

File No.: 04-1000-20-2023-404

August 4, 2023

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 July 7, 2023 under the ***Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*** for:

Record of electronic submissions from the public to the "Shape Your City" inbox regarding development application DP-2022-00500 for 2086-2098 W 7th Avenue and 2091 W 8th Avenue. Date range: June 21, 2023 to June 27, 2023.

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 (#04-1000-20-2023-404); 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,

[Signed by Cobi Falconer]

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If you have any questions, please email us at foi@vancouver.ca and we will respond to you as soon as possible. Alternatively, you can call the FOI Case Manager at 604-871-6584.

Encl. (Response package)

:pm



Respondent No: 23

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 22, 2023 09:58:41 am

Last Seen: Jun 22, 2023 09:58:41 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

It is unclear how this proposed development will operate effectively and positively in the future. If any of the residential units are damaged in a way that makes them uninhabitable, a person will lose housing and the operator will lose income. This can become a vicious cycle and it affects supportive housing in major cities, including Los Angeles. <https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2023-02-12/the-failure-of-skid-row-housing-trust-doesnt-mean-housing-homeless-people-wont-work-but-avoid-the-pitfalls> Why did the City of Vancouver and BC Housing allow, consider, and insist on only one design for this housing proposal? Other options are available that provide greater and more numerous benefits, including lower rental rates. Moreover, why are many of the buildings, available for lease or sale in Vancouver, not being retrofitted and made into housing? <https://www.cbc.ca/news/science/green-affordable-housing-1.6876487> With the Minister of Housing stating repeatedly that there is a "housing crisis," this current proposal is the wrong initiative at the wrong place at the wrong time. It will not help the City with its strategy of ending homelessness and treating its residents with dignity and respect.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC

s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 24

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 22, 2023 10:13:54 am

Last Seen: Jun 22, 2023 17:13:55 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

Hi there, I think it has been very clear that there is significant opposition to this proposal. Fears and questions and concerns have now gone unanswered and pushed off. My biggest concern is that the City has made no effort to answer these questions or address these fears and now they're completely bypassing the justice system to deliver on their own agenda. Residents are asking for answers, people are scared and stressed, and the City we've worked so hard to build is brushing off pleas for information. There is no doubt a building of this magnitude, and of this use, will drastically impact our neighborhood. What our community (myself included) doesn't understand is why the application can't be modified to meet other goals and priorities for the City of Vancouver while responding to some of the most prominent concerns. Vancouver is becoming an increasingly unaffordable place to live. Why not change the types of apartments in this building to service families or single mothers who need assistance? Our neighborhood is full of families and family services - that is where our strengths lie. Why must the building be the equivalent height of an 18-story building when it's only planned to be 13 stories? Those extra 5 stories make a world of a difference - particularly to the neighboring park and school, who really value afternoon sunlight. The point has been made by the City that similar buildings and similar plans in other parts of the City have faced no opposition. So why push here? Plan for elsewhere, and modify this building to meet other City goals. Thanks

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 25

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 23, 2023 17:21:21 pm

Last Seen: Jun 23, 2023 17:21:21 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

Highly against this high of the building. Please keep it to 4 stories just like the rest of the neighborhood

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 26

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 23, 2023 18:27:49 pm

Last Seen: Jun 23, 2023 18:27:49 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

The housing model proposed (congregated) doesn't solve homelessness. Please consider innovative housing models to support its tenants to thrive in a community that is ready to integrarte, as long as is SAFE for everyone, Including the children in the neighborhood

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 27

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 23, 2023 19:33:28 pm

Last Seen: Jun 23, 2023 19:33:28 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

This is being categorized as subsidized housing but in reality there is a huge component focused on it being a rehabilitation facility right across a small street to the entrance of a daycare and elementary school. The concern is that perhaps this can be moved a few blocks over rather than having an emergency entrance to drug addiction/overdoses facing a directly daycare and elementary school entrance. My specific concern is that similar to other facilities such as these where individuals who are struggling with addiction are camping out or utilizing narcotics/needles in front of the facility, however in this case it will also be in front of small children. The facility is good to have in Kitsilano, however I believe this facility's exact placement is not rightly suited and should not be directly in front of an entrance to a daycare and elementary school with an extremely high foot traffic comprised of young children.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 28

