May 19, 2017

City of Vancouver Council

Dear Mayor Gregor Robertson and Councillors,

Re: Public Hearing for 105 Keefer St. and 544 Columbia St., Chinatown

The Coalition of Vancouver Neighbourhoods joins the local community to **OPPOSE the above rezoning application.** During consultation on this current application, 75% of the community has expressed their opposition. Please reject this proposal.

The application has not been significantly changed to address community concerns and is essentially the same proposal that has been repeatedly opposed by the local community since 2014. A few more small tweaks do not make this proposal acceptable.

Please listen to the community requests for a much smaller scale project that minimizes the impacts on the Chinese Cultural Centre and the Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Garden across the street, with a design that fits into the heritage character of the heart of this historic Chinatown neighbourhood.

Sincerely,

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On behalf of the Coalition of Vancouver Neighbourhoods

## **Member Groups of the Coalition of Vancouver Neighbourhoods**

Arbutus Ridge Community Association Kits Point Residents Association

Arbutus Ridge/ Kerrisdale/ Shaughnessy Visions Marpole Oakridge Community Association

Cedar Cottage Area Neighbours Norquay Residents

Chinatown Action Group NW Point Grey Home Owners Association

Citygate Intertower Group Oakridge Langara Area Residents

Community Association of New Yaletown Raycam

Crosstown Residents Association Residents Association Mount Pleasant

Downtown Eastside Neighbourhood Council Riley Park/South Cambie Visions

Dunbar Residents Association Shaughnessy Heights Property Owners

False Creek Residents Association Association

Grandview Woodland Area Council Strathcona Residents Association
Granville Burrard Residents & Business Upper Kitsilano Residents Association

Association West End Neighbours Society

Joyce Area Residents West Kitsilano Residents Association

Kitsilano-Arbutus Residents Association West Point Grey Residents Association

Reference: http://council.vancouver.ca/20170502/documents/p3.pdf