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To: Mayor and Councillors
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Temporary Use Permit (TUP00038) for 40 Begbie Street
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Good morning,

I'd like to begin my comment by saying that If the city and the province don't have a better plan for addressing the overdose issue (which I understand it does not based on the lack of funding for Fraser Health) then I fully support issuing the issuance of the TUP00038 permit but **not** waiving the associated fee.

In addition I'd like to comment on the notice I got in the mail (please see attached).

Because S.22(1)Personal and Confidential at this Purpose Society site, I am aware that this facility already provides assistance with safe drug injection.

The fact that the public notice does not include the information that the facility in question already held a Temporary Use Permit since March 2021 and is currently looking for an extension, makes it look like this a completely new project and might cause a misunderstanding/resentment by the people of New Westminster. I know more detailed information can be accessed at https://www.newwestcity.ca/database/files/library/Regular_2025_May_26_Temporary_Use_Permit_40_Begbie_Street_Health_Contact_Centre.pdf; However a public notice should have clearly stated that due to the circumstances and a lack of progress on alternative solutions, Purpose Society is seeking to extend its mandate to provide the services it already has been providing for the past 3 years.

Also, looks like Fraser Health is trying to set up a mobile injection site. I would like to recommend using the empty private lot near the skytrain station (corner of 8th and columbia st). The lot has been empty for a decade at least and the owner should allow the use of the property for the city and Fraser Health needs at no expense to compensate for lack of development.

Thank you
Kind Regards,
Kseniia Zuieva