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From: Public Hearings
Subject: RE: Amendment Bylaw (No.1107)

From: Carolyn Harvey-Smith
Sent: Sunday, September 17, 2017 2:17 PM
To: Public Hearings <PublicHearings@victoria.ca>
Subject: Re: Amendment Bylaw (No.1107)

Re: amendment bylaw No 17-070

Dear Sir/Madam:

Are you kidding me?

There is already a pot shop at 608 Johnson Street

There is a drug paraphernalia shop, Jupiter at 619 Johnson Street and another one at 615 Broad Street between Johnson and Yates.

The street stinks ALL THE TIME of marijuana.

How in heaven`s name do you expect to promote **LEGAL** businesses in downtown Victoria??

I have been in business for 10 years on Johnson Street and have observed the steady stream of closing business and vacant storefronts.

Do you think that by shoving a pot dispensary in every vacant store that that is going to increase **LEGAL** business in downtown?

In frustration,

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am the Land owner of the properties at 3055 Scott St and 1633 Hillside Ave. As such, I am writing this letter in support of my tenant V. I. Farmacy, and their application for rezoning at 1402 Douglas St.

Admittedly, I too had initial concerns about a Medical Marijuana Dispensary moving into one of my buildings, so I'm pleased to be able to say that Farmacy has been an exemplary tenant for the last two and a half years. So much so, that I had no reservations leasing them a second property of mine last year!

Although there have never been any major issues or complaints about the dispensary or their customers, they have still been very responsive in addressing any minor concerns their neighboring tenants may have, and usually are proactive in ensuring issues don't arise.

Their significant investment in air handling equipment, as well as the improvements they've made to the exterior of their stores in the form of discrete signage, beautiful landscaping, and security staff showed me that they were committed to being a positive addition to the community.

They operate a very upscale operation, and their customers have always been very respectful of neighboring businesses, with no complaints of any loitering or smoking out front.

I feel that based on my experiences with Farmacy and their management team, that they would be an excellent addition to any community

Sincerely,

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