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 23, 2023 20:01:41 pm

Last Seen: Jun 23, 2023 20:01:41 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

I am opposed to the development because it is right across from a school, daycare and playground. I'm not a NYMBY. I'm a "not in front of my child's school courtyard because there is no supervised injection site". There is no plan to ensure the health and safety of children. Eby accused us of not being good Catholics. Would he send his kids to school right across from 100+ drug users? Would this development be considered in front of a public school or an expensive private school? I am also opposed because the development is only for singles and will not help families in need. Finally, the project is only proceeding to this stage thanks to Eby's Bill 26, which is unconstitutional and dictatorial.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 29

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 24, 2023 01:53:53 am

Last Seen: Jun 24, 2023 01:53:53 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

Every resident in this home should be someone who is safe being in close proximity to young children as there is a school across the street. No violent offenders and no active drug use would be the very lowest bar that should be established for these homes.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Mixed



Respondent No: 30

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 24, 2023 09:36:22 am

Last Seen: Jun 24, 2023 15:59:03 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

Dear Mayor Sim and Members of the Vancouver City Council, I am writing to express my deep concerns and disappointment regarding the recent approval of the development application for 2086-2098 W 7th Ave and 2091 W 8th Ave (DP-2022-00500). While I acknowledge the importance of social housing and support its creation in our city, the manner in which this particular project was approved raises serious questions about the integrity of the process and the decision-making of the former Mayor. The development application was approved without adhering to the appropriate legal steps and procedures. This fact alone casts doubt on the transparency and fairness of the approval process, which should be the cornerstone of any decision made by our esteemed City Council. The former Mayor's failure to respect these legalities undermines the trust and confidence that citizens like myself place in our elected representatives. Furthermore, I find it deeply concerning that the concerns and objections raised by more than 300 speakers during the public consultations were seemingly disregarded. These individuals presented compelling arguments based on scientific studies and research, appealing to common sense and even providing evidence of potential corruption. It is disheartening to witness a decision that appears to be driven by a political agenda rather than a genuine consideration of the needs and concerns of our community, including those whom the project purportedly intends to help. The proposed development, with its plan to accommodate 150 drug users without proper supervision and a safe consumption site, is particularly alarming. Its proximity to a toddler park, a daycare, a grade school, and several other educational institutions raises valid concerns about the safety and well-being of our children. The response provided during the approval process, regarding the absence of windows or balconies to prevent individuals from jumping, is both unsettling and baffling. Constructing such a facility in such a location defies common sense and raises serious doubts about the rationale behind this decision. I firmly believe that social housing is a pressing need in our area, our city, and our province as a whole. However, it is essential that special attention is given to low-income families, essential professionals, and workers who require assistance in maintaining healthy and vibrant communities. I must emphasize that my objection is not rooted in the notion of "NIMBY" (not in my backyard), as it is essential for us to address the complex issue of drug abuse and provide support to those who need it. However, the approach taken by the Province, and specifically this particular project, has proven to be a failure and has ignored a more comprehensive and effective solution. Moreover, it is disconcerting that the previous approval process incurred significant costs, amounting to millions of dollars. One of the primary responsibilities of the former Mayor was to ensure the legal certainty and proper functioning of the City Council. However, it is evident that this duty was not fulfilled in this case, leading to wastage of public funds, resources, and valuable time. It is only fair and just that the person(s) responsible for this oversight be held accountable through appropriate administrative actions or sanctions. In conclusion, I urge you, Mayor Sim, and the esteemed members of the Vancouver City Council, to reevaluate the approval of the development application for 2086-2098 W 7th Ave and 2091 W 8th Ave (DP-2022-00500). I implore you to consider the legitimate concerns and objections raised

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 31

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 24, 2023 13:50:27 pm

Last Seen: Jun 24, 2023 13:50:27 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

I oppose this development permit application. This building looks institutional and does not blend in to the community and stigmatizes the residents. Having a building with substance use services for the large concentration of residents, many with untreated mental illness and addictions is not safe for the neighbourhood and does not lead the residents to recovery with the adequate supports. This type of development attracts criminal elements to the neighbourhood and does not help achieve city goals and priorities.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1) Vancouver BC

