

Amanda Ferguson

From: Legislative Services email
Subject: FW: cannabis retail application

From: Jiefei Zhang [REDACTED]
Sent: May 27, 2020 11:22 PM
To: Legislative Services email <LegislativeServices@victoria.ca>
Subject: cannabis retail application

Hi,

Today i received a mail about a new cannabis retail application in my neighborhood. I highly believe this will attract more addictive people into my neighborhood and will probably set negative example for young kids here.
Please don't have a cannabis shop in our neighborhood.

My address is 1033 cook street.

Best,
Jiefei

Amanda Ferguson

From: CD [REDACTED]
Sent: May 28, 2020 11:49 AM
To: Legislative Services email
Subject: Licence application for a cannabis retail store at 1010 Cook St. - The Herbert Collins Group

I would like to include my name in support of a cannabis store at this location with the applicant being The Herbert Collins Group.

I live in the Mosaic building just off Cook St. – 310-1061 Fort St. and it would be a great location.

I am an owner of a condo in this building for 20 years.

We have many people in the building who use cannabis, outside, as we have a non-smoking building.

We used to have gulf island organics on Fort across from our building.

So a new store close by would be great.

Herb is a part of our community and most folks know him. Very friendly and respectful.

Thank you.

Regards,
Catherine Davey

Amanda Ferguson

From: joman lorenzo andoque [REDACTED]
Sent: May 28, 2020 10:34 AM
To: Legislative Services email
Subject: The Herbert Collins Inc

Hi City of Victoria,

I'm here to give comment about your applicant (The Herbert Collins Inc) located at 1010 Cook Street, Victoria, BC V8V 3Z4 that this cannabis retail store is worthy and will benefit in that neighborhood. They are extremely friendly and most of the neighborhood around knows them very dearly. I live across the street and Ive been very pleased about their customer services. I highly support this applicant.

Thank you so much for your time.

Cheers,

Joman Andoque

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From: Legislative Services email
Subject: FW: Applicant- 1010 Cook St.

From: Joseph Camilleri <[REDACTED]>
Sent: May 28, 2020 3:29 PM
To: Legislative Services email <LegislativeServices@victoria.ca>
Subject: Applicant- 1010 Cook St.

Attention Please:

My wife and I are not in favour of The Herbert Collins Group Inc. application for a cannabis retail store at 1010 Cook St., Victoria, BC V*V 3Z5.

I think that all level of governments should stop the growth and spread of these stores, we do not to encourage people to smoke up. If smoking tobacco is harmful, how does smoking pot all of a sudden has become healthy? Please do not tell me it's for medicinal purposes, as it seems a large percentage of people are in some kind of pain lately!

Cheers,

Joseph Camilleri
Dorothy Camilleri

Amanda Ferguson

From: Kate Trotter [REDACTED]
Sent: May 28, 2020 1:13 PM
To: Legislative Services email
Subject: Input into a provincial licence application for cannabis retail 1010 Cook Street
Attachments: 1010 Cook Street Cannabis store.pdf

Please find attached my written comments regarding the above application. Please keep my email address confidential, but please email me if clarification is required.

Cheers

Lael

Mayor and Councillors:

I am opposed to licensing the premises at 1010 Cook Street for cannabis retail for the following reasons:

1) The provincial *Cannabis Retail Store Licence Terms and Conditions* has security requirements for cannabis retail business far exceeding those required of general neighbourhood services, specifically: security cameras, intruder alarms, secure storage and door locks. This presupposes that cannabis stores are a high target for theft and other illegal activities.

This location is bordered by two residential buildings, with a third across the street. Residents in this area already experience high rates of trespass, vandalism and theft and permitting a use that is presupposed for further similar activity is unfair.

2) There is inadequate parking. Please do not assume that this outlet will only serve walk-in customers; the adjacent coffee shop and restaurant are neighbourhood amenities that attract a surprising amount of vehicle traffic. The on-street parking is always occupied, as are parking spots on nearby streets, usually by people visiting shops and services on Fort Street. People intending a quick stop look for convenient parking and find it – right next door in the private parking lot of the building I live in.

