



March 1, 2019

Mayor Phil Germuth and Council
270 City Centre,
Kitimat, BC V8C 2H7

Re: Tamitik Status of Women mixed-use commercial and social housing building

Dear Mayor and Council;

We are writing in support of this application for a zoning and OCP amendment bylaw to permit social housing and accessory commercial uses at 461 Quatsino Blvd. As an agency that provides similar services to those provided by Tamitik Status of Women in Kitimat, we are painfully aware of the shortage of housing and other services for women and their children experiencing violence across the province. After years of a lack of funding allocated to such projects, together with a critical housing shortage, it is imperative for all municipalities to ensure that social housing is built while provincial funding is available.

It is our sincere hope that you will support this important project. Women and children who are fleeing violence or are living with its effects in the Kitimat area must be able to count on their municipal officials to play their part in ensuring their safety and well-being.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Laurie Parsons".

Laurie Parsons
Executive Director

Working together locally to eliminate violence against women globally.
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