

# Attachment 3 Drawing Package and Applicant's Design Rationale



March 25, 2022

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

RE: 616 & 640 6<sup>th</sup> Street – Zoning Bylaw Text Amendment & Development Permit Revision File No. REZ00223 / DPU00065

Dear Mayor and Council,

The new owners of 616 & 640 6<sup>th</sup> Street are requesting a text amendment to the previously approved CD-80 by-law and are concurrently submitting a revised development permit to reflect the zoning changes.

#### **Submission Materials**

- 0. Project summary letter below
- 1.a. Rezoning Mixed Use Application Form Signed
- 1.b. Development Permit Uptown Mixed Use Application Form Signed
- 2. Architectural Plans produced by IBI Group Architects, dated March 25, 2022
- 3. Landscape Plans produced by DKL, dated March 25, 2022
- 4. Parking and TDM Memo produced by Bunt Engineering, dated March 23, 2022
- 5. Topographic Land Survey produced by Bennett Land Surveying, dated February 18, 2022
- 6. Arborist Report produced by Radix Tree & Landscape Consulting, dated March 18, 2022
- 7.a. Zoning by-law text amendment fee cheque issued for \$14,725.80
- 7.b. DP Change of Ownership Application Fee cheque issued for \$338.06
- 7.c. Public Consultation Fee cheque issued for \$1,400
- 8. Letter of Authorization signed and dated March 17, 2022

#### **Project Introduction**

This property consists of two parcels of land with frontages along Sixth Street, Princess Street and Seventh Avenue. The property has two existing commercial buildings, two storeys in height, which are partially leased. Directly to the north of the subject site is a two-storey commercial building (Rexall Drugstore), the New Westminster United Reform Church, and Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church. To the west of the site is a 10 storey mixed-use building with retail at grade and residential above and a three storey commercial building. To the south of the site is the Royal Centre Mall and a 22 storey multi-unit residential building. To the east of the site are a 14 storey multi-unit residential building and a 24 storey multi-unit residential building.

Previously a Rezoning Amendment Bylaw No. 7997, 2019 was adopted by council on October 7, 2019. The Rezoning application changed the property from Community Commercial Districts (High Rise, C-3) to Comprehensive Development District (CD-80). First and Second reading of this decision were held on May 27, 2019 and a public hearing was held on June 24, 2019.

A Development Permit application was submitted by the long-time owners, and the project has gone through extensive city and public consultation process, with input from the New Westminster Design Panel. The development permit application is still active and was put on hold by the previous owners as

they requested a Development Variance Permit. The new change of use to be 100% secured market rental housing requires a zoning by-law text amendment.

#### **Text Amendment**

The request for the Zoning By-law Text Amendment is to facilitate minor changes to By-law CD-80. The requested changes are summarized here. A track changes draft by-law has been prepared but not submitted if that would be helpful for staff.

- Eliminating the strata residential use.
- Increasing in the number of secured market rental residential homes from 95 to 338 (58 Studio, 160 One bedroom, 92 Two bedroom, and 28 Three bedroom).
- Increase in the minimum leasable floor area for secured market rental residential from 7,178 square meters to 19,820 square meters.
- The total FSR to facilitate the increased provision of secured market rental residential from 6.46 to 7.38. This density increase can be supported by the Secured Market Rental Housing Policy.
- Increased tower floor plate to match Official Community Plan design guidelines from 650.3 square meters to 750 square meters above the fourth-floor podium (the fifth floor will be 796 square meters to facilitate additional indoor mezzanine). Supported by the OCP (4.1.3).
  - o Complies with OCP for building tower separation.
- With full Transportation Demand Management measures in place the minimum off-street parking would be reduced from 313 to 271, meeting the off-street parking standard by-law requirements.

#### **Additional Approvals Information**

- A privately owned publicly accessible plaza will be maintained and is shown on the site plan.
- Previously contributed \$911,475 voluntary amenity contribution would remain unchanged.
- The form and character of the project is consistent with what was previously reviewed by the public and Council.
- Family friendly units within the development (35% two and three bedroom) continue to exceed Family Friendly Housing Policy requirements for a rental development.

