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From: Gail Brown [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2021 3:42 PM
To: Legislative Services email
Subject: application for a cannabis retail store at 1-1725 Cook Street

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in support of this application. I live around the corner of this address on Balmoral Road. I believe the 1725 location was previously a retail outlet for cannabis that is easily accessible to pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles with parking in front and on side streets.

I am in my 80's with a prescription from my family doctor for medicinal cannabis. I take THC 375 dark chocolate bars for my osteoarthritis, achalasia and as an aid for insomnia. Previous across-the-counter drugs for insomnia and prescribed pharmaceuticals failed to provide the results and success I enjoy with cannabis. There are no side-effects and it costs less than the alternatives.

I submit my personal information and experience that I hope adds merit to your consideration of my support for this cannabis retail store application. As well, there seems to be a myth that cannabis is consumed mostly by younger adults and while that's true, it denies the reality that there are older adults who welcome the opportunity to access cannabis.

With this location, as one who walks with a walker, I will be able to walk around the corner and across the street and avoid traveling to my downtown location by bus that also requires considerable walking.

Respectfully,

Gail

Gail Brown / 102 – 1044 Balmoral Road / Victoria / BC V8T 1A8

Please keep my email and cell number information private.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2021 11:33 AM
To: Legislative Services email
Subject: Re: Cannabis Retail store at 1-1725 Cook Street

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

Good Morning,

I cannot believe the city is looking at putting another store in our North Park Neighbourhood that sells marijuana. We already have to put up with the Solid dispensary that has caused us so much grief since they moved into the neighbourhood. But thanks to the council's vote they were allowed to stay and cause us even more grief.

As for this store, I strongly request you put it somewhere else, we do not want any more Cannabis-related stores in this neighbourhood. Maybe the City of Victoria could look at attracting a butcher shop or anything else by cannabis.

I am the resident manager of a seniors complex and have tenants that are afraid to go out or walk the street because of the idiots that are out there, so please let's not invite more into the neighbourhood.

Mine is a great big **NO!!!!!!** to this the opening of this store.

Concerned resident,
S.J. Moyes

[REDACTED]

From: harold stanley [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 4:20 PM
To: Legislative Services email
Subject: Provincial License application for retail cannabis store 1725 Cook St.

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My name is Harold Stanley and I live at #12 - 1043 Caledonia Ave.. I am writing in response to a notice that was sent to my address concerning a Provincial License application for a cannabis retail store at #1 - 1725 Cook St..

I have no objection to this application. The address currently has the appropriate zoning for cannabis retail and there are, to my understanding, no other cannabis retail stores within 400 m of the subject site, the separation distance required under the current zoning. Nor is there a school within 200 m of the site, another requirement for the use.

Previous to this application, prior to the legalization of cannabis, the cannabis retailer Trees operated out of a storefront on N. Park St., a short distance from the subject site. From my observation and understanding, as a nearby resident, there were no problems related to this operation, which is no longer in use as they didn't have the appropriate zoning.

Note also that SOLID, located at the corner of N. Park and Cook, distributes cannabis as a medical treatment to a predetermined clientele as opposed to what a cannabis retailer does. Again, as a nearby resident, I have not observed any problems regarding their operation and don't foresee any occurring as a result of the two operations being in close proximity given that they serve different purposes.

So I am supportive of this application. However, should another application for a rezoning to allow cannabis retail occur within 400 m of the subject site I would hope that Council would adhere to the Zoning regulations and not approve the rezoning.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to comment on this application.

Sincerely

Harold Stanley

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Harold Stanley
M. Env. Design
Community Planning Consultant

[REDACTED]

From: Sean Coleman [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 10:00 PM
To: Legislative Services email
Subject: 1-1725 Cook Street

All for it! My full support. --
The Coalman.

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329-1035 North Park St
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We certainly don't need any more
cannabis in this area or in Victoria, that's
the predominant smell when one walks around
here.

Also we don't need any more children
hospitalized from eating cannabis laced
"pretty" candy that their cannabis user
parents can't seem to keep from them.

Sincerely
Occupant
329-1035 North Park St
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