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City of Victoria
Sustainable Planning and Community Development
1 Centennial Square
Victoria, BC V8W 1P6

Dear Mayor and Council,

On September 8th, our Development Permit with Variances Application No. 00009 for 456 Chester Avenue was brought forward to the Committee of the Whole for consideration with a recommendation that Council forward the application to a public hearing. At the meeting, one concerned neighbour interrupted the meeting to try and bring forward her concerns regarding the development. The Mayor asked the neighbor to return for the evening Council meeting.

At the Council Meeting, the neighbor presented her concerns which were primarily related to loss of light due to the height of the proposed development. The six councillors present voted 3 for and 3 against moving the application to a public hearing. We believe our application was turned down on the basis of one neighbor's opposition to the development. Our understanding of the process is that public comments are heard at the public hearing stage not at the consideration for public hearing stage. We have not been given the opportunity to present to council nor have any other public comments been heard regarding the application even though city planning staff has recommended moving the application forward.

We are requesting a motion for full council to reconsider our application and the recommendation to bring forward to a public hearing which will allow for the developer and any other public comments to be heard and considered prior to Council making a final decision on the application.

Thank you for considering our request to reconsider our development permit with variances. We look forward to discussing next steps with you.

Regards

Paul Diment

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