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PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday, July 14, 2020
7:00 p.m.
To be held virtually but streamed at
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Council Members:
Mayor Mike Little
Councillor Jordan Back
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Cannabis Retail Store at 1199 Marine Drive
Zoning Bylaw Amendment

1. OPENING BY THE MAYOR

2. INTRODUCTION OF BYLAW BY CLERK

District of North Vancouver Rezoning Bylaw 1397 (Bylaw 8427)

Purpose of Bylaw:
Bylaw 8427 proposes to amend the District’s Zoning Bylaw to add Cannabis Retail Store as a permitted use for the property located at 1199 Marine Drive in the Lions Gate Village and Marine Drive Corridor.

3. PRESENTATION BY STAFF

Presentation: Taylor Jenks, Development Planner

4. PRESENTATION BY APPLICANT

5. REPRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

6. QUESTIONS FROM COUNCIL

7. COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Recommendation:
THAT the July 14, 2020 Public Hearing be closed;

AND THAT “District of North Vancouver Rezoning Bylaw 1397 (Bylaw 8427)” be returned to Council for further consideration.

8. CLOSING
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Bylaw 8427

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   | 011-418-524    | 1199 Marine Drive | Lions Gate Village Centre and Marine Drive Corridor | Bylaw 8427 |

READ a first time February 24th, 2020

PUBLIC HEARING held

READ a second time

READ a third time

ADOPTED

Mayor Municipal Clerk

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The District of North Vancouver
REPORT TO COUNCIL

February 6, 2020
File: 08.3060.20/056.19

AUTHOR: Taylor Jenks, Planning Assistant

SUBJECT: Text Amendment to add “Cannabis Retail Store” at 1199 Marine Drive (Bylaw 8427)

RECOMMENDATION
THAT “District of North Vancouver Rezoning Bylaw 1397 (Bylaw 8427)” is given FIRST Reading;
AND THAT “District of North Vancouver Rezoning Bylaw 1397 (Bylaw 8427)” is referred to a Public Hearing.

REASON FOR REPORT
Budhouse (1201828 BC Ltd.) has applied on behalf of the owner of the property, Future World Holdings Ltd., to amend the Zoning Bylaw to add “Cannabis Retail Store” as a permitted use for the property located at 1199 Marine Drive.

Implementation of the proposed amendment requires Council’s consideration of Bylaw 8427 to amend Section 405B (1) of the Zoning Bylaw to allow a cannabis retail store as a permitted use at this location.

The Rezoning Bylaw is recommended for introduction and referral to a Public Hearing.
SUMMARY

An application has been submitted to the District of North Vancouver for a text amendment to add “Cannabis Retail Store” as a permitted use for the property located at 1199 Marine Drive. The subject property is currently improved with a single-storey commercial building zoned for commercial use.

Prior to the issuance of a cannabis retail store licence, the Provincial Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch (LCRB) requires confirmation of a positive recommendation from the District of North Vancouver. If Bylaw 8427 is adopted, the District will forward to the LCRB an indication of Council’s support for a cannabis retail store licence for this property.

EXISTING POLICY

Official Community Plan

The Official Community Plan (OCP) designates this site as “Commercial Residential Mixed-Use Level 1” (CRMU1) which are areas intended for predominantly general commercial purposes, such as retail, service and office uses, with residential uses above. The site is within the Lions Gate Village and Marine Drive Corridor.

Zoning

The subject property is zoned “Marine Drive Commercial Zone” (C9). The C9 zone permits the “Cannabis Retail Store” use when the subject property is included on the table in Section 405B (1) of the Zoning Bylaw. Bylaw 8427 (Attachment A) proposes to amend Section 405B (1) by adding 1199 Marine Drive to the table of properties permitting one cannabis retail store.

ANALYSIS

Site and Surrounding Area

The proposed cannabis retail store is to be located in an existing retail space within a single-storey commercial building on the property at 1199 Marine Drive. The property is located at the southeast corner of Marine Drive and Pemberton Avenue. Surrounding properties include a mixed-use commercial/residential development to the east; a restaurant to the west beyond Pemberton; commercial and childcare uses to the south; and a gas bar to the north, beyond Marine Drive.
The subject site contains a multi-tenant building comprised of two units. The cannabis retail store is proposed in the western unit and a restaurant (Jade Garden), currently occupies the eastern unit.

Non-medical Retail Cannabis Policy

The proposed use of the site has been reviewed against the District’s Non-medical Retail Cannabis Policy (“the Cannabis Policy”). A review of the ‘Locational Guidelines’ and ‘Other Evaluation Criteria’ is outlined in the table below.

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<td>Located at least 200 m from any school</td>
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<td>Does not exceed a maximum of one business per OCP key growth centre</td>
<td>Site located within the Lions Gate Village and Marine Drive Corridor; no cannabis retail stores currently exist in this centre. The subject proposal was the third LCRB referral to be received within this growth centre. Compliance with this guideline will be informed by Council’s decision on the other rezoning applications in the Lions Gate Village and Marine Drive Corridor (1074 Marine Drive and 1629 Marine Drive).</td>
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<td>Complies with all Provincial Cannabis Licensing Regulations</td>
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<td>Access for vehicles, potential traffic impacts and parking availability</td>
<td>Access is provided from Marine Drive as well as via a rear lane from Pemberton Avenue. On-site parking exceeds the minimum 17 spaces required.</td>
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<td>Access for pedestrians and cyclists</td>
<td>Excellent access for pedestrians, cyclists, and patrons using alternate modes of transportation. Site is located on a RapidBus route with a stop directly in front of the building.</td>
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<td>Store layout that does not accommodate sampling</td>
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<td>A proposed exterior design that is consistent with all applicable design guidelines and that complies with provincial requirements</td>
<td>No major façade changes are proposed. Window coverings in a graphic tree pattern are proposed, in compliance with provincial screening requirements.</td>
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<td>Signage in accordance with the District of North Vancouver Sign Bylaw</td>
<td>Proposed signage is generally consistent with the Sign Bylaw. A sign permit will be required prior to installation of any signs.</td>
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The project has been reviewed by staff from the Building, Engineering, Property Use, Community Planning and Fire Departments. No concerns have been raised.

The North Vancouver RCMP has reviewed the proposal and indicated that there are no objections to the proposed cannabis retail store at this location.

The LCRB Senior Licensing Analyst has advised that the LCRB has not yet completed their suitability assessment as required by the Cannabis Control and Licensing Act. A completed suitability assessment will be required prior to adoption of Bylaw 8427.
Public Input

Notices were distributed to neighbours within a 100 m (328 ft.) radius of the subject property and a sign was placed on the property in accordance with the District’s policy on “Non-Statutory Public Consultation for Development Applications.” A total of 597 notices were sent and 49 responses were received. Of these responses, 2 are in support, 46 are in opposition, and one is neutral.

