From: Victoria Mayor and Council

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 27, 2022 4:03 PM

**To:** Public Hearings **Subject:** Fw: 822 Catherine St

From: Eve Gaudet

**Sent:** July 27, 2022 4:01 PM

To: Victoria Mayor and Council <mayorandcouncil@victoria.ca>

Subject: 822 Catherine St

Hello,

I'm writing about the development proposed for 822 Catherine Street. Unfortunately I am unable to attend the upcoming council meeting so would like to share my concerns about this development. I have 3 main concerns highlighted below.

- 1. This proposal by the development is not in keeping with our Vic West Community Plan. It exceeds the height allowance and its style is not in keeping with our community. We have a vibrant neighbourhood that has seen much improvement by homeowners over the past 15 years. The design does not "fit" with the neighbourhood. It is too large, too urban and requires variances that put it too close to the street.
- 2. This venture is part of a larger real estate investment that is buying up properties across the city to come in and redo current structure that do not need development. Much like Starlight properties, who have come into our city and become major land owners who now believe it is their right to develop as they see fit. Is this what we want for residential development? Vic West is not downtown, where developers have come in and done pretty much what they want and received too many concessions for their developments. That is NOT what we need in our residential neighbourhoods!
- 3. Most important, while I am not against the right development and I am for affordable housing, taking down this currently occupied structure will leave a number of people without homes. They are currently living in affordable apartments. Why would we even think about allowing the 822 Catherine Street development to build unaffordable housing? I can see Council agreeing to a building of 80-90% affordable housing, but absolutely not what is currently proposed.

I urge you to not vote favourably for the proposed development as it falls way too short on "right" development. I'm proud of my community and strongly oppose this kind of proposal, which has also not included the input and consultation with our neighbours.

Respectfully, Eve Gaudet



Eve Gaudet BA, CEC, PCC - Principal executive coach & leadership consultant

From: Julian West

Sent: Wednesday, July 27, 2022 8:18 PM

To: Public Hearings

**Subject:** Support for 822 Catherine | Public Hearing | July 28

Dear Mayor and Council,

I live in Vic West at the bottom of the hill from the subject site and I'm in full support of this proposal. Everyone loves our urban villages (Craigflower Village, Cook Street Village, etc.) but we stopped building them, to all of our loss. This project is a much needed investment to make the proposed Catherine Street Village something real, while adding badly needed housing.

Julian West |

From: Laura West

Sent: Wednesday, July 27, 2022 8:57 PM

**To:** Public Hearings

**Subject:** Support for 822 Catherine Street

I live in Victoria West, at the bottom of the hill from this proposal and I fully support this project. We visit Market Garden frequently and believe this proposal would be a fantastic addition to the neighborhood and help create a lovely urban village on Catherine Street.

Sincerely, Laura West From: Max Durando

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 27, 2022 10:57 PM

To:Public HearingsSubject:822 Catherine St

To Victoria City Council:

I live in the Railyards in Vic West and I support the proposal by Aryze for this address.

Max Durando 17-860 Central Spur Rd

July 28,2022. (Input) - Changes to 822 Catherine St. Zoning Regulation By law, Amendment By law (No. 1283) No. 22 -070 (NO) resoundingly Dev. Permit with Variances App. No-00173 No/Ho/No/No/No to all Variances from Louise Marreiros 410 Langford St. Victoria B.C. VicWestresident at this home 1988 - 2022 Mary St. rental prior Dyr. aprox. - born; Victoria, B.C. 1945 - employed Vic West elementary 1988 'til vetirement (aprox. 20 years) Active Vic West Community Association member from early 801/2, particularly at concept of Songhees development and "interactive community and city councils processes throughout" Variances of this nature west of Type are not to be even considered. (North Of Esquimalt: East of Esquimalt Border) Catherine St. Barrield Park, etc. Zone



Through all early consultations the city communicated that because the Songhees Development from the Selkintrestle to the site of Spinnaker's BrewPub would have a much higher population density and physical footprint ("all dimensional").

\* the historical community would be free from the future variances that "Sprawling" westward (in this case of) Tyee would entail! would entail?

We considered that to be a commitment in good faith for the existing Victoria West residential community.

\* I did walk all the land and coves of pre-"development" with Suzanne Hansen " (pre-remediation) from "trestle" to Spinnakes

Many years have passed ... many obligations have been not kept in good faith (Marina-accountable only Fed. Govit) city Major + Council

> Mayor and Council

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Do NOT ALLOW a redevelopment of this nature.

The historic "first" settled area of Catherine St. has HERITAGE obligations.

The corridor on which stands 822 Catherine, and building and land has Heritage Status. What does that mean to council?

Our grocevy stove existing next door also is of historical signifigance and fits with community needs.

The enormous b light to neighbourhood is not meeting needs in an appropriate way.

My home is here. I wish to happily live in this community.

No new Zoning on this Site. No new Variances on this site Please. Louise Marieiros From: Danielle Young

**Sent:** Thursday, July 28, 2022 11:36 AM

**To:** Public Hearings

Subject: Zoning Regular Bylaw, Amendment By Law (No., 1283) - No 22-070/Development

Permit with Variances Application No. 00173 - 822 Catherine Street

## To Whom It May Concern:

I write the following in response to a Notice of Public Hearing I received dated July 15, 2022 concerning a Zoning Regular Bylaw, Amendment By Law (No., 1283) - No 22-070 and Development Permit with Variances Application No. 00173. Included in the variation to the requirements to the Zoning Regulation Bylaw being sought by the Development Permit for the land known as 822 Catherine Street are two reductions to parking. Specifically they are seeking to reduce the residential vehicle parking from 30 stalls to 10 stalls and the commercial vehicle parking from 6 stalls to 0 stalls.

As a person who owns and resides within a block of this property I am highly opposed to any variation to the parking required by the by laws. The street is already residential parking only between 9 am and 5 pm however, in the evenings the streets are regularly full. Sometimes to the point that people who reside in my home have been required to park a block away in order to find space. This neighbourhood is already at capacity when it comes to parking for the most part and the proposed development suggests 31 residential units while only providing 10 spaces for parking. This appears to be a third of what they are obligated to provide under the bylaws. Adding potentially a minimum of 21 additional vehicles seeking parking on the street (not including those that would park in the spaces for commercial purposes despite the residential parking only restrictions during the day) would tax an already strained balance.

Best regards, Danielle Young 929 Catherine Street From: Shea Dewar

Sent: Wednesday, July 27, 2022 9:31 PM

**To:** Public Hearings **Subject:** Vic west development

To whom it may concern,

I would like to voice my endorsement of the development on 822 Catherine Street. I am currently a vic west resident and I believe this development is important to the neighbourhood.

Best regards, Shea Dewar