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May 22, 2020

Mayor & Council
#1 Centennial Square
Victoria, BC

Dear Mayor and Council:

Rezoning Application for 2615 Douglas Street - Victoria Press Building

The Burnside Gorge Land Use Committee (BGLUC) has reviewed Merchant House Capital's amended application to rezone 2615 Douglas Street from S-1 Limited Service District to allow for a distillery use. In addition future uses for a tasting room, lounge, retail sales, and a restaurant/ brewpub would be included in the rezoning.

The original presentation to the BGLUC and the Burnside Gorge community included the option of these uses. There were no objections to the variances required in the proposal. Therefore the BGLUC does not foresee a need for another community presentation and recommends this application proceed to council.

The Burnside Gorge LUC is unanimous in endorsing this rezoning application.

Respectfully,



Avery Stetski
Land Use Committee Chair
Burnside Gorge Community Association

cc: Sustainable Planning and Community Development Department
David Fullbrook - Merchant House Capital

June 2, 2021

Mayor & Council
#1 Centennial Square
Victoria, BC

Dear Mayor and Council:

Revised Rezoning Application for 2615 Douglas Street - Victoria Press Building

The Burnside Gorge Land Use Committee (BGLUC) has reviewed Merchant House Capital's request to amend their previous rezoning application to include a new tenant use of a commissary kitchen and related café and offices.

The BGLUC had previously commented in a May 22, 2020 letter to council that we supported the amended application to rezone 2615 Douglas Street from S-1 Limited Service District to allow for a distillery use. In addition future uses for a tasting room, lounge, retail sales, and a restaurant/ brewpub would be included in the rezoning. The original presentation to the BGLUC and the Burnside Gorge community included the option of these uses. There were no community objections to the variances required in the original proposal.

As per the previous letter the BGLUC has agreed with waiving the requirement for a community meeting and the 30 day notification period to allow this latest revision to be included with the current rezoning application REZ00680 and development permit application DVP00247 for which the community meeting notice was also waived.

The Burnside Gorge LUC is unanimous in endorsing this rezoning application moving forward without a community meeting.

Respectfully,



Avery Stetski
Land Use Committee Chair
Burnside Gorge Community Association

cc: Sustainable Planning and Community Development Department
David Fullbrook - Merchant House Capital

October 13, 2021

Mayor Helps & Council
#1 Centennial Square
Victoria, BC

Dear Mayor Helps and Council:

Revised Rezoning Application Rez00630 & DPV00103 for 2615 Douglas Street - Victoria Press Building

The Burnside Gorge Land Use Committee (BGLUC) has reviewed and supports Merchant House Capital's request to amend their previous rezoning application to include a new tenant use of a commissary, kitchen, distillery, brewery, brewpub, liquor retail sales, restaurant, and related offices. In addition, we support the revised landscaping and entrance details along Douglas Street and Kings Road.

The BGLUC had previously commented in both a June 2, 2021 and a May 22, 2020 letter to council that we supported the amended application to rezone 2615 Douglas Street from S-1 Limited Service District to allow for a distillery use. The original presentation to the BGLUC and the Burnside Gorge community included the option of these uses. There were no community objections to the variances required in the original proposal.

This application is located in the Burnside Gorge Area Plan envisioned Humber Green village area, which is a mixed use concept incorporating manufacturing, commercial and residential uses. This application provides a successful combination of these functions and will be a welcome element.

As per the previous letter the BGLUC has agreed with waiving the requirement for a community meeting and the 30 day notification period to allow this latest revision to be included with the current rezoning application REZ00680 and development permit application DVP00247 for which the community meeting notice was also waived.

The Burnside Gorge LUC is unanimous in endorsing this revised rezoning application moving forward without a community meeting.

Respectfully,



Avery Stetski BGCA Land Use Committee Chair

cc: Sustainable Planning and Community Development Department
David Fullbrook - Merchant House Capital