Positive comments received include:
- Cannabis and the cannabis shops are less disruptive than alcohol and the regulations put in place should be trusted;
- As long as the federal and municipal regulations are followed there should be no problems.

Comments of concern include:
- Proximity to two nearby daycares within 50 metres and the potential for exposure of children to cannabis use, second hand smoke, and remnants of products;
- The normalization of a potentially dangerous habit for youth;
- Impacts of traffic and odour in the residential neighbourhood;
- Increase in undesirable patrons and criminal activity in neighbouring areas especially in the lane behind the daycare;
- Concern with potential impact to property values and development in the area;
- Concern with exposure to at-risk community members and those suffering with addiction; and
- General opposition to the legalization of cannabis.

Implementation

Implementation of this proposal will require a text amendment to the Zoning Bylaw to allow for a cannabis retail store on the property at 1199 Marine Drive.

Bylaw 8427 (Attachment A) amends Section 4058 (1) of the Zoning Bylaw by adding 1199 Marine Drive to the table of properties permitted to have one cannabis retail store.

CONCLUSION

The proposal for a cannabis retail store on the property at 1199 Marine Drive complies with the Cannabis Policy with the potential exception of the number of cannabis stores within a single key growth centre. The Zoning Bylaw text amendment is now ready for Council’s consideration.
OPTIONS

The following options are available for Council’s consideration:

1. Give Bylaw 8427 First Reading and refer Bylaw 8427 to a Public Hearing (staff recommendation); or
2. Return Bylaw 8427 to staff to negotiate changes to the proposal as directed by Council; or
3. Reject the application and inform the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch of this decision.

Respectfully submitted,

Taylor Jenks
Development Planning

Attachments:
   A. Bylaw 8427 – Zoning Bylaw Text Amendment
   B. Non-medical Retail Cannabis Policy
   C. Public Input
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Mayor

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POLICY

It is the policy of Council that the approval of a retail cannabis business in the District of North Vancouver may only be considered through a rezoning application that meets the guidelines, criteria and processing requirements set out in this policy.

Policy approved on: July 22, 2019
Policy amended on: October 7, 2019

PROCEDURE

The following procedure is used to implement this policy but does not form part of the policy. This procedure may be amended from time to time at the discretion of the Chief Administrative Officer.

DEFINITIONS

"Council" means the Council for the District of North Vancouver.

"District" means the District of North Vancouver.

"Liquor & Cannabis Regulation Branch" means the Provincial branch which regulates British Columbia’s liquor industries and private retail non-medical cannabis industries (formerly Liquor Control and Licensing Branch).

"Cannabis Retail Store" means a business for the retail sale of non-medical cannabis for off-site consumption and cannabis accessories and does not permit a warehouse use.

REASON FOR POLICY

To provide locational and evaluation criteria to guide decisions on permitting the retail sale of non-medical cannabis in the District.
PREAMBLE

The District has taken the approach of considering retail cannabis businesses through an individual rezoning process considered on a case-by-case basis. Applications for a retail cannabis business should comply with the locational guidelines and other criteria contained in this policy and will be subject to public consultation requirements of the District's Development Procedures Bylaw and the statutory provisions of the Local Government Act.

APPLICATION

1. This policy applies to applications for rezoning to operate a retail cannabis business in the District of North Vancouver.

2. Administration of this policy is handled through the processing of rezoning applications and preparation of bylaws for Council consideration. Compliance with this policy does not guarantee development approval from Council.

3. Applicants who apply to the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch (LCRB) for any retail cannabis business licence must submit a rezoning application to the District after the application is referred to the municipality for input by the LCRB. Rezoning applications will only be considered after the date of approval of this policy.

LOCATIONAL GUIDELINES

The following locational guidelines will be used to assess the suitability of a site for a retail cannabis business when an application for rezoning for such a use has been submitted to the District:

A retail cannabis business may be located on a site that:

1. Is currently zoned to permit a liquor store use;

2. Is located at least 200 metres from any elementary or high school property;

3. Does not exceed a maximum of one (1) business per each of the following key growth centres identified in the Official Community Plan*:
   a. Maplewood Village Centre;
   b. Lions Gate Village Centre and Marine Drive Corridor;
   c. Lynn Valley Town Centre;
   d. Lynn Creek Town Centre.
*Additional businesses outside of Town and Village Centres may be given consideration on a case-by-case basis, subject to a review of the merits of the application.

4. Complies with all of the requirements of the Provincial Cannabis Licensing Regulation.

OTHER EVALUATION CRITERIA

In addition to the above locational guidelines, the following criteria will be considered in evaluating a rezoning application for a retail cannabis business use:

1. Access for vehicles, including potential traffic impacts and parking availability;

2. Access for pedestrians and cyclists, including proximity to public transit;

3. A proposed interior layout that does not accommodate product sampling;

4. A proposed exterior design that is sensitive to the design and character of the respective Town and Village Centre in which it is located and is consistent with all applicable guidelines that regulate the exterior appearance of all residential and commercial properties within that Centre to the extent possible that it complies with the Provincial Cannabis Control and Licensing Act;

5. Design of signage that is in accordance with the District of North Vancouver Sign Bylaw;

6. Operating hours that do not exceed 9am – 9pm;

7. Store security requirements that meet the Provincial Cannabis Retail Store Licence Terms and Conditions Handbook.

NON-MEDICAL CANNABIS APPROVAL PROCESS

All retail cannabis businesses must undergo a site-specific rezoning process before the retail sale of non-medical cannabis is permitted. This will include opportunities for public consultation.

All applicants interested in establishing a retail cannabis business shall submit the following applications:

1. An application to the Provincial Liquor & Cannabis Regulation Branch (LCRB) for a cannabis retail store license prior to submitting an application for rezoning to the District;

2. An application to the District for a rezoning of the parcel to permit a retail cannabis business, once the application has been referred from the Provincial Liquor &
Applications for rezoning will be processed using a first-come-first-served model based on the date and time the application was forwarded to the District from the LCRB. Applications should be submitted to the District within 15 days of a referral from the LCRB. If an application is submitted more than 15 days after the referral from the LCRB, then it will be processed on a first-come-first-served model based on the date that the complete application is accepted by the District.

3. In the case of a Provincial store, the date that an application is submitted to the District will be considered the date of referral.

