

Date: March 7, 2022
Time: 3:00 p.m.
Place: Webex

PRESENT:**Board**

C. OKell Director, Permitting Services
T. O'Donnell General Manager, Planning, Urban Design, and Sustainability
M. Au Assistant Director, Permitting Services
K. Mulji Director, Projects, Engineering

Advisory Panel

B. Wakelin Representative of the Design Professions (Urban Design Panel)
C. Vaness Representative of the General Public
M. Biazi Representative of the Design Professions
K. Krangle Representative of the General Public
R. Kandola Representative of the General Public
D. Pretto Representative of the Development Industry

Regrets

Monica Moore Representative of the General Public
Michael Joko Representative of the General Public

ALSO PRESENT:**City Staff:**

H. Shayan, Urban Design & Development Planning
E. Tsang-Trinaistich, Development Services
J. Greer, Development Services
K. Hsieh, Development Services
L. Beaulieu, Landscape
D. Lee Engineering

1616-1698 W Georgia Street DP-2021-00409 – CD-1 (COMPLETE APPLICATION)

Anthem Properties Group Ltd.

Paul Faibish, Anthem Properties Group Ltd.
Chris Carter, Anthem Properties Group Ltd.

Jinsuk Park, KPF
Nastaran Moradinejad, PFS Studios

Recording Secretary: M. Sem

1. MINUTES APPROVED

Moved by **MS. O'DONNELL** and seconded by **MS. AU**, the December 13th, 2021 minutes were approved.

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

3. 1616-1698 W Georgia St - DP-2021-00409 - (COMPLETE APPLICATION)

Applicant: Anthem Properties Group Ltd.

Request: To develop this site with a 33-storey multiple dwelling building with 126 dwelling units, all over 7 levels of underground parking, having vehicular access from Bidwell Street.

Opening Comments

Mr. Hamid Shayan, Development Planner, presented the proposal and summarized the Recommendations contained in the Staff Committee Report.

Applicant's Comments

The applicant will work with staff to meet the conditions for approval.

The Development Planner and applicant took questions from the Board and Panel members.

Comments from Speakers

No Speakers.

Panel Opinion

Mr. Wakelin noted concerns with the character of the parkade security element coming out to the face of the façade at the western elevation.

Mr. Biazi noted support for this project.

Mr. Biazi noted appreciation for incorporating the mechanical equipment within the envelope of the building.

Mr. Biazi also noted opportunity for further design development of the parkade entry.

Ms. Pretto noted support for the project.

Ms. Krangle noted support for the project.

Ms. Krangle noted the attractiveness of the building and the articulated step form working well in a fairly tight site.

Ms. Krangle suggested adding plantings on the southwest side to make it more pedestrian friendly.

Ms. Krangle suggested moving the public art to the northeast corner or to a more prominent location.

Ms. Krangle appreciates the mix unit sizes especially families.

Board Discussion

Ms. Mulji acknowledged staff and applicant team for their clear presentation.

Ms. Mulji noted support for the project.

Ms. Mulji noted appreciation for the responses to the design challenges, opening up the glazing at the entrance and increasing transparency.

Ms. Au noted appreciation for the interface and pedestrian access.

Ms. Au noted support for the project.

Ms. O'Donnell acknowledged staff and applicant team for their presentation and the advisory panel for their thoughtful comments.

Ms. O'Donnell noted support the project.

Motion

The decision of the Board: THAT the Board APPROVE Development Application **DP-2021-00409** subject to the conditions in accordance with the Staff Committee Report dated February 16, 2022.

Meeting adjourn at 3:49pm