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Mayor and Council Township of Esquimalt 1229 Esquimalt Road Esquimalt, BC V9A 3P1

## Re: Rezoning Application for 621 Constance Avenue

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing in support of the rezoning application for 621 Constance Avenue (File #25103). I appreciate the opportunity to provide input on this proposal.

After reviewing the staff report and Advisory Planning Commission (APC) recommendations, I believe this project offers several benefits to the community. The six-storey building, with its thoughtfully designed mix of units, including 2- and 3-bedroom homes, responds to the urgent need for diverse housing options in Esquimalt. The design also reflects a sensitive approach to the site, incorporating landscaping and sidewalk treatments that will contribute positively to the public realm.

While some concerns were raised by the Commission about deliveries, these seem manageable, especially when weighed against the broader community benefit of creating more housing. That said, I recommend ensuring that the final design includes sufficient parking for the residents of the building. I drove along Constance Ave and Astle Str today. Constance Ave was impassible because one side the of the street was lined with parked cars from Astle Str to Esquimalt Rd, so the recycling truck had to occupy the only navigable part of the road while its crew did its work. Astle Str was lined on both sides with parked cars making it a one-lane road.

I also support the APC's added condition that the applicant work with staff to ensure the density and unit count reflect the character of the neighbourhood and take adjacent properties into account.

This is a modest, well-considered development that fits within the township's vision for growth and livability. I urge Council to approve the rezoning application and allow this project to proceed.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Duane Lecky