4. An application to the District for a development permit as required by the District;

5. An application for a District business licence, upon successful adoption of a rezoning bylaw and a positive recommendation from the District to the LCRB; and

6. Additional permit applications as required by the District, including but not limited to a building permit and/or sign permit applications.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

1. Rezoning to permit a retail cannabis business will require public consultation as specified in District bylaws and policies (e.g. Development Procedures Bylaw) and statutory procedures set out in the Local Government Act (e.g. Public Hearing).

2. A summary of the public consultation will be included in a Report to Council for the rezoning application.

CONDITIONS OF REZONING

Council may require that one or more of the following conditions must be met prior to the adoption of a rezoning bylaw for a retail cannabis business:

1. The applicant may be required to submit details regarding on-site signage.

2. The applicant may be required to submit details on how potential odour that may be emitted from the premises will be controlled. A Section 219 covenant, or other means, may be used to secure any required odour mitigation measures.

3. The warehousing of cannabis as an accessory use shall not be permitted.

4. Any other conditions as may be required by Council.
SMOKING REGULATIONS SIGNAGE

1. A minimum of two signs shall be posted within the interior of the building and a minimum of one sign on the exterior of the building, with all signs having dimensions of at least 12" x 18". The signage shall detail the restrictions for smoking within 6 metres of any openings to the building, including doors and windows that open and any air intake, as outlined in section 6(a) of the Smoking Regulation Bylaw.

COUNCIL DISCRETION

While this policy is intended to establish a framework which would apply to all rezoning applications for retail cannabis uses, Council maintains full discretion to allow or reject any application for a retail cannabis use and may, in its sole discretion, exempt applications from all or any part of this policy.

AUTHORITY TO ACT

Provincial legislation, including the Community Charter, Local Government Act, and the Cannabis Control and Licensing Act, authorizes the District to regulate locational aspects of retail cannabis businesses and to establish procedures to assess and approve such businesses.
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Hi Taylor,

I write with great concern after receiving a letter in the mail about a permit to be conceded to open a Cannabis store at Marine Dr. 1199.
I am completely opposed to the fact. I am actually concerned that the government would even consider such a thing. There are two, not one but two, day cares in within 30 meters of the proposed location.
I also believe there was a reason why the marine drive corridor was off limits for this kind of stores.
I understand that the laws about cannabis have changed recently but I still believe that having a store that sells cannabis right next to two day cares is outrageous.
Our children must be educated, cared for, guided and protected and I believe is our duty (my government included) to help them when they are at there most vulnerable state in their early years.
I truly hope my voice is heard and that this proposal does not go through.

Please feel free to reach out to me if needed.
A concerned parent,

Sent from my iPhone
Hello Taylor,

Here are my comments on the notice of application for cannabis retail store at 1199 Marine Drive:

I do not use any cannabis products and I have only ever used these products twice, and I am 100% in favour of a cannabis retail store in the neighbourhood. My reasoning is based on my understanding of objective scientific fact about the effects of cannabis - which are less disruptive to society than those of alcohol (based on emotional, physiological, risk-taking, violence areas), which is already legal and regulated.

I am in favour of the rezoning application and of regulation of the cannabis store under the LCRB, as I trust the process established so far.

Thank you for your consideration of my input.
Hi my name is [redacted] Marine Drive NVan. Re: Notice of Application for Cannabis Retail Store - 1199 Marine Drive.....my reply to this proposal.....(1) there are two daycare located near....one is located just behind the proposed store n one directly across the street....(2) there are my family restaurants located near by one directly across the street....(2) there are many under 18 year old children living in the neighbourhood .....Thks for your attention to my objections

...
Dear Mr. Taylor Jenks,

This is in response to your letter dated November 14th, 2019 concerning the notice of application for a cannabis retail store located at 1199 Marine Dr.

We are occupants of a residential unit located at in North Vancouver.

Thank you for the notification. We both have several concerns and oppose this application for Cannabis Retail Store - 1199 Marine Ave:

Please consider this case and say no to amending the zoning bylaw to allow a non-medical pot shop to open for business in an area that is not completely commercial in nature.

Feedback below:

The proposed location has a surrounding residential neighborhood where homes and apartments are located.

The proposed location has a public bus stop immediately adjacent to its operating doors.

The proposed location has an elementary school close by.

The proposed location has community-based health clubs and after school fitness programs close by.

The proposed location has a daycare behind the building that is situated in close proximity to the proposed nonmedical retail cannabis store.

People in the community using public transportation such as the B-Line or other buses have to wait at that official bus stop located at the corner of Pemberton and Marine Drive. Although there are signs posted at bus shelters banning smoking that does not deter smokers from lighting up.

Families and children walking too and from the surrounding proposed area, would directly pass by the doors of the proposed pot shop to their destination.

Families and Children may be directly exposed to second-hand smoke and other paraphernalia.

Having it directly at the corner of Pemberton and marine, where lots of families, lots of children’s teens and young adults would directly pass by the doors of the proposed pot shop and or in front while waiting for the bus to arrive basically invites the normalization of non-medical usage and it would become another issue that parents with kids are going to deal with.

Just because it's legal does not mean it is safe. Although legal, these nonmedical cannabis retail stores pose a potential negative impact on the community.

We already have High Traffic Congestion during 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM

The proposed retail store is located at the corner of Pemberton and Marine Drive. Both streets continue to experience consistent traffic congestion from early morning through to late evening each and every day.

Drivers use side streets in the area as short cuts to avoid traffic congestion on marine drive regardless of the New B-Line.

They use 15th St W, Welch St, 1st Ave St, and Pemberton in all directions to circumvent the traffic on Marine drive in getting to their destination, and results in creates more consistent traffic congestion and pedestrian problems.

As a pedestrian, you need to be extremely careful just crossing 16th and or 15th St West, as there is always a steady stream of
Traffic through the weekdays in both directions. Drivers also use the laneway behind 16th Ave as a short cut to get to the Mac Donalds and or Marine Drive.

**Parking Issues** - A construction boom has already caused a shortage of parking for residential, retail, and commercial businesses.

Smiling Stars Daycare, health facilities, community facilities, schools, and other retail businesses in the area such as Bean around the world, Cloverdale paints, MacDonlads Pemberton Plaza, Cactus Club are already competing for parking spots.

Keeping our existing streets and sidewalks safe for all residents should be a priority.

**The Proposed Non-medical retail cannabis store is in a - Sensitive Area**

The proposed retail store is located at the corner of Pemberton and Marine Drive. It backs onto a paint store and also a larger space occupied by Smiling Stars Daycare, a family-owned and operated daycare that services the community.