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 32

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 24, 2023 15:34:33 pm

Last Seen: Jun 24, 2023 15:34:33 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

The issue of crime is a legitimate concern to the existing neighbourhood and to anyone who will live in, work in, or be near this supportive housing site, should it be built. It is unclear whether the on-site drug consumption room will be reserved for those living in the building or if it will be available to the general public. What is clear is that a drug-treatment centre needs to be immaculate, drug diversion needs to be prevented, and people need to be protected from harm such as drug dealing in the treatment centre. <https://www.npr.org/2023/06/07/1180231343/few-are-tackling-stigma-in-addiction-care-some-in-seattle-want-to-change-that> It is clear that drug treatment centres, when well-run, can benefit an entire community. Therefore, why is it that the City of Vancouver and BC Housing rely so heavily on harm reduction instead of all Four Pillars. Introduced in Switzerland and championed by Phil Owens, former three-time Mayor of Vancouver, the Four Pillars are prevention; harm reduction; treatment; and enforcement. <https://www.northcarolinahealthnews.org/2019/01/21/switzerland-couldnt-stop-drug-users-so-it-started-supporting-them/> <https://www.aclu.org/news/criminal-law-reform/one-thing-you-can-say-war-drugs-we-gave-it-fair-shot> According to a study by Johns Hopkins University, drug treatment centres are less of a concern for crime than liquor stores. Why then, would you create a supportive housing site, where a highly vulnerable population will live, within 500-meters of at least four liquor stores? <https://hub.jhu.edu/magazine/2016/spring/nimby-drug-treatment-centers/> Even if police patrols are stepped up at the new, Arbutus SkyTrain station, those efforts will be short-lived. Additionally, there is a high probability that any enforcement will target vulnerable populations, unfairly. <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/bc-transit-public-violence-solutions-1.6813746> This will be terrible. While decriminalization of drugs is no longer a crime, using and/or distributing are. The fact that stiffer penalties result from such actions occurring near schools creates a disaster-in-waiting for the people this proposal is meant to help and to serve. <https://ppsc-sppc.gc.ca/eng/pub/fpsd-sfpg/fps-sfp/tpd/p6/ch02.html>

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 33

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 24, 2023 16:04:41 pm

Last Seen: Jun 24, 2023 16:04:41 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

Urban design plan has not accounted for the layered impact exposure of the Broadway Subway Project terminal station, Proposed housing development, future Broadway Plan density, Elementary School proximity, Delmont Park immediacy, women's recovery home location, and Arbutus Greenway corridor. Show substantive study evidence that this 2-block area has the capacity to handle such infrastructure growth. With no set-back from the sidewalk along Arbutus, this leaves school children and pedestrians navigating along the sidewalk exposed to hazards that may come from directly above windows of the proposed housing development. The City better take this back to the drawing board, because your LIABILITY if a child gets hurt is very high.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 34

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 24, 2023 17:11:49 pm

Last Seen: Jun 24, 2023 17:11:49 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

Does the city and province consider it be a conflict of interest to award a \$64M contract which comes out to a build price of ~\$1500 sq/ft to former mayor Gregor Robertson's company? After ex CEO Shayne Ramsey gave away millions in contracts without due process to his wife, one would imagine there would be a much stronger level of scrutiny and care when contracts are awarded so that there isn't even a hint of misconduct when it comes to the tax payers money?

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 35

Login: Anonymous

Email: n/a

Responded At: Jun 24, 2023 18:00:52 pm

Last Seen: Jun 24, 2023 18:00:52 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

Building form and public interface has not improved from the initial proposal. The building remains institutional in form and stigmatizing for residents. If this building was used for family and children, not using modular technology, more than 129 people could be housed. This inefficiency is against City housing goals to house as many people as possible.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 36

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 24, 2023 18:01:57 pm

Last Seen: Jun 24, 2023 18:01:57 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

Building form and public interface has not improved from the initial proposal. The building remains institutional in form and stigmatizing for residents. If this building was used for family and children, not using modular technology, more than 129 people could be housed. This inefficiency is against City housing goals to house as many people as possible.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 37

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 09:48:38 am

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 16:48:38 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