The problem is getting worse. They park – and idle – on the parking apron, they park in the visitor spots and when these are full, they park in spots designated for residents who, upon returning from their errands, cannot unload their groceries. Many drivers, when asked to leave the private parking, are surprisingly rude and occasionally confrontational. The building is occupied by seniors, and these encounters are unpleasant and upsetting.

Our parking area cannot be gated, and even if it could be, the cost would be beyond what residents could afford. Our requests of nearby businesses to post a sign discouraging parking in our lot have been rebuffed. No-parking signs are ignored. Drivers do not remain long enough to warrant towing.

Please take these concerns seriously, as a cannabis outlet will have an effect on the quality of life of those who live in the surrounding neighbourhood. There is no shortage of retail opportunities on Fort and other streets that have sufficient parking and fewer residents to disturb.

Lael Trotter
1052 Rockland Avenue
Victoria, BC

Amanda Ferguson

From: Sherrie Klein [REDACTED]
Sent: May 28, 2020 9:40 AM
To: Legislative Services email
Subject: 1010 Cook St Cannabis store

I am an owner resident at 1033 Cook St in the new Black & White condo project. Our 2 bedroom unit is on the 5th Floor facing Meares. Although not my thing, I am not against the legalization of Marijuana. But I do wish that people would eat edibles over smoking. I live in a non-smoking building but unfortunately I still need to close my windows due to the smell of pot wafting into our bedroom.

I am not happy nor do I support the proposal of a Cannabis store opening up across the street. Is it really necessary or needed. Cannabis Stores are “everywhere” and the smell is “everywhere” when walking throughout our beautiful city and in our parks. And now even when I am in my home in a non-smoking building I still have to participate in someone else’s habit.

A Cannabis store across the street from my home will only add to the air quality issue that many of us non-smokers endure. You would think since Covid19 which attacks the lungs and immune system would also discourage the smoking of marijuana.

I want my email address to remain private.

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From: Legislative Services email
Subject: FW: cannabis licence application for 1010 Cook Street

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: June 3, 2020 4:41 PM
To: Legislative Services email <LegislativeServices@victoria.ca>
Subject: Re: cannabis licence application for 1010 Cook Street

We have no objection to the licence application for a cannabis retail store at the above address.

David Shrive and Carol Foott (owners)
301-1014 Rockland Ave

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Amanda Ferguson

From: Legislative Services email
Subject: FW: 1010 Cook St Application for a cannabis retail

From: SHIRLEY MILLAR [REDACTED]
Sent: June 4, 2020 8:50 AM
To: Legislative Services email <LegislativeServices@victoria.ca>
Subject: 1010 Cook St Application for a cannabis retail

Thank you for the It's Your Neighbourhood letter from The City of Victoria and the opportunity to comment on this application.

I am NOT in favour of this request to have a cannabis retail store at 1010 Cook St. The neighbourhood is a busy and NICE area where there is a recently renovated beautiful family park, little shops, walking enjoyment, a place for dinner, coffee and meetups for Moms with small children, Seniors, tourists and newly added beautiful condo living.

The drawback that I foresee is that:

1. It will bring unwanted traffic to an already bustling area.
2. Parking will become more limited to those residents who want to enjoy their favourite places in the area.
3. Mother's with small children do not want to be around that sort of environment
4. Myself, being a senior does not want to be around that sort of environment either or have it close to where I chose to live, first. As may others.
5. Security may have to be posted (for example I have family living on Scott St. At the top of the street is a cannabis store. Monitor a typical evening scene especially close to the close of the day) Cars are lined up to get into the store. It is across from a family mall where cars are turning everywhere and at times, I have seen a Security guard at the store. This was prior to Covid.
6. The Cook Street Village Area is just not the right environment for a Cannabis Retail Store, and as a resident, I do not want this type of environment introduced to this area at all.