This daycare is in close proximity to the proposed Non-medical retail cannabis store. Families and Children would directly pass by the doors of the proposed pot shop. Families and Children may be directly exposed to second-hand smoke and other paraphernalia.

This proposed location is situated close to Norgate school, community-based health clubs and after school fitness programs for children. This area is also surrounded by residential homes and multiple apartments.

**Adults, Seniors, Families, and Children** would directly pass by the doors of the proposed pot shop and or in front while waiting for the bus to arrive.

Adults, Seniors, Families, and Children may be directly exposed to second-hand smoke and other paraphernalia.

Other retail businesses in the area cater to seniors, families, and children walking too and from the surrounding proposed area to get to their destination (Bus Stop, MacDonlads Pemberton Plaza, Cactus Club, health facilities, community programs, schools, and daycares) would directly passes by the doors of the proposed pot shop and may be directly exposed to second-hand smoke and other paraphernalia.

Please consider these concerns and feedback and say no to amending the zoning bylaw to allow a non-medical pot shop to
open for business in an area that is not completely commercial in nature.

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to provide feedback.

Sincerely

[Signature]
Hello,

> We recently came across a note about location - 1199 marine drive and the development plans there. We are parents of young children. We are very concerned by the news of a potential canabies store being opened there as that's our daycare just next to this location. We strongly urge not to consider application to open a Canabies store next to our daycare, in the place of old Golphing Store on marine drive.
>
> It's a very wrong choice of location for our North Van community. We sincerely request to find a family friendly business there.
>
> Thanks,
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>
I received a notice of application for a cannabis or Pot Store at the above address which is a block away from [redacted] along with many seniors and families with children. I strongly oppose the opening of a pot store in this area which serves a very different 'population' of people with needs that this type of store would cause serious problems and disturbances. thank you. [redacted]
Hello Taylor, we are the owners of [Redacted], and we have received the notice of application for cannabis store at 1199 Marine. It was my understanding that a cannabis store could not be located near a daycare or school. Two buildings near the subject property in question are occupied by a large daycare. Further, on the opposite corner of Pemberton and Marine is another large daycare.

Can you please let me know what are the stipulations regarding a cannabis store being near a daycare.

Thank you,
I'd like to express my concern and complete opposition to the proposal of development of non-medicinal cannabis store at 1199 Marine Dr.

This neighbourhood is a family oriented one, that's why we chose it a long time ago. The proposed store will be located at 40mts of two daycare centres, one of them being [REDACTED] and even though it's hard to visualize what kind of public this store will attract, I definitively feel this is not the right place.

The Marine Dr corridor already has some stores couple of blocks away, I don't think it's such a critical need that will justify changing the district bylaws. More over, all the strata councils from the condos in the area have been updating the bylaws to include cannabis as part of not smoking rules.

I don't pretend to stop people from consuming it, but I don't want me or my kids or my neighbours be nearby places where this is encouraged.

Lastly, I want to express my sentiment of disappointment given the fact that my government, the District of North Vancouver, even considers this proposal and asks public audience to evaluate it. It is so obvious that this is NOT the right place that makes me loose trust on the real reasons behind this proposal because corruption was currency in the government. Please don't disappoint the people that voted you and live up to north shore culture.
To whom it may concern

I would like to voice my opposition to the proposal to open a Cannabis store at 1199 Marine Dr. I am a resident of Norgate and [redacted], only a few doors away. In addition to the daycare, the proposed store is very close to Norgate elementary school and Kids & Co daycare. I do not think this is an appropriate location, given the proximity to so many young children, and hope that another location can be found.

Sincerely,

[redacted]
Dear Jen,

I am emailing you with regards to 1199 Marine Dr. North Vancouver and the application for a cannabis retail store to open in this space.

We are emailing to implore you not to approve a cannabis store to open in this space. In our experience, with a cannabis store in the vicinity, there will be an increase of pedestrians smoking cannabis nearby the daycares of young children (it is not only Smiling Stars that will be affected as many other daycares are in the area). Science has proven second hand smoke is harmful to those who are exposed. Especially lungs of little ones who are still developing and growing. The children of these local daycares spend a lot of time outside going for walks and playing. If a cannabis store opens in this retail space, it is more than likely they will be exposed to the second hand smoke of marijuana.

Please find another retail space that is removed from young children.

Sincerest regards,
Dear Ms Jenks,

As a parent, I will need to walk past the proposed cannabis retail store, with my child every work day, for pickup and drop-off at the daycare center. If the store becomes established, I think it's likely that there will, at some point be one or more undesirable interactions with people who may not, for want of a better expression, be totally sober.

I would like to mention the following possibilities:

1. The store attracts drug users who are not only interested in abiding by the law, but are also interested in using much more powerful and illegal drugs. In other words, people who present a risk in terms of discarded syringes, unwelcome interactions etc,
2. Customers may decide to light up close by to the store, whether it's against the law or not. This is not the kind of thing I want my child to be influenced by or to regard as ok behaviour,
3. There may be break-ins or attempted break-ins, leaving glass on our route to and from daycare,
4. There may be increased parking congestion in the vicinity, compromising sightlines and visibility of upcoming traffic, with obvious increased traffic hazards.

Therefore, I want to register my strong opposition to the proposed cannabis retail development at 1199 Marine Drive.

Best Regards,
It has come to my attention that there is a request to open a cannabis retail store in very close proximity to my child’s daycare on pemberton ave.

Myself are strongly against this as the store is not even half a block away from the daycare and the children would be subjected to the odors and clientele on a regular basis.

I know there is a previous location at marine and fell.

Is there a reason this location cannot be used as it is already a retail area?

Again I would like to express I STRONGLY disagree with the Marine and pemberton option.
Thank you,
Taylor Jenks
Planning Assistant

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Direct: 604-990-2428

-----Original Message-----
From: [Redacted]
Sent: November 22, 2019 7:54 AM
To: Taylor Jenks <JenksT@dnv.org>
Subject: 1199 Marine Drive

Hi Taylor,

I would like to weigh in on the decision to allow a dispensary for Cannabis at 1199 Marine Dr.

I live [Redacted] and we already have a lot of people smoking at the end of our street since it is a bar and there is a Cactus Club where people like to smoke before they go for food. Not a lot of people use vapers so the smell is pretty heavy and I would not like to encourage more of this activity.

I was under the impression that cannabis is to be treated as alcohol and to be consumed in your own home, not out in the parks or walking along the streets? If this is the case then something has gone astray because it can be very difficult to walk anywhere in the area without having to smell the smoke.

