

File No.: 04-1000-20-2021-267

July 6, 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 May 26, 2021 for:

Letters of support and objections regarding 1766 Davie Street (DP-2021-00090).

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 (#04-1000-20-2021-267); 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,

[Signature on file]

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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Survey Responses

18 February 2020 - 04 May 2021

1766 Davie St development application comments

Shape Your City Vancouver

Project: 1766 Davie St (DP-2021-00090) cannabis retail development application



VISITORS

18

CONTRIBUTORS

13

RESPONSES

13

3

Registered

10

Unverified

0

Anonymous

3

Registered

10

Unverified

0

Anonymous



Respondent No: 1
Login: not interested in having
cannabis shop as a
s.22(1)
Email: s.22(1)

Responded At: Mar 24, 2021 18:46:14 pm
Last Seen: Mar 25, 2021 01:57:54 am
IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

s.22(1) at 1762 Davie and do not approve of a cannabis shop s.22(1) building has several children and Davie and Denman are part of a playground area according to the City, which is why the speed limit is 30 everywhere. There is a licensed cannabis shop close by on Davie already, a DP approved less than a block away at 1674 Davie and 6 other DP applications in the area. How many cannabis shops do we need?

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 2

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Mar 24, 2021 18:49:27 pm

Last Seen: Mar 24, 2021 18:49:27 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

I am deeply opposed to a cannabis shop being permitted in the building s.22(1). The shop's front door would be s.22(1), and inebriated patrons (100 per day according to the submitted plan) would be congregating there from 9 AM until 11 PM (and probably earlier and later, even when the shop is closed), 7 days a week. There are children in our building as well. Another cannabis shop (Muse) is about to open only a few blocks away on Denman, and I gather several other applications have been submitted within a few blocks of here. There are at least 4 major drinking establishments within ONE BLOCK of the proposed location, meaning that drunks will be gathering around the shop as well. Such shops should not be permitted in storefronts attached to apartments.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1) Vancouver

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 3

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Mar 24, 2021 18:54:24 pm

Last Seen: Mar 24, 2021 18:54:24 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

s.22(1) building has a slightly recessed entry. s.22(1) the proposed development, I'm concerned about customers lighting up and smoking s.22(1). We've had problems with tobacco smokers, and I don't think cannabis smokers would be any more considerate. It would be extremely hard to keep the smell out s.22(1)

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 4

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Mar 24, 2021 21:49:53 pm

Last Seen: Mar 24, 2021 21:49:53 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

This application needs to be rejected for the following reasons: The Davie Street location is part of an apartment building, and a store selling intoxicating substances open until 11 pm would make entering the apartment building more dangerous. In addition, it would result in smoke polluting the entrance to the building and other nearby doorways. It would also encourage increased use of intoxicating substances a block away on English Bay Beach, resulting in smoke pollution, increased dangerousness, and the spoiling of others' enjoyment of this park area. Lord Roberts Elementary School at 1100 Bidwell and the school playground are one and a half short blocks from the Davie street address and Vancouver city does not allow marijuana sales in close proximity to schools.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 6

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Mar 29, 2021 10:43:49 am

Last Seen: Mar 30, 2021 18:06:08 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

From personal experience, a cannabis site that allowed consumption was not sufficiently engineered to prevent odour contamination in neighbouring businesses, such as restaurants.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1) Vancouver BC

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Mixed



Respondent No: 7

Login: s.22(1)

Email: [Redacted]

Responded At: Mar 30, 2021 11:51:32 am

Last Seen: Mar 30, 2021 11:51:32 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

This location is within 300 metres of Lord Roberts Elementary School. The city's own guidelines should prevent approval of this permit. The West end is now seeing these applications that should be denied at application. They get denied and then the appeal to the Board of Variance overturns that decision. The BOV tends to disregard the City's own guidelines. Sooner or later the BOV is going to have to be held accountable for being in conflict with the city guidelines.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 8