This development is a poor fit in terms of its institutional building for which is stigmatizing for the residents. As well it has a very negative impact on the immediate neighborhood, including the 460 child elementary school and daycare. As well as the Women's Recovery Housing next door. No mental health or addictions care in building or in nearby area. It is also against city policies to house as many as possible. 129 people in a building of this size is not optimal usage of valuable public landspace near a station. Considerably more people could be housed (250+), by using traditional building techniques, and having mixed units of studio, 1, 2 and 3 bedrooms. Having social housing for children and families is of great need and aligned to the services in the area for families like schools. Housing like this could also house teachers/support people for those family services. This development is a complete miss, from a planning and urban development perspective. I would hope given your role that this is obvious and this application needs to be rejected.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 38

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 10:02:29 am

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 10:02:29 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

Urban design plan has not accounted for the layered impact exposure of the Broadway Subway Project terminal station, Proposed housing development, future Broadway Plan density, Elementary School proximity, Delmont Park immediacy, women's recovery home location, and Arbutus Greenway corridor. Show substantive study evidence that this 2-block area has the capacity to handle such infrastructure growth. No consideration has been given to the increase in vehicular, pedestrian and cyclist traffic once the Broadway Subway project is complete along the major arterial thoroughfare, Arbutus Street.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 39

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 10:12:37 am

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 19:50:20 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

Services and supervision is not adequate addresses.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC,

s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Mixed



Respondent No: 40

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 10:16:20 am

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 10:16:20 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

This development is a poor fit to the neighbourhood in terms of its institutional style of the building which is stigmatizing for the residents. As well it has a very negative impact on the immediate neighborhood, including the 460+ children at the elementary school children and daycare directly across the street. As well as the Women's Recovery Housing next door. There will be no mental health or addictions care in buildings or in nearby areas that do not serve the needs of the residents. Belief that the SkyTrain station is the solution is flawed. All the above make this development a significant public safety issue for the entire community and this application needs to be rejected.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 41

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 10:50:13 am

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 17:50:14 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

The public consultation had between 85 and 90% opposition to this project, if the city going to start paying attention now? The building's harm reduction model with on-site substance use consumption room for the residents brings a criminal element to the neighbourhood and is a risk for school children, for the women in the adjacent women's supportive recovery home, for seniors in the seniors housings close by, as well as to the residents. This building is better suited for families and children who can benefit from the location, which has significant family infrastructure, and help achieve City goals and priorities. · Details on the housing agreement, tenanting and associated supports are not defined or provided. · BC Housing and City of Vancouver staff maintain that approximately half of the units in the proposed development would be operated as supportive housing, and the other half as units for deeply affordable social housing. However, based on the terms of the proposed tenanting in Referral Report, 100% of the units may operate as supportive housing. This was confirmed in the public hearing by the Rezoning Planner to be true. · Incompatibility with existing vulnerable populations (school children, women's recovery home and seniors) creates potential negative impacts for all parties. · Much needed housing for low-income families and seniors is not provided at a site that lends itself to this group. · Congregating a large number of low-barrier housing residents with similar problems of mental health and/or addictions in a harm reduction model without the proper treatment and supports in a harm reduction environment will only exacerbate the problems, and does not lead them on a path to recovery.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 42

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 12:08:05 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 17:50:14 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

building with families, children

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 43

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 12:12:21 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 12:12:21 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

I'm concern about the development of the supportive housing as there haven't been enough consultations and do not address the lack of safety.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 44

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 12:12:39 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 17:50:14 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

Support building that includes Children and women, families

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC,

s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 45

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 12:15:10 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 17:50:14 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

Open drug use next door to Santa Maria house will force its closure. A building that can work together with children and single mothers would be better for the community.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 46

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 12:17:12 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 12:17:12 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

The building's harm reduction model with on-site substance use consumption room for the residents brings a criminal element to the neighbourhood and is a risk for school children, for the women in the adjacent women's supportive recovery home, for seniors in the seniors housings close by, as well as to the residents. This building is better suited for families and children who can benefit from the location, which has significant family infrastructure, and help achieve City goals and priorities.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 47

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 12:19:00 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 17:50:14 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

