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COUNCIL REPORT

TO:

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

2022 May 04

FROM:

GENERAL MANAGER PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

SUBJECT:

REZONING REFERENCE #21-35

4720 Kingsway (Metrotower 2) Licenced Childcare Facility

PURPOSE:

To provide information on the issues raised at the Public Hearing for Rezoning

Reference #21-35

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** a copy of this report be sent to the applicant and those who spoke at, or submitted correspondence to, the Public Hearing for Rezoning Reference #21-35

REPORT

On 2022 April 26, a Public Hearing was held for Rezoning Reference #21-35 (see *attached* Sketches #1 and #2). The purpose of the proposed rezoning bylaw amendment is to permit the operation of a child care facility with 147 spaces for infants, toddlers and preschool aged children.

At the Public Hearing one (1) written submission was received from Metro Vancouver, owner of Metro Tower 3 located at 4515 Central Boulevard, objecting the rezoning on the basis that an executed reciprocal operating and access easement agreement between the owners of Metro Tower 1 (4715 Kingsway), Metro Tower 2 (4717 Kingsway, Metro Tower 3 (4515 Central Boulevard), and the Metropolis Shopping Centre (4700/4750 Kingsway) is registered on title, which includes terms prohibiting owners from operating specific uses within the office towers, including childcare facilities.

The City is not a signatory to this easement, and the registered document does not include a Section 219 Covenant in favour of the City. Since the registered easement is an agreement between private property owners, the City does not have the authority to enforce the terms of the agreement. The City would only have enforcement authority if there is a Section 219 Covenant registered on title in favour of the City restricting the specific uses. However, the easement agreement also cannot fetter Council's discretion to rezone the properties to allow for specific uses, such as childcare. As such, Council has the authority to approve or not approve the rezoning bylaw amendment for the subject rezoning application at its discretion, irrespective of the registered easement.

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Notwithstanding, having received the written submission from Metro Vancouver, staff have been in contact with the applicant and have advised them to resolve the use conflict within the registered easement prior to Final Adoption. The proposed rezoning application remains supported by staff and advancement of the subject rezoning bylaw amendment to Second Reading is considered supportable.

It is recommended that a copy of this report be sent to the applicant and those who spoke at, or submitted correspondence to the Public Hearing for Rezoning Reference #21-35

E. W. Kozak General Manager

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Attachments

cc: City Solicitor

City Clerk

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