#### **Project Description & Attributes**

- Excellent transit connectivity Six Bus Routes are either adjacent to the property or are within 400m. Transit access is every 5-6minutes in peak hours and 8-10minutes on nights and weekends, connecting to 6 different sky train stations.
- 10 Below market residences
- LEED Gold equivalency Sustainable building achieving water efficiency, waste reduction, high
  indoor air quality with low emitting products, individual home thermostats, EV charging,
  environmentally sourced building materials, etc
- Five Car Share Stalls (supplied by Modo)
- Future proof 100% of parking stalls rough in for electric vehicles
- Transportation demand management Car share & memberships, wayfinding, real time information, transit subsidy.
- Exceeding the new bike parking bylaw. 544 proposed bike parking stalls and bike repair room
- Adaptable homes provided within the building, exceeding the 40% required.
- Air Conditioning for tenant comfort and future proof for a warming climate.
- Quality amenities including: gym, party room, outdoor patio bbq and eating area, coworking space, dog run etc.

#### **City of New Westminster Policy Alignment**

Uptown Official Community Plan

- The proposed development appropriately adheres to the Uptown OCP within the mixed-use high-rise building zone.
- 100% secured market rental building with a variety of unit sizes to accommodate various family types, to support diverse intergenerational neighborhoods.
- Neighborhood interface commercial uses at ground floor building frontages to enhance a vibrant safe public realm. Appropriate street wall with 3m setback (4.1.1) for fourth floor podium (4.1.3).
- Ground floor plaza designed at corner of 7<sup>th</sup> avenue and 6<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Tower floorplate (4.1.3) matches the referenced 750m<sup>2</sup>
- Fourth floor podium matches the OCP recommended 3-4 floors to a maximum of 6 floors. The fourth floor podium is setback 3m as per policy recommendations.

#### Secured Market Rental Policy

- 100% secured market rental building with a variety of home sizes to accommodate various family types, to support a diverse intergenerational neighborhood.
- Increase in density, offered through a density process or rezoning.
- Concurrent processing of rezoning and DP applications.
- Majority of the neighborhood rental housing stock was built from 1950-1970 legacy of federal tax measures. The nearby aging rental stock will require reinvestment and risks redevelopment and demolition. This project provides an injection of new rental to the neighborhood without removing any existing rental housing stock from the community.
- Relaxation of city servicing requirements not requested for this rental housing project.
- Alignment with OCP.
- Higher level of tenure security and affordability considerations for tenants.

#### Affordable Housing Strategy

- Facilitate the development of non-market housing.
- Establish an environment that allows the private market to build affordably (3.3)

#### Family Friendly Housing

- 35% of residences will be 2 & 3 bedrooms
- 100% new purpose-built rental building will have quality amenity spaces and will provide security of tenure for families.

Uptown Streetscape Vision – project streetscape aligns with vision document:

- More space for pedestrians (3m width),
- Reduced pedestrian crossing distance,
- New street lighting.
- Nodes of activity (privately owned publicly accessible plaza at 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 6<sup>th</sup> Street),
- Street commercial space at grade,
- Building setbacks,
- Cycling lanes to be improved, bike parking facilities provided, transit access,
- Landscaping, weather canopy,
- New street trees with appropriate soil volumes on Princess St, 6<sup>th</sup> Street & 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue,
- Public art will be included.

We trust that the above & enclosed information can be deemed a complete application for the requested zoning bylaw text amendment. If any further information is required or you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to John Reid at 604-428-3315 or <a href="mailto:jreid@pcurban.ca">jreid@pcurban.ca</a>.

Best Regards,

618 6<sup>th</sup> Street Holdings Ltd.