I OPPOSE THE MODEL AS IT IS, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE CONSIDERATION TO THE EXISTING BUILDINGS IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD SUCH AS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND WONENS RECOVERY HOME. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A MODEL THAT INCLUDES WOMEN AND CHILDREN AND A MODEL PROPER TO THE SCALE OF THE BUILDINGS OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD AND THAT SUPPORTS MOTHERS AND CHILDREN.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 48

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 12:20:36 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 12:20:36 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

Incompatible with existing vulnerable populations, (womens recovery home and seniors) creates potential negative impacts for all parties.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 49

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 12:25:12 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 12:25:12 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

The people struggling with addiction and or mental health issues need support! Where is the port! This is absolutely terrible. And wrong. The outcomes because of this potentially fatal. Both for the residents and the surrounding neighbourhood. This will be a disaster for everyone. And the children and parents will have to take up the responsibility of protecting the children and families. It's just not fair. There is NO Logic involved in the creation and various aspects of this project of Social Housing. I am all for Social Housing if it makes sense!

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 50

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 12:28:51 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 12:28:51 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

The harm reduction model is with on-site substance use consumption room threatens the women's recovery home and its residents as they are an abstinence drugs free housing and will cause harm and relapse in their recovery. This is incompatible to the vulnerable residents in the area including the school.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 51

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 12:54:06 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 12:54:06 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

Shelterrate housing with an open drug room will force the women's recovery house on 7th to close. Shame on the city. Build housing for single mothers, children with a daycare.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 52

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 13:12:17 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 13:12:17 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

This is a terrible idea. Will lower home values and bring crime and panhandling to a decent neighbourhood. There is also no accompanying social programs to help those that will be housed here (addictions and recovery services).

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 53

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 15:37:24 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 15:37:24 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

I am opposed to this proposed project in its current form and the public consultation process leading up to this point. The proposed building is very large for the size of the space in a very high traffic, high density area, and the proposed demographic of the building does not seem like the best fit for an area surrounded by school children and a playground. Please reconsider a better use of this space, which takes into account the feedback from the neighbouring community.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Vancouver, BC, Canada

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 54

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 20:42:35 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 20:42:35 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

I'm highly opposed to the BC Housing re-zoning application at the site of Arbutus/7th. I've been both involved and a member of the Kitsilano community for many years and I feel the impact on the community would be both extremely negative. The school population across from the site, the church down the street, the women's shelter beside the site and traffic in the surrounding areas would be affected the most negatively. The area does not support a building of the size and purpose proposed. I sincerely hope the City decides on a more appropriate site for the proposed building and vulnerable people so that they'd have the supports and local amenities for success. Regards, 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: 55

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 20:45:38 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 17:50:14 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

85% are against this, and those that are for it, work in the poverty industry (getting wealthy selling heroin to the vulnerable).
When will you start to listen????

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 56

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 20:49:12 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 17:50:14 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

KEN SIM said before the election that he would not support this, now he has been rolling on it, what happened? David Eby got to him? Bad model for the most vulnerable, bad model for the neighbourhood. Say NO

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC,

s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 57

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 20:53:16 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 17:50:14 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

SAY NO. 85% are against this Terrible model, but those in the poverty industry who have a contract to sell opioids in vending machines what this. Why is that? Say NO

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 58

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 20:57:28 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 17:50:14 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

NO, NO, No. Everyone has said NO. The last City council fell because of this, and now???? Say NO

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 59

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 20:59:11 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 17:50:14 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

Think about the children. We need housing for children and single mothers.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC,

s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 60

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 21:02:43 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 21:02:43 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

This proposal does realistically review the challenges and risk to the school, and daycare only metres away. I support housing projects but I'm also well aware of the challenges people struggling with addiction and recovery. Why isn't the city and government helping all vulnerable people. The elderly that can't afford rent, people with physical disabilities and single families trying to put a meal on the table. Don't these people deserve to be located near transit, into communities with schools? This building should be a low income unit that provides housing to all sectors of the community not just one. I'm deeply disturbed and disappointed on the whole process that the city has conducted. I feel they are not be truthful and some dirty back door deals are being made. I hope the city is prepared to be held accountable not only in the first two years of this building but forever. The city doesn't allow Cannabis shops this close to schools but this building is okay. The City is trying to support one group of the population and things need to change.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 61

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 25, 2023 22:10:42 pm

Last Seen: Jun 25, 2023 22:10:42 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