Thank you

Shirley Millar

Pierre-Paul Angelblazer

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: May 30, 2020 2:28 PM
To: Legislative Services email
Subject: cannabis retail store

Hi,
Just wanted to weigh in on the application for a cannabis retail store at 1010 Cook St.
Do we really need yet another pot shop in Victoria? I don't want one right around the corner
from where I live. People will be smoking in the immediate vicinity and I really don't like the
odour or want to breathe in second hand smoke.
Thanks for the opportunity to express my opinion.
Anita Colman
310-1126 Rockland
Victoria, BC V8V 3H7

Pierre-Paul Angelblazer

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: June 3, 2020 2:29 PM
To: Legislative Services email
Subject: The Herbert Collins Group Inc. cannabis retail application

Good afternoon,

We run the bike shop in the same building as “Herbie’s” and have greatly enjoyed having them as neighbours. They are a warm and friendly addition to the neighbourhood, and we have not experienced any undue security or other problems. Over the past few years, it appears that Herb has made every effort to cooperate with regulators at all levels, and to keep a clean and appropriate storefront. We are supportive of their application to become official cannabis retailers as we believe that both the location and the people are well suited to it.

Thank-you,

Audrey Graham

Owner/operator – PitStop Bikes 1014 Cook St.
[REDACTED]

Pierre-Paul Angelblazer

From: Chantelle Fortin <[REDACTED]>
Sent: May 31, 2020 11:02 AM
To: Legislative Services email
Subject: Provincial Licence Application - The Herbert Collins Group Inc

Members
Legislative Services Department
City of Victoria
Email: i

Dear members:

This email is sent in response to the City's notification about the provincial licence application for a cannabis retail store at 1010 Cook Street by the Herbert Collins Group Inc.

Although we are not consumers of cannabis products and wouldn't normally comment on such applications, we are familiar with Mr. Herb Collins. Mr. Collins is a kind and conscientious person who genuinely wishes to help others. Herb has earned our respect over the years and we are delighted to support his application to open a cannabis retail store in our neighbourhood. We couldn't think of a more suitable person to run such an enterprise and make it a welcome and contributing part of our community.

Thank you for the opportunity to show our support of this endeavour. We look forward to welcoming the Herbert Collins Group to the neighbourhood.

Sincerely,

Chantelle Fortin
and Shaun Millar
The Aria
N904-737 Humboldt St
Victoria BC V8W 1B1

The Mosaic
417-1061 Fort St
Victoria BC V8V 3K5

Pierre-Paul Angelblazer

From: Jared Wong [REDACTED]
Sent: June 5, 2020 2:31 PM
To: Legislative Services email
Subject: RE: Herbert Colins Group Inc cannabis retail store licence

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Dear City of Victoria,

I would like to give my full support to the Herbert Collins Group Inc for their application for a cannabis retail store at 1010 Cook Street. I believe in Herb who is a big part of the Cook street community, and I think that a retail cannabis store would be wonderful for our for all the health benefits that can impact a persons life.

Sincerely,

Jared Wong
[REDACTED]

*please make address and phone number private

Pierre-Paul Angelblazer

From: Leilani Fraser-Buchanan [REDACTED]
Sent: May 30, 2020 12:31 PM
To: Legislative Services email
Subject: Input on Herbert Collins Group Inc Cannabis Retail Application

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to show my full support for The Herbert Collins Group Inc to receive their license. I have seen Herbert Collins around my neighbourhood for years and he has always been exceptionally kind, respectful and responsible.

Thank you,
Leilani Fraser-Buchanan
Apt. 201, 955 Cook St
Victoria, BC
Canada
V8V 3Z4

Pierre-Paul Angelblazer

From: Sandi Knowlton [REDACTED]
Sent: May 29, 2020 11:33 PM
To: Legislative Services email
Subject: Cannabis Retail 1010 Cook Street

Sure, fine with me. I actually already thought it was a cannabis shop.

Please keep my address and phone number private.

Regards,

Sandi Knowlton
[REDACTED]

Pierre-Paul Angelblazer

From: William Phillips JR [REDACTED]
Sent: June 1, 2020 8:20 AM
To: Legislative Services email
Subject: 1010 Cook St, Victoria BC

Hello,

Re:

Applicant: The Herbert Collins Group Inc
Civic Address: 1010 Cook St, Victoria BC V8V 3Z5

License – Application Cannabis Retail Store

I own property (strata condo) at 1116 Meares St, Victoria BC V8V 0E6.

I would like it to be known that I support the application for a Cannabis retail store in my neighborhood. Thus, the specified license should be granted to the applicant.

Regards,
William Phillips

William Phillips JR - President
[REDACTED]

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