John Reil

John Reid

Senior Development Manager

616-640 6TH STREET, NEW WESTMINSTER CIVIC ADDRESS:

TOTAL SITE AREA: 34,800.90 SF (3233.11 SM)

CD-80 ZONING:

14 FT (4.27 M) 9.33 FT (2.84 M) 11 FT (3.35M) 29.4 FT (8.96 M)/25.9(7.89)

(29 STOREYS)

BUILDING HEIGHT

TOP OF ROOF PAVERS 286.83'(87.42 M)

TOP OF MECH ROOF 317.17'(96.67 M)

BUILDING HEIGHT DATUM= 315.44' (96.15 M)

SETBACKS: PODIUM NORTH (7TH AVE) EAST (6TH ST) SOUTH (PRINCESS ST) WEST SETBACKS: TOWER NORTH (7TH AVE) EAST (6TH ST) SOUTH (PRINCESS ST) WEST

34.0 FT (10.36 M) 19.25 FT (5.87 M) 124.14 FT (37.84 M) 29.4 FT (8.97 M)

Floor	Studio	1 Bed	2 Bed	3 Bed	Units	Gross	Area	Unit	Area		enity usion	MECH./S		Commo	n Area	Floor Ar	ea Net
						ft <sup>2</sup>	m²	ft <sup>2</sup>	m²	ft <sup>2</sup>	m²	ft <sup>2</sup>	m²	ft²	m²	ft <sup>2</sup>	m
Roof	0	0	0	0	0	822	76	. 0	0	0	0	822	76	0	0	0	0
29	2	5	3	1	11	8,073	750	6,956	646	0	0	55	5	1,092	101	8,018	74
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St	udio + 1 Bed u		18	19.90 SF												358	33
	2 + 3 bed uni	ts	120	30.14 SF												3,617	33
l Floor Area Net				-												256,858	23,8
Area	34,801 SF																

ommercial	Cars
ommercial (per 140.10)	
AIN.=1 space for every 538.21 SF (50 SQ.M)	21
MAX.=1 space for every 358.76 SF (33.33 SQ.M)	32
Ion-Market units (Secured Rental)	
arking requirements (per 140.9)	
space per unit	338
fistor Parking*	
.1 spaces per unit for visitors	34
otal parking stalls required	393
otal parking stalls after shared commercial and visitor parking reduction (393-21=372)	372
Ion-Market units-Accessible parking (per 145.4, Multiple Dwellings)	_
spaces for the first 100 parking	4
space for every 30 parking spaces after 100 regular spaces are provided	9
an-Accessible off-street parking(per 145.5)	
van accessible space for every 3 accessible Off-street =4	
otal accessible off-street parking stalls(including 4 van)	13
ommercial-Accessible parking (per 145.4,Other Uses)	
space for every 25 parking spaces provided	1
otal Accessible parking stalls required	14
oading Space required (per 160.3)	
Aultiple dwelling: 1 Loading Space per Building with more that 30 dwelling units	1
etail Uses: no space need for first 300 sq.mt, one space for the next 1500 sq.mt	1
otal Loading space required	2
otal Loading space provided	2
otal required parking stalls	372
7% TDM reduction	-101
otal required	271

Total Resident	ial provided					
Cars	P1	P2	P3	P4	Total	%
Standard	16	43	47	45	151	55.72
Small	5	22	23	23	73	26.94
Accessible	0	3	3	3	9	3.32
Van	1	1	1	1	4	1.48
Modo	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Sub Total	22	69	74	72	237	87.45
Total commer	cial provided	1				
Cars	P1	P2	P3	P4	Total	%
Standard	20	0	0	0	20	7.38
Small	8	0	0	0	8	2.95
Accessible	1	0	0	0	1	0.37
Van	0.	0	0	0	0	0.00
Modo	5	0	0	0	5	1.85
Sub Total	34	0	0	0	34	12.55
Total	56	69	74	72	271	100.00