Shame on anyone involved putting this next door to a school, it will turn out to be a new hub for the DTES. Absolute disgrace

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 62

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 26, 2023 11:14:05 am

Last Seen: Jun 26, 2023 11:14:05 am

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

Located across the street from the proposed site is an elementary school for 400 plus young students. Without the proposed building and to be completed skytrain station, the traffic in the area is already busy. Once the skytrain station comes on line, it is expected to become even busier as people travelling to UBC would be catching the connecting buses to reach their destination. It raises safety concerns for the youngsters. While affordable housing is important especially for the "at risk" population, on site services for such residents are even more important. Provision of such services at the proposed development is still under "consideration" without it being a part of the entire development plan. This suggests that little consideration is given to those youngsters (as young as 3 years) attending the school - not in the "area" but across the street from where they spend their formative years. I believe that should a large building be erected at a site that is so close to young children, the interests of the youngsters should be at par as those of the "at risk population". Hence, a development plan without covering all potential issues (i.e. not simply having them under consideration) is a half baked idea.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Mixed



Respondent No: 63

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 26, 2023 12:17:34 pm

Last Seen: Jun 26, 2023 19:17:35 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

First, I would like to acknowledge City staff's efforts in carrying out this process for a controversial project. For a design perspective, I am mostly concerned with two issues. The tower portion of the project looks like a giant box with no interesting features. It almost looks like a hospital and I am concerned that this design will not blend in with the immediate surroundings - residents should feel they are part of a neighbourhood rather than sticking out of the neighbourhood. Second, it remains perplexing to me that in the middle of a housing crisis the design of a 13 story building over an entire city block is only able to accommodate 129 individuals. This is contrary to City policies to house as many people as possible. While some single occupancy units may be appropriate, mixed units would house more people and would better blend in with the surrounding neighborhood. Regarding traffic, City Council required that a light be installed at the intersection of 7th and 8th. This should be installed before construction starts. Alternatively, there should be a requirement that crossing guards be provided at the Crosswalks on Arbutus at 7th and 8th during construction, if the light is not yet installed. Second, the vehicle entrance gate crossing the sidewalk on Arbutus Street is concerning given the high volume of children using the sidewalk to access five nearby schools. Also regarding traffic, I have seen emergency vehicles travel down the wrong side of Arbutus Street and turn the wrong way down 7th Avenue (through bike lanes and over the raised median) during busy rush hour times and school drop off/pick up times. The traffic planning in this area is extremely concerning. Emergency vehicles travelling South on Arbutus cannot turn left onto 7th Avenue, where the front door of the building is proposed to be. While they can turn left onto West 8th, that will be the location for the drop off for the Broadway Subway and possible future light rail on the Greenway. When the subway opens, emergency vehicle access travelling down Arbutus towards the North will be impeded by double length buses entering and exiting the bus loop, forcing emergency vehicles into oncoming traffic in an already congested area with two crosswalks in a school zone. City Council also required that the applicants explore other funding options to make this proposed development more inclusive. No information has been provided to date on those efforts, if any. This information should be provided before the DP is approved. Finally, a site specific security report should be required and any results provided to the community.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 64

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 26, 2023 13:14:45 pm

Last Seen: Jun 26, 2023 13:14:45 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

I am extremely concerned about safety in general as a result of this building as it's location is WAY too close to an elementary school in my opinion. - specifically safety for the schoolchildren & the increase in traffic. I feel that there has not been enough due diligence in this regard. My children attend St. Augustine's school and traffic was already very heavy. Now the city is adding a bus loop across the street PLUS this development over and above that. We have also been an avid supporter of the Sancta Maria House which houses & support women seeking freedom from substance abuse. Putting this development effectively ACROSS from this shelter does such a disservice to those women's recovery & progress. We have lived in Vancouver for s.22(1). However, this whole experience with the new development on 8th & bus loop and seemingly disregard for public input, was one of the reasons that we prompted us in our decision to move. We wanted to live in a city that valued their citizen's voices and we strongly felt that Vancouver has failed to acknowledge the concerns of parents and residents of that area. Recommendation: the city needs to consider an alternative location!!

