

Mayor and Council

Victoria, B.C.

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Received your communal letter today with regards to the proposed condo development at Johnston and Vancouver (the former funeral home location).

I feel it is of no use for me to attend the meeting because Victoria Council will do whatever it wishes irrespective of public input. I attended and presented at the Victoria Council meeting before the condo development on Vancouver and Yates was approved. To my chagrin, Council approved the 17 story condo which will be directly in my face. So..... why would Council not do similar again?

As I stated at the above mentioned Council meeting, I am not against development, I am against the lack of consideration to the people currently living downtown. The amenities of downtown residents should always be taken into consideration. Do we want to look like downtown Vancouver or Hong Kong.

My family and I are not seriously considering selling and moving away from Victoria per se. After 14 years of condo living in downtown Victoria, I am not a happy resident.

I would suggest (which I am sure will fall on deaf ears) that Victoria proceed with development that is more friendly to the residents. We do not need to continually reach for the sky in structural development.

I would strongly suggest that one of the main objectives in development is the raising of tax dollars for the City of Victoria, at the expense of the local population.

I know it was a waste of time for me to write this letter, but at least I did something.

Yours Truly

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