I am aware that just because a dispensary opens, does not mean that there will be people abusing the area but I have
lived over in the east Vancouver area and that is exactly what happened. The park over off Earles and 29th Ave that connects to the skytrain always smells of cannabis smoke.

The other thing that is very important, is that we also have a school a block away and a day care with many small children out and about during the day connected to the building directly behind the 1199 Marine location so I'm not sure we would be setting a good example of care.

Will there not be one in the liquor store in Capilano mall? That seems like a better location to me.

Thank you for your time.

Regards,
Thank you,

Taylor Jenks
Planning Assistant

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Good afternoon,

I've received an email from [redacted] daycare provider (Smiling Stars Daycare) notifying the parents that a notice of an application for a cannabis retail store was recently brought forward, with interest in opening in the old Golf store on Marine Dr./Pemberton.

I am (as well as many others) are against the idea of the location of the cannabis retail store, as
it will negatively effect the children who are most vulnerable and exposed in this area. In addition, directly across the street there is another daycare in extremely close vicinity who will also be effected. Currently, Smiling Stars Daycare has a closed off outdoor play area that backs on to an alley behind the old Golf store. What concerns me the most is that I can see this alley being misused as a possible location for cannabis customers to smoke-up, exposing the children to second hand smoke and disturbing visuals that no child should be exposed to.

Although this proposal is a huge concern to the community, especially parents whose children attend the daycare centre, I am fully confident that the District of North Vancouver and our council representatives will vote against the proposed retail store to protect so many children who are at risk.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Dear Taylor,

I strongly disagree with the above mentioned application.

Though it becomes legal to sell the cannabis in public, however, the location is not appropriate to be chosen. It is a prime location between Marine Drive and Pemberton, where there are two Day Care Centres nearby. McDonald's is opposite to the site. It will send a wrong message to the young people and children that it is fine to consume cannabis similar to eat fries and burgers. There is a fine line between good and bad. I don't believe the majority of parents will encourage their children to consume cannabis as a regular daily basis. Whoever disagree with my opinion merely due to the consideration of commercial and business ground, as long as their children are not consuming the cannabis. It is a very selfish behaviour.

Along the Pemberton Street, there are a lot of industrial locations could be considered. Please kindly consider my comment which is for the sake of younger generation who cannot judge
which is told to be good or bad among their peer groups. As an adult I MUST voice out my personal opinion.

Thank you for your kind and considerate attention. I believe this is the least thing that I can do for the next generation.

Regards
Thank you,

Taylor Jenks  
Planning Assistant  

DISTRIBUTION OF NORTH VANCOUVER  
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Hello Jen,  

This is [Redacted] from Smiling Stars Daycare every day to enjoy childhood.
This daycare is very close to the address of the place that you want to give them a permit for opening a cannabis retail store. To be honest with you it's kind of a nightmare for us as a parent in such a situation/environment and let others promote something that can ruin future for just making money and doing business. The North Shore environment has been always a family-friendly, safe and lovely place for enjoying life, We believe it's everyone's social obligation to keep it clean for our kids and future generation.

We appreciate it if you analyze its impression on our environments beyond the business side and don't let them ruin our kid's current and future life.

Regards,
Dear Taylor Jenks,

Thank you for your letter regarding the subject matter. I would like to take this opportunity to express my firm opposition to this proposal with the following comments / concerns:

1. I am of the opinion that such proposal would hinder the growth of the neighborhood / community in the same direction taken in the last 5-10 years.
2. I would never entertain the idea of this location to be even remotely appropriate for the...
proposals, given that it has (2) two daycare facilities in a 100 metres radius and it is way to close to residential buildings.

3. I understand current policies only include distances to schools, but I believe it is common sense to apply the same reasoning, i.e. to limit exposure to children and youth, to places like the indicated above.

4. Such proposal would surely be a deterrent for families looking to find daycare services in the area and will likely affect such businesses negatively. I consider this to be of major importance considering the well known difficulties most families experience when looking for quality daycare for their children.

5. I would consider a more appropriate location to be within a well defined commercial only area of the District, the most away from residential properties as practicable. Please feel free to contact me should you require more information.

Sincerely,
Thank you,
Taylor Jenks
Planning Assistant

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-----Original Message-----
From: [redacted]
Sent: November 22, 2019 11:30 AM
To: Taylor Jenks <JenksT@dnv.org>
Subject: Cannabis Retail Store - 1199 Marine Drive

Dear Taylor,

I would like to suggest that application of rezoning this property be denied. We live in a neighbourhood with many young children and I believe that having a cannabis store will likely attract people who may be dangerous to this community. I am not trying to stigmatize the people who need cannabis for medical reasons but it may entice the youth to experiment with marijuana in general having such a visible store on Marine drive.

Thanks,
Hello,

The daycare that [redacted] goes to (Smiling Stars Daycare) provided me with your E-mail address. How does one report their concerns of a cannabis store opening near a children's daycare? Is there a specific form to fill out? There are many children in that area and safety is of utmost concern as a parent.

Thanks for your help,

[redacted]
Thank you,
Taylor Jenks
Planning Assistant

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Dear Taylor,

We are the [Redacted]. We are opposing the Application for a cannabis retail
store on 1199 Marine Drive on the following grounds:

1. The proposed location is across the street of the McDonald's where many patrons are families with young children. So far we don’t know much about how second hand cannabis smoking may affect our health, it is suffice to say that allowing small children expose to the second hand cannabis smoking is not a good idea. It may be detrimental to their health. This should be avoided by all means possible. It has taken us years to find out the adverse effect of cigarette smoking to our health. We do not think we should repeat the same mistake by allowing a pot shop next to a popular place where children frequent.

2. It is the District policy that pot shop should not be allowed within 200 meters from the property line of a school. There is day care close by on Pemberton. Even this is not a "school" but the intent of the policy is for the benefit of school children. We recognize our duty to our school children and we should also give due consideration to our pre-schoolers as well.

3. There is already a cannabis retail shop on 1074 Marine Drive. We do not see the need for an additional cannabis retail store within three blocks from each other.

We hope that the Council will give serious consideration to the above. If you have any feedback or questions please contact me at jenny@natlandhomes.com. Thank you.

Warmly Regards,
Thank you,
Taylor Jenks
Planning Assistant

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Hi Taylor,

As a resident of [redacted], I am writing to express my disapproval with the proposed Cannabis Retail Store at 1199 Marine Drive.
1. I whole heartedly disagree with the 200m near Elementary and High School rule and say it should also include daycares. There is a daycare on NW corner of Pemberton & Marine, as well as one almost next door on Pemberton & W 16th St. This proposed locations is way too close.

