Pamela Martin

From:

Joanne Kalvaitis

Sent:

May 18, 2018 6:16 AM

To:

Public Hearings

The City Council,

I live in Cubbon Apartments at 1044 Mason St. and received the two letters outlining the above amendment and temporary use application. I'm not in favour of either of these being approved. I am in favour of cannabis being legalized, but do not believe we need quite so many of these shops in this small neighborhood area. We've lost two coffee shops in recent days and I would much prefer we have more of those {tho I realize that is not the issue here}

My residence is in a "seniors only" building and while I know several of my fellow tenants rely on cannabis as a pain reliever, I also see no reason why we need more than one of these shops in this neighborhood to serve the residents living here and in the surrounding area.

One cannabis shop per so many blocks would make more sense.

Thank you,

JoAnne Kalvaitis

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From: Simon Austin May 23, 2018 8:03 AM
To: Public Hearings

Subject: Bylaw Zoning: Lot B, Suburban Lot 18, Plan 47830

Hello,

Further to the notice of May 11, 2018 requesting input on the proposed changes to 1725 Cook Street, I believe that the rezoning should be denied.

The surrounding buildings to this unit contain excellent local businesses (Jones BBQ and Mount Royal Bagels) which increase the attractiveness and appeal of the local area. Having a cannabis retailer in between these two businesses will detract from the appeal of the remaining operations in that lot.

Furthermore, following the closure of Fernwood Coffee Company, there is no now coffee shop or café in the region. Therefore, this lot would be better served as a coffee shop or another complimentary business to help sustain North Park/Fernwood as a destination for local produce.

Also, there are numerous other cannabis retailers a short walk away from this location, including on North Park Road, on Yates Street and further down on Cook Street. To contrast, there is no BC Liquor Store anywhere in the vicinity. There is a small liquor shop at Logans, and in Harris Green Mall.

Finally, Grant Street leads directly up to Victoria High School. Therefore, there will be many school children who will walk past this store which could increase the consumption of cannabis by minors.

Please do not disclose my email address.

Kind regards,

Simon