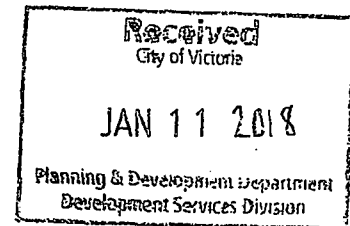


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Mayor Lisa Helps and Members of Council
City of Victoria
1 Centennial Square
Victoria, B.C. V8W 1P6

**Re: Suite at 566 Yates Street
Application for Development Permit (Variance)**

Dear Mayor Helps and Council

We have applied for a Building Permit for a conversion of an office space at the back of the building at 566 Yates. Through the city process we realized we will need to apply for Variance for the residential use at the ground level as it is not permitted on the ground floor.

Please consider this letter and the drawings as our application for a Development Permit & Variance allowing the residential use at ground level at the back of the building.

This proposal looks to utilize the unused 3-storey office space at the back of the building by converting it into 2 residential rental units. The existing office has remained vacant for some time now and the owner is trying to ensure their building is utilized to its full potential. These units would be accessed via the existing residential circulation, and create unique rental housing opportunity in the heart of the city.

The addition of rental residential component to the downtown core will benefit businesses and street life. The new residential provides a response to the changing urban fabric to live-work-play within the community.

Best regards,
Egor Revenko

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