2. If allowed, it would also be too close to a McDonalds which no doubt will encourage people to go hide somewhere to smoke before hitting up McDonalds; And where are they going to hide, down the lane where the daycare is, or in the apartment commercial parking area to the east, or where ever. This smoke will reach apartment windows and the daycare. Doesn’t matter if smoking isn’t allowed, it’ll happen, Police can’t be watching all the time. And other than that; garbage and paraphernalia will likely end up over the fence into the daycare and elsewhere.

3. Why is a store even needed; can’t they just order online and have it delivered!

4. There are already too many questionable people walking around the neighborhood. There have been numerous break-ins to our building already. So we do not need to add another attraction for these questionable people to break into.

5. In addition to break-ins and theft, there has been numerous occasions that needles have been found in our building’s commercial court yard exit passages! So if this is already happening, imagine what will happen with pot smokers hiding out in the same areas because of this proposed Cannabis Retail in our neighborhood.

Thanks
Hi,
I received the mail come from the city about the Cannabis store on 1199 Marine Drive. As a parent of a young child, I am very concerned about this planning change.

I have discussed this issue with my colleagues and they tell me the Cannabis is potentially kind of an entry (door opener) for some serious drug issues. And I do want the environment where my child grows up can be more suitable for "Normal Lives".

In my opinion, I think this kind of store should be located to some less people area like the tax free tobacco stores. The people who need the cannabis can find the proper transportation to there since they really want it.

I don't know if my concerns counts. Still I think I need to speak it out because it is very important for us to keep a more proper environment for where we are living.

Thanks,
Thank you,

Taylor Jenks  
Planning Assistant

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Hi Taylor,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide public input to the application for a cannabis retail store at 1199 Marine Drive (File 08.3060.20/056.19 / Case PLN2019-00056).

As a resident of the neighbourhood, I am writing to you in opposition of this application.
The cannabis retail policy adopted by District Council restricts cannabis stores from being located within 200m of an elementary or high school. By my measurements, the proposed location at 1199 Marine Drive is located approximately 250m from Norgate Community School. Although this is in excess of the 200m restriction, I do not believe it is in the spirit of the policy to have a cannabis retail store located so close to an elementary school.

The cannabis retail policy also envisions one retail cannabis store in each of the District's town centres, including Lion's Gate Village and Marine Drive. There are many other retail sites in this town centre that are located further from Norgate Community School that would be more suitable for such an establishment. There is presently another active application for a rezoning at 1074 Marine Drive. Were that application to be approved, having two retail cannabis stores located in such close proximity would be excessive for the neighbourhood.

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide public input on this proposal.
Thank you,

Taylor Jenks  
Planning Assistant

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From: [Redacted]  
Sent: November 24, 2019 10:01 PM  
To: Taylor Jenks <JenksT@dnv.org>  
Subject: File: 08.3060.20/056.19 Case: PLN2019-00056

Hello:

My name is [Redacted] building which is [Redacted] from this proposed site.

First, I just want to start by thanking you for this letter asking for community feedback regarding this development. I very much appreciate the time to provide input.

Overall, I oppose this amendment; I oppose allowing development of this cannabis retail store.
I have many concerns. Frankly, I'm concerned about the negative aspects from the potential increased number of people that this would attract. I believe that this will lead to more traffic issues and more issues associated people coming to an area that is only designed for a certain number of people. I believe mall's and larger strip malls are better able to handle this traffic. I'm unsure if this area can accommodate this, and I'm worried about people's safety.

Personally, I'm not in favour of marijuana. I respect people's now legal right to have it, but I would like this store to not be close to where I live. There could be issues with odour and additional garbage in the area. Also, other neighbourhoods have experienced issues of increased crime, and I prefer not to take a chance with any the above issues.

I understand the loss of financial benefits of not having a retail store here, but surely there must be other stores that would like to move in.

Thank you again for your letter,
Thank you,

Taylor Jenks
Planning Assistant

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Direct: 604-990-2428

From: [redacted]
Sent: November 19, 2019 4:53 AM
To: Taylor Jenks <JenksT@dnv.org>
Subject: File:08.3060.20/056.19 Case: PLN2019-00056

File:08.3060.20/056.19
Case: PLN2019-00056

Hi Taylor,

Thank you for your notice dated 14 November 2019 on “Notice of Application for Cannabis Retail Store -1199 Marine Drive”.

This isn't a good location for a cannabis store as it's too close to residential. It's at an intersection and passerbys are likely to be exposed to second hand smoke.
To my understanding, cannabis store should be barred within a 100 radius of a school. Not sure if a day care center is considered a school but there’s is one within 100 meters.

This will sure ruin serenity of the area.

Strongly oppose.

Thank you for taking time to consider our feedback.

Best regards.
Thank you,
Taylor Jenks
Planning Assistant

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-----Original Message-----
From: [Redacted]
Sent: November 21, 2019 6:37 PM
To: Taylor Jenks <JenksT@dnv.org>
Subject: Re: File:08.3060.20/056.19 Case: PLN2019-00056

Thanks Taylor,

Didn't mention it, in our first email, but, as you are aware, there is a Zoning Bylaw text amendment application by the BC Liquor Distribution Branch, presently before the District of North Vancouver, for a BC Cannabis Store at 1074 Marine Drive. That's two blocks from the proposed 1199 Marine Drive cannabis store. Why do we need two stores so close together?

Regards,
--- Original Message ---

From: [Redacted]  
Sent: November 19, 2019 2:33 PM  
To: Taylor Jenks <JenksT@dnv.org>  
Subject: File 08.3060.20/056.19 Case: PLN2019-00056  

Re: Notice of Application for Cannabis Retail Store - 1199 Marine Drive  

Mr. Taylor Jenks, Development Planning  

Dear Sir,  

[Redacted] and I oppose this development, because of its close proximity to the Day Care facility located at the north east corner of 16th Street and Pemberton Avenue. This is less than 1/2 block from the proposed Cannabis Retail Store.  

We do not feel that it is acceptable to mix these two uses within such a short distance of each other.  

Yours sincerely,  

[Redacted]
Hi Taylor,

I hope that you are having a good day.

I received on Nov 18, 2019 via mail your letter re: notice of application for cannabis retail store – 1199 Marine Drive to our home address. Thank you for the information and giving to the community a heads up about this intention. However, We do not support this project at all since we personally don't approve the legalization of cannabis for pleasure purposes. In addition, we believe bringing this store to our community will encourage significantly the visit of cannabis consumers (including addicts) to the surroundings of our building and two daycares (Smiling Stars daycare is right beside the proposed location), which could attract lots of outside smokers (although is not permitted in not allowed areas, but who will stop them?), and even possible undesirable people looking forward to participate in crime and illegal activities.

