

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DP-2020-00705

Hi there,

When I received and read this application I knew I must weigh in with my feedback. I'm a West Ender for over s.22(1) for s.22(1) I've been living just off s.22(1) and frequent Robson St daily. I pass by that address almost daily and have enjoyed the instalment of the parklet across from the address which enlarged the pedestrian walking area as it frequently got bottlenecked while people waited at the window to get their takeout. I am concerned and hate that a perfectly good and well-laid out restaurant space - with kitchen and a take-out window is even being considered as a store to purchase cannabis products. It is a waste of product and a waste of an opportunity for a restaurant to move in to a existing space meant for one. Will the window be gone? Or will it be a takeout window for products? I equate this with having seating outside of a liquor store. Would this happen? NO. It is seating meant for the public and patrons of the restaurant. How many cannabis stores in 2-3 blocks on Robson? City Cannabis 600 block - Dutch Love by London Drugs - and down near Safeway on Robson. This, to me, is like having a plethora of liquor stores - its product like that. What is the vision for Robson St? Is it shopping anymore? Picture children resting with their

parents as happens all the time — even since the closing of the restaurant. That existing seating as a parklet should not be moved either. It is in a great spot on the block. I'll be very disappointed if this happens. I would love to know what the vision is.

Sincerely,

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## Kim, Jennifer (DBL)

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**From:** Hicks, Claudia  
**Sent:** Thursday, 12 November, 2020 7:32 AM  
**To:** Kim, Jennifer (DBL)  
**Subject:** \*\*\*\*\*1032 Robson Street FW: [EXT] Re-zone Application DP-2020-00705

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**From:** s.22(1)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 11, 2020 3:27 PM  
**To:** Hicks, Claudia <claudia.hicks@vancouver.ca>  
**Subject:** [EXT] Re-zone Application DP-2020-00705

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Hello, I'm writing in regards to the proposed rezoning for a Cannabis store on 1032 Robson Street. As a s.22(1) we have seen a lot of changes, with that being of small independent businesses like mine turning into more of a multi-national stores that can afford the rent that this "high end" street commands.

To be blunt, there are a few cannabis stores already along Robson street, and I don't think we quite need another one. 600, 1100, 1700 Blocks of Robson street all have one already, there is no need for YET another store. As well, Shoppers Drug Mart has a medicinal marijuana program running, and it would only be a matter of time before they will release to their stores to be sell (Shoppers is located right around the corner on Burrard and would be within 300m of this location).

Also, having another Cannabis Store on this block I believe, will cheapen our street - we have many businesses who have invested a lot of money into renovating or opened brand new flag ship stores - a marijuana store does not quite fit in. As well - our block is now branded and destined to be a "Run Way" fashion street - so the culture and fit is really way off.

Thank you for your time,

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1023 Robson.



## Kim, Jennifer (DBL)

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**From:** Hicks, Claudia  
**Sent:** Thursday, 12 November, 2020 10:20 AM  
**To:** Kim, Jennifer (DBL)  
**Subject:** \*\*\*\*1032 Robson StreetFW: notice of development application

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**From:** Daniel Chowne [mailto:principal@pattisonhighschool.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 12, 2020 10:09 AM  
**To:** Hicks, Claudia <claudia.hicks@vancouver.ca>  
**Cc:** Amanda Lu <lu@pattisonhighschool.ca>  
**Subject:** [EXT] notice of development application

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Claudia Hicks  
Project Coordinator  
Development, Buildings and Licensing  
City of Vancouver

re: Notice of Development Application 1032 Robson Street DP-2020-00705

Hello Ms Hicks

Timesing Developments (Canada) Ltd does business as Timesing Education Group Inc., and operates Pattison High School at 981 Nelson Street, Vancouver V6Z 3B6.

The high school receives and educates up to 200 students in any given semester, from ages 14 to 20. The school is open year round.

The school owns its property at Electra, and has been located there for 15 years.



Our students come from home cultures distributed around the world. It is our duty to provide the most positive and healthy, safe and nurturing environments for them.  
We take our role 'in locus parentis' seriously.

Therefore, we do not want our students - nor their peers - purposefully exposed to substances that may appear attractive and yet are potentially harmful to them.  
The school campus site is located within a three block radius of 1032 Robson Street, and close to pedestrian pathways that students use to access public transit.

It is with the greatest urgency that we oppose the application for the use of the above-noted address as a Cannabis Retail Store.

We ask that the City of Vancouver deny the application.

Sincerely, and thank you

Daniel Chowne Dip.Ed., MA  
Principal



981 Nelson Street, Vancouver, BC V6Z 3B6 CANADA

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## Kim, Jennifer (DBL)

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**From:** Hicks, Claudia  
**Sent:** Thursday, 19 November, 2020 9:27 AM  
**To:** Kim, Jennifer (DBL)  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] object to a Cannabis Retail Store on Robson St.

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**From:** s.22(1)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 17, 2020 6:10 PM  
**To:** Hicks, Claudia <claudia.hicks@vancouver.ca>  
**Subject:** [EXT] object to a Cannabis Retail Store on Robson St.

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Dear Sir or Madam

I strongly object to having a Cannabis Retail Store at 1032 Robson Street. I own a condo in the area and feel strongly that a cannabis store in the area will be problematic.

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property owner.