Bike Space Requiremen	nt - New W	/estminster					
Commercial			LONG TERM	SHORT TERM			
Commercial (Per 150.5)	6						
Long Term					[		
1 space for each 5382 S	F of net flo	oor area			[	2	
Short Term					[		
6 spaces for any buildin	g with 107	64 SF of net floo	or area				6
Total required		2	6				
Non Market Units(Per 1	50.3)						-
Long Term							
1.5 space for every dwe	lling unit				1	507	
Short Term					1	7.00	
100 or more units minir	mum 12 sp	aces			1		12
Total required						507	12
Total required of all use	15					509	18
Sub-Total required of a						527	
Bike Spaces Provided							
Long Term Bikes	L1	P1	P2	P3	P4	Total	%
Horizontal Bike	0	0	73	62	71	206	36
Vertical Bike	0	0	69	63	58	190	33
Stacked Bike	0	4	66	50	34	154	27
OVERSIZED	0	26	0	0	0	26	5
Total Long Term Bike	0	30	208	175	163	576	100
Short Term Bikes	18	0	0	0	0	18	
Total Bikes	1/-			77	***	594	

Note:
HORIZENTAL BIKE= HORIZONTAL BIKE + LOWER STALLS OF STACKED BIKE + OVERSIZE BIKE: 206+77 + 26=309> 297 (50% OF TOTAL BIKE STALLS)

