

July 19, 2020

Mayor & Council
#1 Centennial Square
Victoria, BC

Dear Mayor and Council:

Burnside Gorge LUC Support for 2649 / 2659 Douglas Street & 735 Hillside Avenue Proposal

As a follow-up to our June 4, 2019 letter of review and support the Burnside Gorge Land Use Committee (BGLUC) would like restate our support for the District Developments Corp. development proposal of 2649 / 2659 Douglas Street & 735 Hillside Avenue.

This proposal conforms in a positive aspect with the Humber Green Area special planning concept. The discreet fourth floor addition to the Scott Building fits with the frontage envisioned along Douglas Street. Retention of the commercial use of the main floor has acknowledged the importance of this commercial use for the community. The conversion of the non viable office use on the second and third floors into rental residential units and the construction of a 6 storey residential building is a welcome addition the Burnside Gorge neighbourhood.

In our opinion the heritage appearance of the existing Scott Building has been maintained and enhanced with the revised addition and has retained the heritage character.

The Burnside Gorge LUC supports this revised proposal and reiterate our support for the developer's and architect's positive adaptation and rejuvenation of this landmark building and the addition of rental accommodation into our community.

Respectfully,



Avery Stetski
Land Use Committee Chair, Burnside Gorge Community Association

Cc: Sustainable Planning and Community Development Department
Mike Fujii - District Properties Group

TO **Mayor & Council**
City of Victoria
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DATE July 17, 2020

REGARDING **Support for Rezoning Application No. 00664 & Heritage Alteration Permit Application
No. 000180 for 2649-2659 Douglas Street & 735 Hillside Avenue**

Dear Mayor and Council,

RDH Building Science Inc. is a tenant at Midtown Court, located at 740 Hillside Avenue across the street from the proposed development. I am writing today to show our support for the mixed-use development that has been proposed by District Developments Corp. We feel that the proposed development will provide the City with much needed rental housing in addition to securing an iconic heritage building that has been a landmark in our community for many years.

The development is in a great location and has direct access to both bike and bus routes. We look forward to the aesthetic lift and positive energy that will be created on the block with the addition of new retail opportunities and renewed sense of neighbourhood.

Yours truly,

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Principal, Senior Building Science Specialist

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699 - 29TH STREET
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1395 MAPLE STREET
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5239 TRANS CANADA HWY
DUNCAN, BC V9R 2C0

425 EAST BROADWAY
VANCOUVER, BC V5T 1W9

7434 EDMONDS STREET
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4500 VANGUARD ROAD
RICHMOND, BC V6X 2P4

19558 - 56TH AVENUE
SURREY, BC V3S 6K4

DISTRIBUTION
17858 66TH AVENUE
SURREY, BC V3S 7X1

2045 PARAMOUNT CRESCENT
ABBOTSFORD, BC V2T 6A5

1602 KEBET WAY
PORT COQUITLAM, BC V3C 5W9

44129 YALE ROAD
CHILLIWACK, BC V2R 4H2

440 BANKS ROAD
KELOWNA, BC V1X 6A3

1020 WADDINGTON DRIVE
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298 DUNCAN AVE WEST
PENTICTON, BC V2A 7N1

324 DUNCAN AVE WEST
PENTICTON, BC V2A 7N1

1242 MCGILL ROAD
KAMLOOPS, BC V2C 6N6

2717 COLUMBIA AVENUE
CASTLEGAR, BC V1N 2X8

3500 Massey Drive
PRINCE GEORGE, BC V2N 2M4

2690 - 13TH AVENUE SW
SALMON ARM, BC V1E 1E4

4650 KEITH AVENUE
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13325 COMBER WAY
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Attention: Mayor and Council

July 21, 2020

Dear Mayor and Council:

**Re: Support for Rezoning Application No. 00664 & Heritage Alteration
Permit Application No. 000180 for 2649-2659 Douglas Street & 735
Hillside Avenue**

As a local business and property owner within the Hillside and Douglas area, we are writing to show our support for the mixed-use development that has been proposed by District Developments Corp. at 2649 – 2659 Douglas Street and 735 Hillside Avenue.

Andrew Sheret Limited is located at 740 Hillside Avenue, which is across the street from the proposed development. The proposed development will not only provide the City with much needed rental housing, but will also secure an iconic heritage building that has been a landmark in our community for many years.

As a business that has already invested significantly in the Douglas and Hillside area, we view the proposed development as a great improvement to the neighbourhood, and one that will help develop the overall vibrancy and gentrification of the local area through its mix of residential and commercial space.

We look forward to this new addition to the neighbourhood, and welcome any further questions that you may have from us in regard to the proposed project.

ANDREW SHERET LIMITED

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