

From: [REDACTED]
To: [PlanningAlias](#)
Subject: temporary use permit 1885 Cliffe Ave.
Date: Saturday, July 8, 2023 8:11:36 PM

I feel strongly that Council should NOT approve the Temporary Use Permit at the above address for the following reason:

- The proposed use is not a solution to the escalating problem of vagrants, homeless people, people living on the street, criminals and people needing mental health care congregating in the downtown area of Courtenay.
- This process of having a public meeting and public input at this time is flawed because it appears that that the 'deed is done', with the once well-kept property of the motel now turned into an unsightly and uninviting walled fortress on the main thoroughfare in our community.

Greg Brown

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Courtenay

From: [Viva Pappel](#)
To: [PlanningAlias](#)
Subject: Public input opportunity
Date: Saturday, July 8, 2023 11:58:10 AM

Good morning,

I have been asked to weigh in on the application for supportive housing at 1885 Cliffe Avenue.

There are 3 points that I think the City should elaborate on.

1. What exactly is “supportive housing”? Is this to shelter the homeless?

Who has top priority, ie. single mums, women and children fleeing abuse?

Will it accommodate people with great physical and or mental disabilities?

2. The word “temporary “ is I believe misleading. I don’t believe that the possibility of six years is actually temporary.

3. I hope that the businesses and residents who might be impacted the most should have a big say in whether or not this permit is granted.

Yours, Viva Pappel

Sent from my iPad

From: [John Pappel](#)
To: [PlanningAlias](#)
Subject: Temporary Use Permit 1885 Cliffe Ave
Date: Saturday, July 8, 2023 10:51:49 AM

To Whom it May concern,

I am firmly opposed to this permit application. This type of housing has lead to higher crime rates in similar areas in Nanaimo. With the advent of the free drug policy and the current bail system , this is a very bad idea for Courtenay. This industry of social workers and their accompanying lawyers have a vested interest in promoting these types of housing for people who are transient to Vancouver Island.

Is BC housing looking to offload their homeless problems in Vancouver to smaller communities on Vancouver Island. This type of housing will be a natural attraction for transients to move here. The trash, drug paraphernalia, and antisocial behavior is not something you want your children being exposed to.

What type of community do you want Courtenay to become? The tax paying citizens and business in the area will need to support higher policing costs and other services. Look at the fire recently in Vernon destroying an number of businesses there as an example of what you will have to look forward to.

Sincerely,
John E Pappel

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
Cc: [PlanningAlias](#)
[Peter Barnacle](#); [Claire Card - U of S](#)
Subject: Public Input Temporary Use Permit 1885 Cliffe Avenue
Date: Friday, July 7, 2023 12:04:31 PM

Hello

RE: BC Housing - File Number TUP00008

We are co-strata title holders for a suite at Old House Hotel & Spa and wish to express our support for the BC Housing application. Supportive Housing is an important program for housing units with individualized services for those in the Comox Valley with underlying health and social needs. BC Housing is to commended for their initiative and we hope that the City of Courtenay will approve the permit application.

Please accept this as support for the application.

Yours

Peter Barnacle
Claire Card

From: [Cole Makinson](#)
To: [PlanningAlias](#)
Subject: Super8 Supportive Housing Temporary Rezoning
Date: Tuesday, July 4, 2023 12:46:44 PM

Hello,

I would like to express my opposition to the temporary rezoning for the Super 8 motel for supportive housing. The area is currently not zoned for this use, and it seems like the province needs better planning/collaboration with City of Courtenay staff to ensure it aligns with the City's plans. I support Courtenay's push for the Province to provide permanent purpose built housing. Allowing this temporary rezoning would provide the Province an opportunity to not fulfill their requirements and continue with band-aid solutions.

Courtenay is increasingly feeling unsafe in the downtown area and condensing these services without proper planning with Courtenay staff is not aiding the situation. I have a young family that live and work in the downtown area, and we are increasingly losing access to public spaces due to safety issues. The chosen location is ~600m away from Courtenay Elementary School.

There were many issues at the temporary location at the travel lodge (stabbings, fires, etc). Why would we want to move this closer to an elementary school and residential area without thorough planning?

<https://www.vancouverislandfreedaily.com/news/witness-describes-sunday-evening-courtenay-stabbing-scene-there-was-blood-everywhere-2/>

<https://www.comoxvalleyrecord.com/news/with-video-early-morning-fire-displaces-residents-at-courtenay-motel/>

Cole Makinson
Courtenay, BC

From: [Natalie Fisher](#)
To: [PlanningAlias](#)
Subject: super 8 transitional housing
Date: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 9:25:30 PM

Hello,

I support the motion to grant the temporary use permit to convert super 8 motel into supportive housing. I know that people need housing first before they can tackle any other issues such as trauma, drugs, alcohol, neglect, abuse, mental illness and of course homelessness. Providing an opportunity for people to become stabilized is paramount. I know that travelodge has had its issues but I am sure that issues are being tackled so that things become better for clients and surrounding neighbors. The new location is only 1.2 km away from its present location and will have someone on site 24/7. Comox Valley transition society is trying to change lives and bring hope to people who for too long have been invisible and marginalized. Council please expedite this permit so that all our citizens can get the resources and support they need to move forward with their lives.

Cheers,

Natalie Fisher
23 year resident of Comox Valley