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Apr 05, 2021 00:31:56 am

Last Seen: Apr 05, 2021 00:31:56 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

I am opposed to this business at this location.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 9

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Apr 09, 2021 14:28:17 pm

Last Seen: Apr 09, 2021 21:50:05 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

• There are already many cannabis shops in this area. The western end of Davie Street is struggling with many empty commercial spaces. It needs businesses that will attract a wide range of people, not a niche operation like another cannabis store. • The shop's blank windows create a cold and unwelcoming street environment and we don't want that in front s.22(1). • The shop's blank windows also create a security risk on the street. When people inside cannot see an incident developing outside, and passersby cannot attract attention when they need help, the neighbourhood becomes less safe for everyone and especially for women.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 10

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Apr 14, 2021 09:24:34 am

Last Seen: Apr 14, 2021 09:24:34 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

1- Cannabis retail stores should not be allowed near any schools according to the Vancouver City byLaws. Lord Roberts Elementary is only two blocks away. s.22(1). 2- This Cannabis retail store is below a residential building and also surrounded with other residential towers. 3- Cannabis stores should be on commercial retail streets and not be surrounded by residential towers. 4- There appears to be three other cannabis retail stores waiting for development permits within a block of this location : 1764 Davie st., 1713 Davie street, and 1766 Davie street. When is it going to be enough!? are we going to have a cannabis shop on every street corner?!

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 11

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Apr 14, 2021 16:08:08 pm

Last Seen: Apr 14, 2021 16:08:08 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

The City of Vancouver should not allow businesses from Vancouver Island to come here and open additional locations. There are so many local business owners and entrepreneurs that are struggling to start their own locations. Cannabis retail in Vancouver has always been by local businesses to keep the economy strong. I have read the operations letter listed in the application. After reading the letter I noted that it is written to make them seem like they are supporting local businesses but the money will go back to the people on the island at the end of the day. I am not in support of this company operating a cannabis store in my area.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 12

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Apr 19, 2021 14:00:59 pm

Last Seen: Apr 19, 2021 14:00:59 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

I am told that the old CCHQ (1674 Davie Street) is close to having their store open and that will make two cannabis stores very close to each other.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 13

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Apr 20, 2021 01:03:44 am

Last Seen: Apr 20, 2021 01:03:44 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

s.22(1) not want our kid to be exposed to drugs environment. Also it smells alot when they opened it before.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed

From: s.22(1)
To: [Hicks, Claudia](#)
Subject: [EXT] DP-2021-00090 - Imagine Cannabis
Date: Saturday, April 03, 2021 2:46:14 PM

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Hello,

As a resident of the 1700 block Davie, I am writing to express my extreme opposition to the recent application to change the use of 1766 Davie St. to Retail – Cannabis.

The location is less than two full city blocks away from an elementary school, certainly not the best influence to school age children. Nor is this business that would add value to our community or provide service/ supplies that are not already available.

There have been several applications to open a Retail – Cannabis location on the 1600 – 1700 blocks of Davie; all of which have been turned down. I see no reason how this application is any different and it should receive the same verdict.

Kind regards,

s.22(1)

From: s.22(1)
To: [Hicks, Claudia](#)
Cc: [James deHoop](#); s.22(1)
Subject: [EXT] DP-2021-00090 at 1766 Davie Street
Date: Monday, March 29, 2021 4:12:51 PM

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Hi Claudia,

I received a postcard notification regarding a DP application for alterations and a change of use to retail Cannabis store at 1766 Davie Street.

The City of Vancouver is the governing authority for these uses, which includes zoning, re-zoning where appropriate, variances to regulations through the Board of Variance, building permits and licensing, as well as direct authority from Director of Planning under the Vancouver Charter to modify or interpret City By-Laws.

We appreciate your attention to this item and expressing your thoughts.

Kind regards,

s.22(1)

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