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DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT 436 1273 FIR STREET, WHITE ROCK (WHITE ROCK ELEMENTARY)

April 19, 2021

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Development Variance Permit
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From: Morganne Johnson <morganne.johnson@gmail.com>
Sent: April 14, 2021 8:33 AM
To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: The white rock elementary addition

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I just want to take a moment to ask please to leave the addition the way it was originally designed . It will look so great and it is for our children's education . We really want it to match . I know by laws have changed but let's be honest it is the only school in white rock and it needs to look beautiful . Please rule in favour of our school .

Thank you
Morganne

From: Mike H. <torrencescal@gmail.com>

Sent: April 14, 2021 9:23 AM

To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>

Subject: Support For Surrey School District's Application For A Development Variance

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Dear Mr. Newman:

I reside at 14851 Buena Vista Avenue in White Rock. I understand that the Surrey School District has applied for a Development Variance to a height by-law for an addition to White Rock Elementary.

Please inform City Council that I support this application. From what I understand the impact on the views of the neighbouring buildings is minimal; especially when considering that if the Development Variance is not approved mechanical units will be placed on top of the planned addition. These units will have an impact on the views of the neighbouring buildings of the school.

The Surrey School District has planned an addition that compliments the existing building. The existing building was designed to reflect the heritage of the original school buildings at the same site as the current White Rock Elementary. It is important for the City of White Rock to protect that heritage.

Thank You,

Mike Hurt

From: Tobey Booker <tobeymack@gmail.com>
Sent: April 14, 2021 9:28 AM
To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: White Rock Elementary Addition

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Mr. Greg Newman,

We are residents of White Rock and own a home located on Fir Street, White Rock. We have children whom attend White Rock Elementary School. We are writing to support the proposed addition (much needed in our opinion) to our neighbourhood school. We think that the proposed addition is the best plan, and that the sooner it can be built the better as our school is in need of additional safe and accessible classrooms.

Regards ,
Tobey and Jeff Booker

From: Caren Carlaw <carencarlaw@gmail.com>
Sent: April 14, 2021 9:46 AM
To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: White Rock Elementary

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Dear Sir,

I am a White Rock resident and I own a condo in White Rock as well.

I was drawn to this community by its character elements including the train station, the downtown area and the Elementary school. When I chose to make White Rock my home, these heritage sites figured into my decision, as in my mind they give White Rock a unique flavor which is quite lacking in the lower mainland in general.

I fully support the proposed additions to the White Rock Elementary which will preserve the White Rock historical design as a seaside school.

Please lend my voice to those in favour of this addition.

Sincerely,

Caren Carlaw



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From: Dan Barnetson <dan.barnetson@somagen.com>
Sent: April 14, 2021 10:18 AM
To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Fir Street Elementary School

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I am a White Rock resident and a property owner for 4 years. My choice to move to the City of White Rock was based on the natural beauty and the historic character of this town. The pier and promenade, the train station, the walkable hills with countless, almost hidden, stair sections and the panoramic views of the ocean. Add to this the Fir Street Elementary school. This is a beautiful, somewhat unique structure in a wonderful location ; very much a part of the core of White Rock.

I absolutely support the proposed additions to this Elementary school and location which will preserve the historical design as a seaside school. Please mark me as in favour of this addition.

DAN BARNETSON, MLT
Territory Manager, British Columbia

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From: Ellaina Steinman <esteinman@live.ca>
Sent: April 14, 2021 12:08 PM
To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Approve White Rock Elementary variance

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Hello

Please be advised as a home owner in White Rock that I approve the variance of height restrictions with regards to White Rock Elementary addition.

Plenty of high rises have gone up and our schools will desperately need the space with the influx of new families coming to live in the community.

I approve the variance and hope the school receives its approval.

Regards,
Ellaina Steinman
Resident

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From: Jennifer Holfeld <jkholfeld@gmail.com>
Sent: April 14, 2021 1:55 PM
To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Development Variance WR elementary

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Hello,

I am writing again to convey my support for a development variance in regards to White Rock Elementary. Allowing the extension as originally intended is an aesthetic benefit for the entire community for decades or centuries to come. We should be supporting attractive architecture in our common/community/municipal buildings.

Thank you,

Jennifer Dhaliwal
1053 Balsam St

From: White Rock United F.C. <whiterockunitedfc@gmail.com>

Sent: April 14, 2021 3:51 PM

To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>

Subject: Support for WRE original design plan

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Dear Mr Newman

We would like to support the group who is in favour of the original design plans for the White Rock Elementary School addition.

Please add us to the list, thank you,

Joe and Jasmine Commisso

From: sofia nov <sofiatony@hotmail.com>
Sent: April 14, 2021 7:07 PM
To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: White Rock Elementary design

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Hi Mr Newman,

As a resident of White Rock I would like to show my support for the original design for the White Rock Elementary School addition. It makes no sense to not have a seamless design and match the existing building design. It seems very silly that there is push back over a 5 foot variance when the result will be a beautiful, complete looking building instead of an eyesore.

Thank you,
Sofia

From: Dennis Fiorido <dennis.fiorido@gmail.com>
Sent: April 14, 2021 8:39 PM
To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: White Rock Elementary School Addition - Support for Variance Application

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Dear Mr. Newman,

This email offers my support to the variance application submitted for the White Rock Elementary School.

I have no children attending the school but support this application on the basis of my status as a White Rock resident and property owner, and thus my desire to see any new construction in the Uptown area meet a visual criteria that renders the area more architecturally pleasing to any observer. The variance will allow the addition to the school to blend in with the existing structure and maintain it's clean and modern farmhouse look.

White Rock commercial and high rise condominium properties are finally being developed with a sense of style that offers visually attractive designs. The addition to this public building should conform with these visual standards and I believe that to deny the variance application and construct the box design would not meet these standards, and in fact would be a step backward.

