

CASCADIA ARCHITECTS

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City of Victoria
No.1 Centennial Square
Victoria BC
V8W 1P6

Attn.: Mayor & Council

Re: 539/541 Fisgard St – Heritage Alteration Permit

Cascadia Architects is pleased to submit this Heritage Alteration Permit application on behalf of The Salient Group (the 'Applicant') for the addition of a covered outdoor area at 541 Fisgard St.

The proposal provides shelter for a variety of uses in the courtyard. Primarily, a new covered outdoor seating area expands the leasable area for tenants and extends operations of the courtyard to shoulder seasons. Secondly tenants of 541 Fisgard will have access to washrooms behind the 539 building through the courtyard.

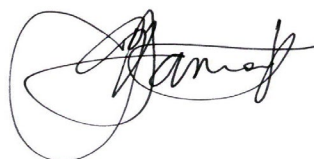
The rear courtyard of 541 Fisgard St. once held an opium factory, ostensibly owned and operated by Lee Mung Kow. Projecting the central roof form pays tribute to the historical factory building that once occupied the space. The visual terminus of the space is on the single remnant wall from the factory, where a piece of the original roof is still intact. Through the use of translucent material, the character of the adjacent brick walls define the visual character of the interior space. The sheltered space will be light-filled year around and allow people to continually experience the heritage character of the adjacent buildings.

Sincerely,

CASCADIA ARCHITECTS INC.



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