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CITY CLERK'S DEPARTMENT

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Please read to Council members on my behalf. . .

I fully support the Policy Amendment and Land Use Amendment in Hillhurst at multiple properties LOC2019-0058, CPC2019-1338 proposed Bylaws 81P2019 and 227D2019.

I have lived in Hillhurst in Kensington for 24 years and have been a licensed RE/MAX Realtor in Calgary for 41 years. So I am well familiar with the neighbourhood locally referred to as Kensington. As a whole Kensington needs updating to maintain its recognition as a People's Choice award winner for best neighbourhood in Calgary. The current application will add some vibrancy to 14 St NW, which is sorely lacking right now. 14 St NW is used as mostly a thru fare to get to southern and northern neighbourhoods. I believe the current application will make 14 St more of a walkable street. The Developer has plans to beautify the site and make it more appealing to the local neighbours as well as the City as a whole. For those neighbours concerned about their property values this application will help their properties appreciate in time. The development will be seen as a plus for the neighbourhood. I might mention that the municipal government is not in a financial position to improve the neighbourhood. An example is the decades old parking in lieu program which was to add sorely lacking extra parking at the site of the old Carpenters Hall on 10 St NW. It never happened. So when a developer comes forth to improve the streetscape I support the developer.

I fully support the current application.

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Yours Truly

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