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## Good day,

I'd like to submit a comment regarding the Official Community Plan Ammendment Bylaw No. 8088, 2022, Heritage Revitalization Agreement Bylaw No. 8089, 2022 and Heritage Designation Bylaw No. 8090, 2022 for 514 Carnarvon Street (Holy Trinity Cathedral).

This is specifically in regards to the proposed 30 Storey tower.

As a neighbour residing at Carnarvon Street, my first concern is the noise and the unavailability of the sidewalk during the construction of the tower. Also the diminishing of the trees and green space that is currently sureounding the parish hall. Over the past three years along Carnarvon Street and due to the construction of the towers on 618 Carnarvon and 813 Carnarvon we have seen a reduced space through which pedestrians can traverse the street safely, forcing us to cross multiple times, sometimes unsafely due to a lack of sidewalks and crosswalks. This would be exacerbated with the construction of the tower at 514 Carnarvon, especially if it happens before the other two towers are finished. If Council is to go ahead with this project, it would be much appreciated if it began well after those two other towers have been finished.

I understand the goals of the city for density and available housing options, and from the leaflet left in our mailbox I take it to mean that there will be 14 affordable housing suites in the building. This seems remarkably little given the proposed size of the tower. If Council is to go ahead with the project it would be appreciated if more units were destined for affordable housing.

Finally, if Council is to go ahead with this project, and if the proposed plan still includes a public plaza and through access towards Columbia Street, it would be in the best interest of the neighbours at Carnarvon Street to get, alongside with the plaza, a safe means of crossing the street at the plaza entrance (i.e, right in front of the proposed development). This could be in the form of a raised sidewalk/speed bump that allows pedestrians (and many of the pedestrians living along this section of Carnarvon are older people) to cross safely.

All of this is to say: while not opposed to the project, I am concerned about the noise and the unavailability of sidewalks during construction, as well as the lack of affordable housing units. Personally I would rather the tower was 15 stories shorter, but it seems that the height has been approved already.

Thanks for your time.

Emiliano.