The variance request is not severe and it's approval would be visually much more pleasing to residents and visitors to the area, while only barely impeding any affected properties. On the other hand, denying this variance request would serve only to placate a small number of residents.

In thanking you for your consideration, I remain available to offer any follow up or clarification of my thoughts you might require.

Yours truly,

Dennis FIORIDO
15511 Pacific Ave.
White Rock, BC

From: Douglas Bjornson <douggordeanbjornson@outlook.com>

Sent: April 14, 2021 6:38 PM

To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>

Subject: White Rock Elementary Proposed Addition

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Hello Mr. Newman:

Please see our attached letter supporting the White Rock Elementary school addition as original proposed.

Regards,

Gordean and Doug Bjornson

From: Cassandra Murphy <biocass22@hotmail.com>
Sent: April 14, 2021 6:24 PM
To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: White Rock Elementary

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Hello,

I am a resident of White Rock with a child attending WR Elementary.

I would like to write to the City of White Rock to express my support in having City Council review an application for a variance to the height limit to the planned addition.

I believe it is more important to keep the character of the building that will serve the community for many years to come.

Thank you,
Cassandra Murphy

Sent from my iPhone

From: Rupa Chaube <rupachaube@hotmail.com>
Sent: April 16, 2021 5:04 AM
To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Re: WRE school height SUPPORT

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Attn: Greg Norman

We support the Surrey School district in regards to their application for the variance in the height limit for the planned addition for the above noted school

Rupa Nanubhai

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sinead Hibbert <hibbert@shaw.ca>
Sent: April 16, 2021 9:14 AM
To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: White Rock Elementary

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Hello,

I would just like to express my support for the addition to White Rock Elementary both as a parent and a home owner in White Rock. White Rock is developing rapidly and so yes we need more education spaces for the growing population and this expansion for WRE is a positive move. As an educator I see daily the benefit of students being in the school building instead of being on the out skirts in portables (it does create a disconnect for staff and students). The design SD36 came up with for WRE is very seamless and integrates well with the existing building thus keeping the site lines of the exterior of the building aesthetically pleasing for the neighbourhood. Please do not deny SD36 their current design as it will further delay the start of a necessary addition and it will incur extra unnecessary costs that can be put towards children's education. It is the children that will suffer here no one else.

Thank you,


Sinead Hibbert
hibbert@shaw.ca

"Rank does not confer privilege or give power. It imposes responsibility." – Peter Drucker

From: Brigitte Clark <Brigitte.Clark@directenergy.com>
Sent: April 16, 2021 1:07 PM
To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>
Cc: Andrew Clark <aclarkd@gmail.com>
Subject: White Rock Elementary School Addition
Importance: High

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Hi There

I have one child attending White Rock Elementary and will soon have another in September. My husband and I would like to support the school addition and would like it to go ahead and be completed as planned.

Please approve the variance.

Thanks

Brigitte Clark

From: [Cheryl Lightowlers](#)
To: [Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Re development variance permit 436
Date: April 16, 2021 5:25:28 PM

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This letter signifies my support for the expansion to White Rock Elementary.
Cheryl Lightowlers

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White Rock, BC V4B 0B5
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Cell (604) 512-6499
Email Cheryl.Lightowlers@gmail.com

Karen Sidhu

From: Clerk's Office
To: Greg Newman
Subject: RE: White Rock Elementary variance

From: Christina Fast <cfast17@icloud.com>
Sent: April 16, 2021 6:17 PM
To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: White Rock Elementary variance

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This is in regards to the White Rock Elementary variance application. We support the building height variance that would allow the addition to be approved. The application with the building style matching the current building, is much more aesthetically pleasing.

This school is an important part of the community and has a strong history here in White Rock. WRE deserves a fine building, regardless of whether the addition's height is a few feet higher than the current height restrictions.

Best regards,

Christina & Elton Fast
[15444 Russell Ave](#)
[White Rock, BC](#)

Karen Sidhu

From: Clerk's Office
Subject: FW: Support of district variance for WRE

From: Luciana Turchick Hakak <luturchick@gmail.com>
Sent: April 16, 2021 4:29 PM
To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Support of district variance for WRE

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Dear Mr. Greg Newman,

I'm writing this email in strong support of the district variance that would allow White Rock Elementary to build an extension to the school according to the original plans. This request is so that the school - which is an asset to the entire city - will retain its architectural soundness and beauty, and have properly ventilated classrooms.

Please consider this request carefully.

Best regards,

Luciana Turchick Hakak

WRE parent and White Rock resident.

From: [Greg Newman](#)
To: [Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: FW: School variance
Date: April 19, 2021 8:29:23 AM

Greg Newman, MCIP, RPP
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-----Original Message-----

From: Marilyn Holfeld <carijen@shaw.ca>
Sent: April 16, 2021 4:15 PM
To: Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: School variance

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I support the variance wholeheartedly. To not make a continuance of roof line would be a travesty. The poor people who would have to look at a jagged roof line.

Marilyn Holfeld
White Rock BC

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Greg Newman](#)
To: [Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: FW: DVP 436, 1273 Fir Street, White Rock Elementary School
Date: April 19, 2021 12:28:35 PM

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-----Original Message-----

From: Karanjit Singh Kochar <karanjitkochar@gmail.com>
Sent: April 18, 2021 9:23 AM
To: clerksoffice@whiterock.ca; Greg Newman <GNewman@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: DVP 436, 1273 Fir Street, White Rock Elementary School

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Hi

We support the variance regarding the height of the school building.

This is public school and allow expansion of classroom

We have so many new building coming up in the area and we need to support the expansion of the school to accommodate the same

Thanks
Karanjit

Sent from my iPhone