We believe this is a terrible idea!, our community very well, and will be attending this daycare in a near future and the last thing we want is anything related with drugs around children. This is a good community formed in is majority by working families with lots of kids and we put a lot of effort to try to keep it as healthy and safe as possible. Drugs are not good friends of family and kids. We don't understand why there's so pressure to put a cannabis store in this neighbourhood, this is the second proposal in 2 months! If drugs stores want to be open, they should go away from family buildings, parks and surroundings. What kind of message and role model are we giving to our kids. The City shouldn't be even contemplating this idea and bombarding neighbours with this proposals and us feeling we need to speak up and consume more time with this matters I do not give our support.

Thank you and kind regards,
Oh no, not another application for a cannabis retail store, this time at 1199 Marine Drive! Only 2 months ago, we area neighbours received a letter from Ashley Bellwood re a Zoning Bylaw text amendment to possibly approve a cannabis retail store at 1074 Marine Drive. This makes no sense at all...

Very recently I read in the North Shore News that the District of North Vancouver and the City of North Van are no longer allowing any kind of smoking in our public parks. You should also know that smoking inside and outside most strata buildings in the DNV is totally prohibited for several years.

Where is the sincerity of our North Van Officials when they say they are concerned and committed to deal with the various addictions in our communities?

The writer years. As i wrote to Ashley Bellwood on November 3rd, I know in my neighbourhood live many low income families, people on social housing, people that live in shelters due to various addictions, plus a number of homeless men. I feel approving several cannabis retail stores and additional provincial liquor stores in this Norgate/Marine Drive area is simply unconscionable.

Please consider the above comments before approving a text amendment to the Zoning Bylaw C9. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Hi Taylor,

I am writing to express my strong opposition on the "Notice of Application for Cannabis Retail Store -1199 Marine Drive". This is a neighborhood with families of seniors and children. What we need is diverse services and amenities that respond to the practical needs of the people who live around.

This location is at an intersection where most of the residents will cross for their daily needs and this will mean that they are much likely to be exposed with second hand smoke.

Though it’s against the law to consume cannabis and drive, there is no way to rule this out and increase accidents and threats to people in the community.

Sincerely,
Hi Taylor,
I object the application for Cannabis Retail Store at 1199 Marine Drive. There are two daycares around the block. One is Smiling Stars Daycare which is located at 1602 Pemberton Ave, North Vancouver, BC V7P 2S6. Another one is Willowbrace Academy which is located at 1226 Marine Dr #200, North Vancouver, BC V7P 1T2. Please kindly consider this factor when you make the decision. Thank you.
To whom it may concern,

I am a resident of [redacted]. I’m sending this mail to express my objection to the proposed “Zoning Bylaw Amendment to allow for a non-medical retail cannabis store” on 1199 Marine Drive. The reasons for my objection are:

Thank you,

Taylor Jenks
Planning Assistant

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1. The proposed store is located in a quiet community with not much commercial business. Right behind the store is Smiling Stars Daycare. I could often see child-care workers taking those little kids out on sunny days. I don’t think it a good idea to put a cannabis store so close to a daycare.

3. Norgate Elementary School is only 500m distance from it. McDonald is right on the other side of the road where school kids go a lot.

4. The store is right at the bus stop, 0 distance. My schoolmates meet at this stop everyday to take bus to high school.

I agree that adults have the right to buy cannabis if they need it. But maybe it’s better to sell it in shopping centres or online.

Thank you

Best
Dear Ms. Jenks,

I am writing as a concerned parent on Pemberton Ave. We have been notified of a plan to open a cannabis store in place of the old Golf store on Marine Drive.

I find this idea very troubling for many reasons. There are 2 daycare centres on that corner, 4 within walking distance, an elementary school, and many young families. This area, including Norgate, has finally seen some improvement after years of neglect and being just an
industrial/car dealership strip.
I worry what kind of people this cannabis store would invite into the area, and more importantly, I worry about young children second hand smoking marijuana.

I understand that by law cannabis stores have to be a certain distance from schools - what I don't understand is, how daycares don't qualify under the same rules. Norgate Elementary has signs up against idling cars because "young lungs are at work". perhaps this should be taken into consideration elsewhere too.

I hope this proposal will be rejected by the council.

Regards,
Thank you,
Taylor Jenks
Planning Assistant

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-----Original Message-----
From: 
Sent: November 21, 2019 1:22 PM
To: Taylor Jenks <JenksT@dnv.org>
Subject: Opposed to cannabis retail close to daycare

Hello

I am writing to express concerns and opposition to a cannabis retail store application that has been submitted for the address of 1199 Marine Drive. There are two daycares within a block of that location and it is not an appropriate site for such vendor. I support the addition of these types of shops on the north shore, but much thought should be given to their location. There are many industrial areas in North Vancouver that would be better suited and that are not near a school or daycare.

As a parent of a child attending one of the Daycare’s less than a block away from this retail site, I do not support the addition of vendor at this location as I feel it would be better suited elsewhere.

Best wishes

Sent from my iPhone
Thank you,
Taylor Jenks
Planning Assistant

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-----Original Message-----
From: 
Sent: November 29, 2019 8:52 AM
To: Taylor Jenks <JenksT@dnv.org>
Subject: Pemberton Marijuana Dispensary

Hello,

I work at Pemberton Ave. I believe that putting a marijuana dispensary in the old golf store would not be beneficial for this neighbourhood. As it already has had an increase of crime recently, putting a dispensary in would just attract more crime and for the many families and daycare facilities this would not be beneficial. This would be very dangerous for the daycare that would be right beside it. These children go on walks and there are always children walking around the street. Having people who’s brains are compromised around children would make many in the community uneasy. I get to work when it is still dark outside and usually leave work when its dark outside, walking from my car would be an extra uneasy feeling. I don’t believe that a dispensary is something that this neighbourhood needs and it would only increase crime.

Thank you,
Dear DNV,

I am writing to register my concerns upon hearing about not one but two retail cannabis stores proposed for the 1200 and 1600 blocks of Marine Drive.

I'm a resident of Norgate. Norgate has many young families with children who go to Norgate elementary school which is very near both these locations.
I acknowledge that cannabis can be used successfully medically. However, there are still huge question marks over how cannabis use effects children and adolescents and their developing brains. Frankly I don’t think it is appropriate having these shops so near a family neighbourhood and wonder if normalizing cannabis use, such as seeing (two!) cannabis retail stores in our immediate area effects the age which they start experimenting and also their access to it.

