

Public Input for Official Community Plan Amendment and Heritage Revitalization Agreement: 514 Carnarvon Street

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Sent: Tuesday, November 23, 2021 4:01 PM To: External-Dev Feedback <devfeedback@newwestcity.ca> Subject: [EXTERNAL] 514 Carnarvon St. Project

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Hi,

I'm writing to express my concerns about the 514 Carnarvon St. project for Holy Trinity Cathedral. I'm a resident in the Quantum building at 39 6th St.

I am not opposed to Holy Trinity's restoration and seismic upgrade work. I think it's an important part of New West's history that should be preserved. However, I am concerned about the 30-story tower project and its impact on the surrounding area.

My concerns are:

1. The impact on the natural light for the low-rise building across the street from the proposed project. There is quite a bit of shadowing already on those building from surrounding towers, and it will be even more so with another tower.

2. Street parking is incredibly limited in this neighbourhood. 200 parking stalls for 285 units will not be enough even for a building that is close to transit. There are notices in our building all the time for people looking for a parking space in the building. I'm sure we are not alone in that regard.

3. This neighbourhood has seen some pretty significant increases in traffic with the most recent tower at Carnarvon & 6th, and there is another tower already in the works at the other corner of Carnarvon & 6th. Depending on the time of day, traffic can be quite backed up with people trying to get onto Royal to the Patullo Bridge. Also before and after school drop offs and pickups at Qayqayt, there is more traffic in the area. This project will add another potential 200 vehicles trying to get access in and out of the neighbourhood.

4. How does this impact Qayqayt Elementary? It is a relatively new school and has already had to add two more mobile units to accommodate the increase of families in the district. How will the city/district adjust for not only the tower going in at 6th & Carnarvon and the other recent towers in the downtown area but this one as well?

5. Currently the distance between our building (Quantum - 39 6th St.) and the tower on the far side of the church still allows for some feeling of privacy on the side of the building facing the church. A tower in between takes that away, and I suspect you will hear a lot of that from residents in our building and the one on the other side of the church.

There are a lot of positive things about this project - accommodations for EVs, family units, etc. But the size and scope seem out of proportion for this neighbourhood. I would be much more willing to support a project that included a low rise or smaller tower with a smaller footprint in the neighbourhood.

Thank you for your time.

Best regards, Personal Information Removed

November 26, 2021

City of New Westminster, 511 Royal Avenue, New Westminster, BC V3L 1H9

To City of New Westminster Mayor and Council,

Re: Proposed Official Community Plan Amendment and Heritage Revitalization Agreement for Holy Trinity Cathedral at 514 Carnarvon St.

I am writing to confirm that I met with the Conwest Development Team on November 5th, 2021 and had the opportunity to discuss the Holy Trinity Cathedral revitalization and proposed development at 514 Carnarvon Street in New Westminster. The Pacific Immigrant Resources Society acknowledges the significance and importance of this project to the City of New Westminster.

The Pacific Immigrant Resources Society (PIRS) is a non-profit organization serving immigrant and refugee women and children since 1975. PIRS assists women in breaking through language barriers, accessing information, meeting material needs, and overcoming social isolation through providing programming for newcomer women and their children. The Holy Trinity Cathedral Parish Hall has served as a facility for programming in New Westminster for the past five years. Currently, PIRS uses the Holy Trinity Cathedral Parish Hall on Monday and Wednesday mornings for English classes.

The proposed development allows for Holy Trinity Cathedral's facilities to be improved and expanded through the development of a new Parish Hall to be utilized by the community. PIRS recognizes the benefits of this proposed development to the Downtown New Westminster community.

We look forward to seeing this proposed development move forward. PIRS trusts that this letter provides the support necessary to move this project forward.

Sincerely,

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The Pacific Immigrant Resource Society

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