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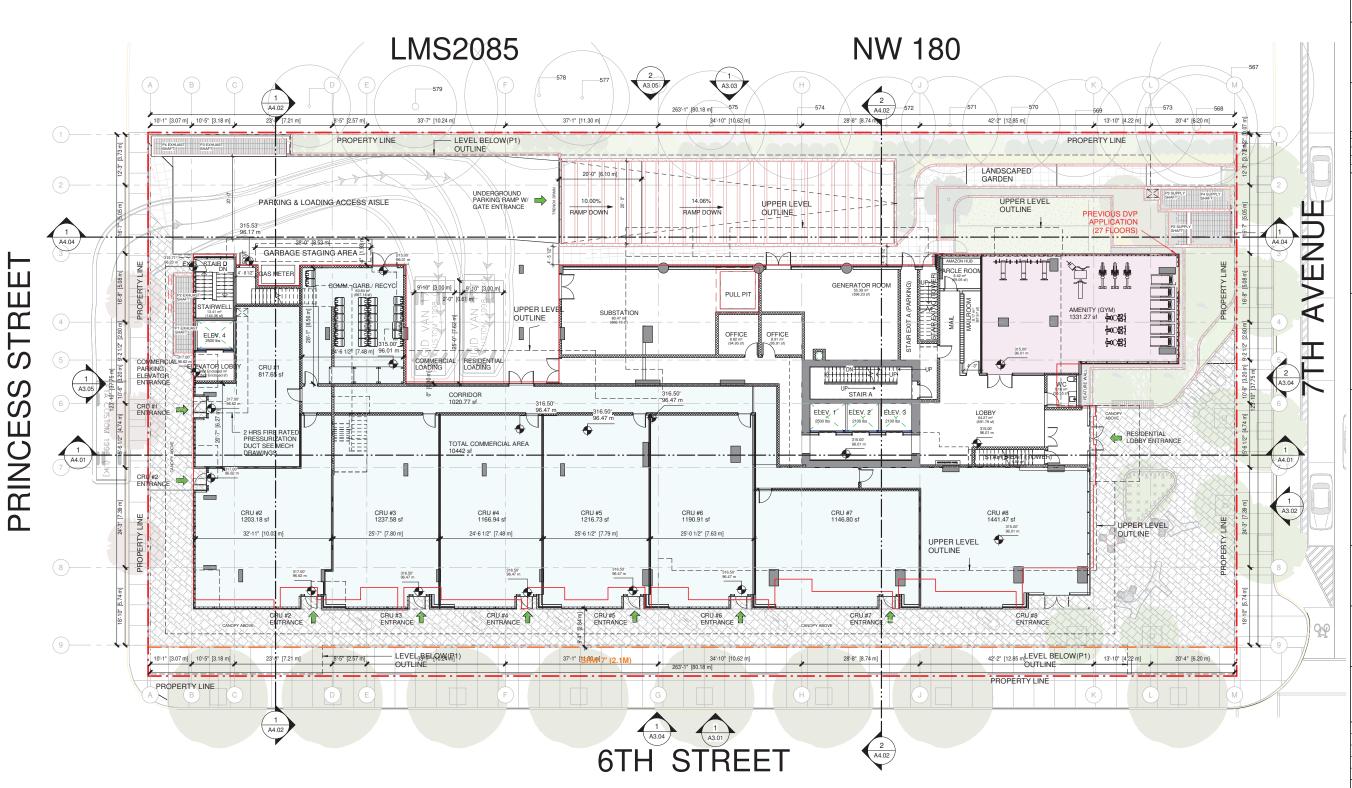
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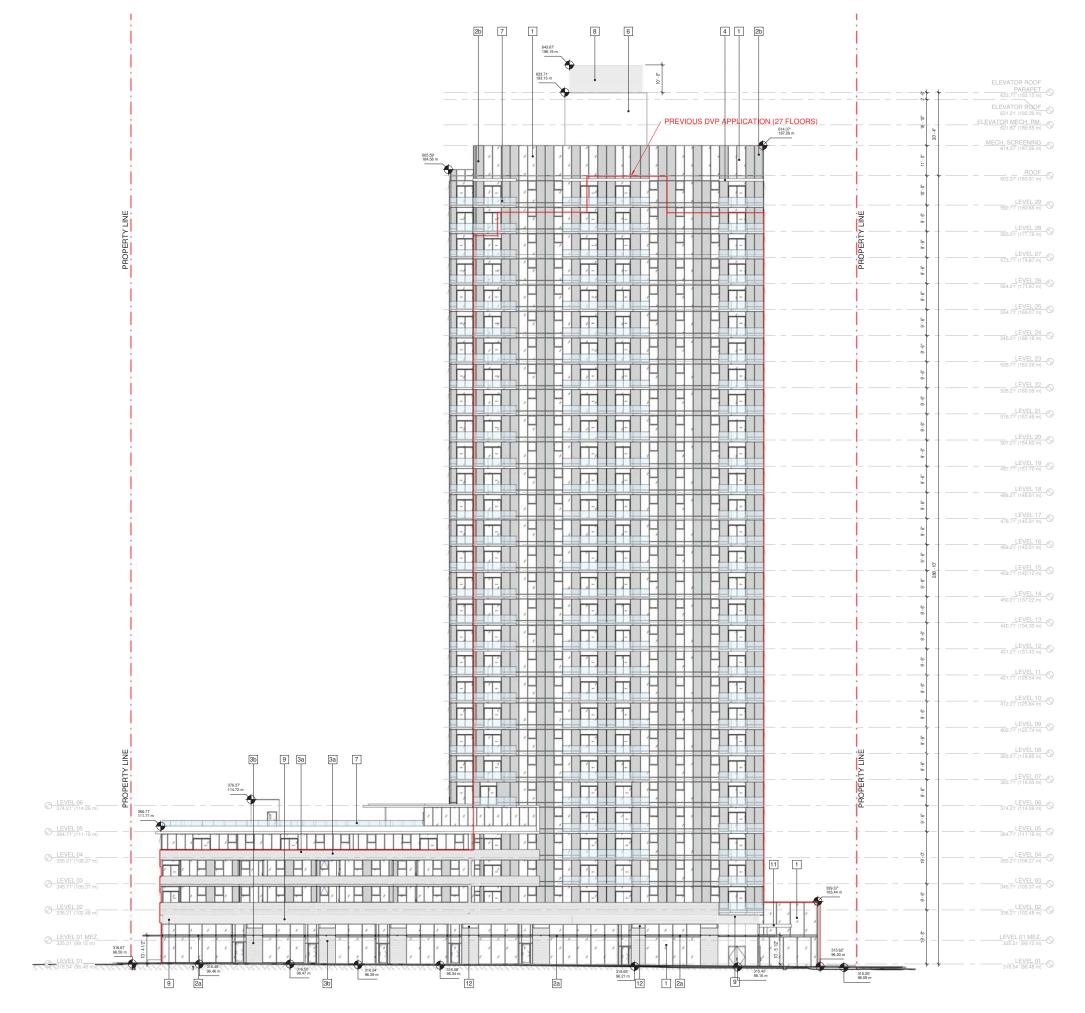
