

email rec'd. from Concerned citizen

Objection to a Cannabis Retail store in the City Centre Mall...

Over the years I have spoken to the city about changing the city bus stop. Move it away from the mall. Possibly to where the food trucks park. There may have to be a change in the way traffic flows and there would have to be pedestrian walkways from the new bus stop to the mall entrance. This would eliminate people hanging around the mall entrance.

Concerns with a cannabis store at 213 City Centre (City Centre Mall entrance)

- \* This is the main entrance to Kitimat's major shopping mall and City Hall (I have not seen any other community that has public transit this close to a mall entrance)
- \* Intense city bus traffic right in front of the mall entrance

The mall entrance caters to a number of vulnerable citizens ...

- \* Students travelling by city transit from Kildala to Mount Elizabeth
- \* Kitimat Food Share Program & CDC (same location)
- \* Kitimat Food Bank
- \* Candy Store
- \* Doctor's office
- \* City Hall
- \* Under age children, elders and people with disabilities
- \* Air quality in many of the businesses facing the lower city centre parking area

I have had the occasion to walk in front of the mall entrance, from the parking lot to the mall entrance and board a city bus. These are some of my experiences.

- \* Smoking, vaping and drinking
- \* Spitting and littering
- \* Rude language
- \* Panhandling
- \* People sitting on the steps
- \* Bus fumes

I am not opposing Cannabis Retail, I am opposing the location.