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 65

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 26, 2023 17:27:43 pm

Last Seen: Jun 26, 2023 17:27:43 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

Ineffective and inefficient floor space. We need 2 and 3 bedrooms for families. This is a terrible model.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 66

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 26, 2023 17:27:46 pm

Last Seen: Jun 26, 2023 17:27:46 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

Ineffective and inefficient floor space. We need 2 and 3 bedrooms for families. This is a terrible model.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 67

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 26, 2023 17:32:08 pm

Last Seen: Jun 26, 2023 17:32:08 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

85% of the public consultation are against this. Terrible model for the neighborhood, terrible model for those who it is meant to help. Need building for families.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 68

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 27, 2023 00:42:44 am

Last Seen: Jun 27, 2023 07:42:44 am

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

As close as this lot is to the future Arbutus Station, it should really be much taller than this. But I suppose we have to take what we can get.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Support



Respondent No: 69

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 27, 2023 11:08:09 am

Last Seen: Jun 27, 2023 18:08:09 pm

IP Address: s.22(1)

Q1. Your comments:

Being so close to a SkyTrain station it is a shame this building cannot be taller with more homes. All things considered I think this strikes the right balance and the housing is desperately needed. Please expedite this application as much as possible.

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Support



Respondent No: 70

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 27, 2023 13:11:50 pm

Last Seen: Jun 27, 2023 13:11:50 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

Reading through the literature, the building shows zero ft to the sidewalk from second floor and up. Just in the news last week was a major issue at a SRO where someone was throwing things out their window trying to injure people. There are 500 little kids across the street and that walk to school on the sidewalk directly underneath this building with no setback. This is unbelievably unsafe for these little Kids as residents can and obviously have in the past tossed things onto the sidewalk from their windows. What happens when someone high from using drugs on the open drug usage room goes up to their room on the 13th floor and starts throwing items down? A child could literally be killed. What is your plan to prevent this?

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC,

s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 71

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 27, 2023 13:22:47 pm

Last Seen: Jun 27, 2023 13:22:47 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

1) How does the application affect the immediate surroundings? Neither the City of Vancouver nor BC Housing have answered this question. Will a drug treatment centre be located on or near the premises? If yes, who may access the centre? Who will be accountable should an incident occur or if cleaning needs to occur? Which entity will be legally bound to pay for mitigation measures? Which will be the defendant should litigation develop? 2) How does the application fit with the City's goals and priorities? One goal is to tackle the housing crisis. However, this is impossible when the root problem is that of rental affordability. 129 individual units will have no positive impact when tens of thousands of families are at risk of homelessness. <https://vancouversun.com/news/local-news/exclusive-bc-rental-crisis-puts-100000-households-at-risk-homeless> Right now, Canada faces a monumental challenge. Rather than cooperate, multiple politicians blame one another and/or insult communities. Alternatives to this proposal were presented to Vancouver City Council and through the Shape Your City forums. It is unclear why these fell on deaf ears. <https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/housing-crisis-canada-politicians-1.6887675> 3) What are your concerns about the application and how should they be addressed? Will the City of Vancouver and BC Housing care for the people, who will live in this supportive housing? When emails and Memorandum of Understanding are released only after freedom of information requests, it does little or nothing to instill confidence and trust in standard operating procedures and with institutions. The news about Lina's Place in New Westminster is especially troubling. <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/linas-place-new-westminster-bc-foi-1.6887519>

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC, s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed



Respondent No: 72

Login: s.22(1)

Email:

Responded At: Jun 27, 2023 13:46:03 pm

Last Seen: Jun 27, 2023 13:46:03 pm

IP Address: n/a

Q1. Your comments:

I'm extremely confused and concern how there can be zero setbacks from the sidewalk for this building. This will be next door to the busiest sky train station in the city with thousands of people constantly walking by on what is an extremely narrow sidewalk to begin with. Add to that the hundreds of young children at the school, daycare and adjacent park, they will be forced onto an extremely busy street. This is beyond dangerous. How will a parent with a stroller or a toddler on a bike possibly be able to navigate this sidewalk. Someone will be killed. This is horrible planning and needs to clearly be re thought out

Q2. Street address

s.22(1)

Q3. Postal code

Vancouver, BC s.22(1)

Q4. Your overall position about the application:

Opposed