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September 11, 2020

Policy and Urban Development City of Calgary PO Box 2100, Stn. M Calgary AB, T2P 2M5

Dear Councillors:

Re: LOC2019-0149, Item 8.1.18

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Yours very truly, INGLEWOOD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Phil Levson President From: Andrew Roop
To: Public Submissions

Cc: Ryan Medlicott; rmoskovitz@landstarcommunities.com

 Subject:
 [EXT] Louis on 9th (LOC2019-0149)

 Date:
 Monday, September 14, 2020 11:20:13 AM

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To Calgary Planning Commission:

I'd like to express my support for this proposed project. My office is located in the National Hotel building and has a view of the development site.

While I have some concerns regarding construction impact of dust and noise and possible impact on the access to our surface parking lot, this impact will be relatively temporary in nature.

I do like the proposed concept where the entire parcel will not be filled with a 12-14 storey building. The building height setbacks along 9th avenue, 10th and 11th streets are positive, and the proposed concept respects the adjacent buildings and shadow effect of the apartment tower. The architect and developer have done extensive engagement/consultation with stakeholders and adjacent residents. The proposed commercial uses should be in keeping with the character of Inglewood business district and avoid franchise establishments in particular. This development is also consistent with other approved projects in the Inglewood community.

Sincerely,

Andrew Roop, A.L.S., B.C.L.S.(N/P)

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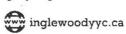
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Re: LOC2019-0149

Landstar DP

Dear YuPing,

September 14th, 2020

Regarding the Landstar development LOC2019-0149, the Inglewood BIA defers to the conclusions of the peer review of the Area Redevelopment Plan by Urban Strategies. The interim report can be found at www.inglewoodyyc.ca and specifically at http://inglewoodyyc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/9thAveReport-07-172020.pdf.

The BIA has opted to marry its opinion to the conclusions of this objective report as it relates to all projects within the 9th Avenue heritage corridor. Please consider this report with sincerity.

If you have any questions, please contact our board chair Dan Allard at 403.305.6288.

Sincerely,

Rebecca & Brien

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Sept 12, 2020

Attn: Councillor Gian-Carlo Carra

Re: Land Use Amendment LOC2019-0149 at 1025 and 1139 – 9 Avenue SE (Landstar Development Corporation)

Dear Councillor Carra,

As the owners of the National Hotel, adjacent to the above development site, please accept this letter on behalf of myself and my parents, John and Oreal Kerr.

As you are aware, The National Hotel sat empty and derelict for many years prior to myself and my parents spending 4 years and millions of dollars restoring this provincially designated heritage asset. This was a very challenging and rewarding endeavor, adding vibrancy to this part Inglewood and preserving a piece of history for generations to follow.

When the initial massing drawings proposed for this Land Use Amendment were presented to me by Landstar Development in 2019, I was extremely upset to see how the proposal related to The National Hotel, essentially blocking it from view from 9th Avenue. I was also deeply concerned about how this initial iteration would have dramatically reduced the value of the developable land on our site, essentially shadowing and blocking views of 9th Avenue and the River on any future development.

I was very pleased that George Mylonas of Landstar met with me after initial comments and sought to collaborate as neighbors to find a mutually acceptable alternative. The current proposed built form, with the height concentrated in a uniquely positioned tower while keeping the height of the remainder of the development similar to that of the National Hotel, reflects these discussions.

It is critical that assurance is provided that what has been presented in the current massing drawings is in fact what will be built. A detailed, comprehensive Direct Control designation is essential to ensure that this happens.

Sincerely,

Jane Kerr