The sale of weed so close to our neighbourhood means that we will likely see an increase in people smoking it in our parks, school yards and streets. It may also possibly bring us an increase in property crime.

For these reasons, I and ask that the District reject both applications so near Norgate elementary school.

Kind regards,
Hello -

I'd like to comment and provide a reason not to allow a proposed cannabis store location at 1199 Marine Drive, North Vancouver.

This location is very close in proximity (just a couple of doors down) to a well established, large daycare facility called “Smiling Stars.” Attend this daycare. I am opposed to a cannabis store being allowed this close to a daycare. I am not against legalization or the opening of stores to sell cannabis, but I do not think they should be allowed within certain proximity to daycares, schools, etc.

Thank you,
Hi Taylor,

Regarding this proposal, I just wanted to submit my comment that I disagree with this proposed location for a number of reasons, aside from living in the building which will likely be the most impacted by this business, the daycare almost next door as well.

Regards,
Hello,

My name is [name removed]. I would like to raise my concerns over rezoning application submitted to open a cannabis retail store at 1199 Marine Dr, North Vancouver, BC V7P 1S8.

We have [name removed] going the daycare which is located right next to the potential cannabis store. The name of the place Smiling Stars Daycare, located at 1602 Pemberton Ave, North Vancouver, BC V7P 2S6.

I don't feel this is an appreciate place to have a cannabis store next to the daycare as it most likely will increase cannabis consumption as well as possibly a number of impaired cannabis consumers in the location of the daycare. I do not want my family to experience potential negative affects related to a cannabis retail business right the next door to our daycare.

Best regards,
Thank you,

Taylor Jenks  
*Planning Assistant*

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Hi Taylor,
Hope the feedback of Application for Cannabis Retail Store is still useful.
My family feel that having a Cannabis Retail Store nearby is not good idea.
Sorry for the late message.
Best Regard
Thank you for your November 14 letter requesting feedback about the above-referenced cannabis store on Marine Drive.

I am writing to indicate my opposition to the rezoning to allow the store to use this location because it is in close proximity to a school and number of restaurants frequented by young people (e.g., McDonalds, Boston Pizza, White Spot) and because as of the location, I am worried about their safety and how such a store may influence their choices. I often let scooter by this area on the way to the park at Norquay elementary school and I don’t want them to be approached by the clientele for such a facility or even to be exposed to the facility at all. Using a parallel example, I can’t imagine a specialty cigarette shop being approved to go so close to a school, particularly knowing what we know now about cigarettes.

Finally, I understand that there is a plan for building a strong community in this area and I also believe that this type of facility may dissuade new development and lower property values at a critical time in the community growth.

Thank you for your consideration. Please let me know if you have any questions.
I am writing in response to the “Notice of Application for Cannabis Retail Store - 1199 Marine Drive”.

I am deeply worried. This is where we need to stop for traffic lights and if there is a cannabis store, this will mean that we are prone to second hand smoke which is hazardous for us. Actually hazardous for everyone.

Moreover with the bus stop nearby and residential too, this does not make a suitable location.

Regards.
Thank you,

Taylor Jenks

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I posted the neighbour notification on the community's Facebook page and received no negative comments. The three comments received all contained similar wording which can be summarized as: As long as they follow the Federal and municipal regulations, then there should be no problem.

Regards,

Taylor Jenks

"Taylor Jenks" <JenksT@dnv.org>
Hi Taylor

Thanks for the two notifications, the only comments we have is do both these addresses fall under the "Lions Gate Village Centre and Marine Drive Corridor" area where under the Districts "Non-medical Retail Cannabis Policy" it says only one store location is permitted in each area?

Hi Taylor

Thanks for the two notifications, the only comments we have is do both these addresses fall under the "Lions Gate Village Centre and Marine Drive Corridor" area where under the Districts "Non-medical Retail Cannabis Policy" it says only one store location is permitted in each area?

On Wed, Nov 20, 2019 at 11:27 AM Taylor Jenks <JenksT@dnv.org> wrote:
The following public comments were received by phone during the notification process:

[Redacted] – Neighbourhood
- Wouldn’t contribute positively to the neighbourhood, not the greatest clientele
- Would in fact consider moving if the application went through

[Redacted]
- Concern with Daycare in the area
- Concerned that not everyone has a chance to respond to public notification

[Redacted]
- Daycare which is for kids aged 8 months to 5 years.
- They go for a walk nearly every day and concerned the kids would be exposed

[Redacted] - Neighbour
- Daughter goes to the daycare, is concerned with potentially attracting strangers to the neighbourhood

[Redacted] Neighbour
- Kids go to the daycare, and there is concern with people smoking nearby
VIRTUAL
PUBLIC HEARINGS
ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENTS

When: Tuesday, July 14, 2020 at 7pm
Where: 355 West Queens Road, North Vancouver
How: This Public Hearing will be held virtually, with participation by electronic means only. The hearing will be streamed over the internet at app.dnv.org/councillive

Two public hearings will occur consecutively in the order noted below.

Cannabis Retail Store at 1629 Marine Drive

What: A Public Hearing for Bylaw 8428, a proposed amendment to the Zoning Bylaw to add “Cannabis Retail Store” as a permitted use for the property located at 1629 Marine Drive in the Lions Gate Village and Marine Drive Corridor.

Questions? Taylor Jenks, Development Planning Assistant
604-990-2428 or jenks.t@dnv.org

Cannabis Retail Store at 1199 Marine Drive

What: A Public Hearing for Bylaw 8427, a proposed amendment to the Zoning Bylaw to add “Cannabis Retail Store” as a permitted use for the property located at 1199 Marine Drive in the Lions Gate Village and Marine Drive Corridor.

Questions? Taylor Jenks, Development Planning Assistant
604-990-2428 or jenks.t@dnv.org

When and How can I provide input?

We welcome your input on July 14, 2020 at 7pm. You may sign up in advance to speak at the hearing by contacting the Municipal Clerk at gordonja@dnv.org prior to noon, Tuesday, July 14, 2020. You may also provide a written submission at any time prior to the close of the hearing by sending it to the Municipal Clerk at input@dnv.org or by mail to Municipal Clerk, District of North Vancouver, 355 West Queens Road, North Vancouver, BC, V7N 4N5. After the speakers list has been exhausted, there will be an opportunity for additional speakers to make submissions by telephone. Dial-in information will be provided at the meeting over the internet to those viewing the video stream. Please note that Council may not receive further submissions from the public concerning these applications after the conclusion of the public hearings.

Need more info?

Relevant background material and copies of the bylaws are available for review online at DNV.org/public_hearing from June 30 to July 14.
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