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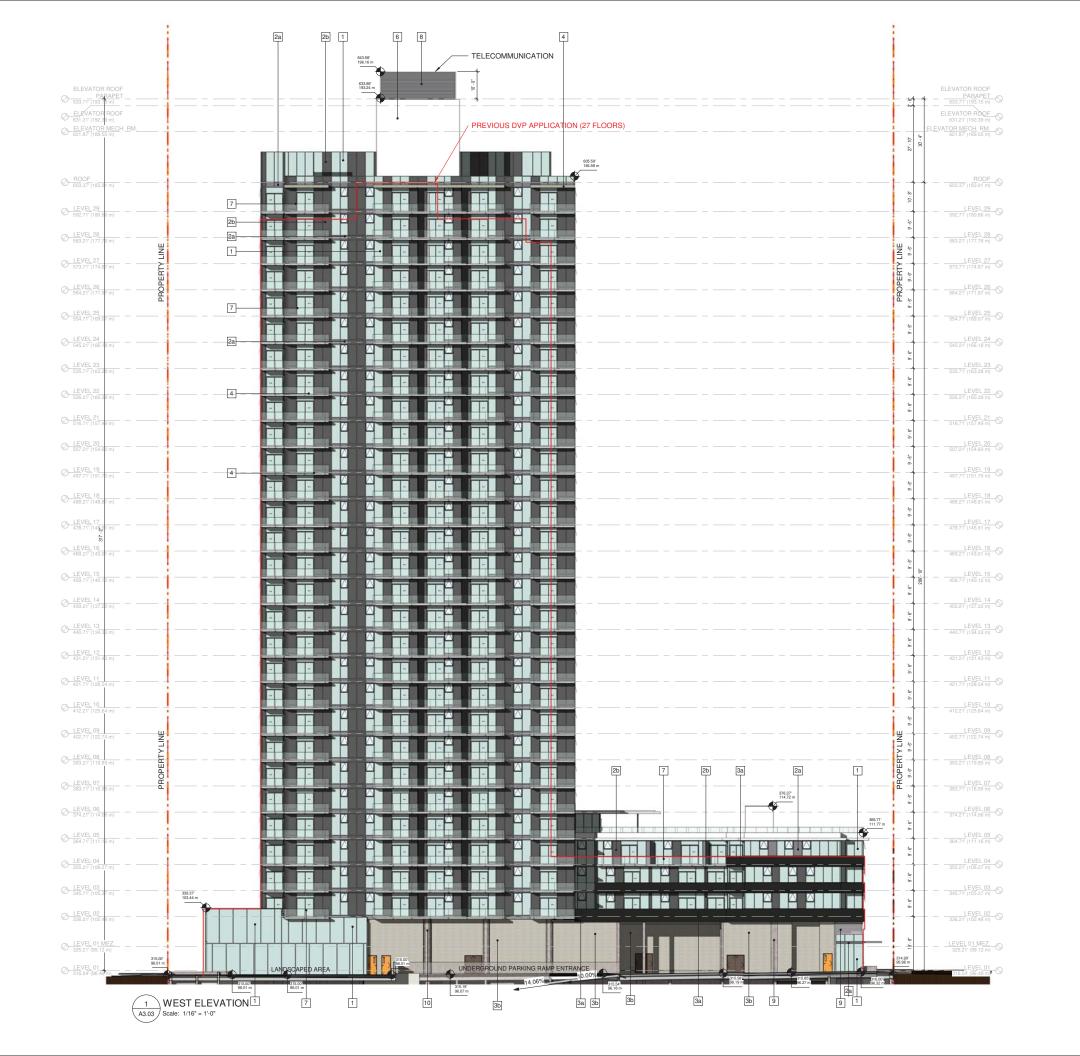
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