



Office of the City Clerk

February 12, 2021

### RE: NOTICE OF HEARING - SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT APPEAL BOARD

An appeal has been filed on the issuance of a Development Permit by the Development Officer to establish a 3100 square foot development for a Resource Center for HIV Community Link located at 422 13 Street North (File #2021-01).

When an appeal is filed with the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (SDAB), all persons who own property within 200 feet or 60 meters of the development are notified of the hearing by way of this letter. In addition, the owner of the property will also receive a copy of this letter.

The Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (SDAB) will hold a Public Hearing as follows:

DATE:

Thursday, February 25, 2021

TIME:

5:00 p.m.

LOCATION:

Council Chambers, Main Floor, City Hall

910 - 4 Avenue South

Persons affected by this development have the right to present a written, verbal and/or visual submission to the Board. When making a presentation, keep in mind that in accordance with the legislation that governs the SDAB, the Board can only consider relevant planning matters when rendering its decision. It is recommended that you limit your presentation to five minutes.

If you wish to submit written material to the Board, it should be delivered to the Secretary of the SDAB via email at <a href="mailto:david.sarsfield@lethbridge.ca">david.sarsfield@lethbridge.ca</a>, no later than 12:00 noon on the Wednesday prior to the hearing. If you are unable to meet this submission deadline, please bring 12 copies of the materials to the Hearing and it will be distributed at the start of the Hearing. Any written and/or visual material received will be made available to the public.

Due to COVID19, the City is following the recommendations from the Province of Alberta and the City of Lethbridge with regards to social distancing. If you wish to make an online presentation at the meeting (a maximum of 5 minutes) please send an email as listed above.

We will be pleased to answer any questions you may have regarding the appeal and can also provide information or advice on Board procedures and how to make presentations to the Board. Please feel free to contact me at 403 329 7329 if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

David Sarsfield Board Secretary.

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Subdivision and Development Appeal Board

This information is collected under the authority of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, Section 32(C) and will be included in the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board agenda. The agenda is a publicly available document. If you have any questions regarding the collection of this information, please contact the FOIP Coordinator, Telephone 403 329 7329.



# NOTICE OF A SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT APPEAL BOARD HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 25, 2021

PLACE: Council Chambers, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

City Hall - 910 - 4th Avenue South

TIME: 5:00 p.m.

# **AGENDA:**

1. CALL TO ORDER

# PRESENTATIONS:

2.1 5:00 p.m.

**SDAB No. 2021-01** 

APPEAL OF GRANTING OF DEVELOPMENT PERMIT 12687

Appellants: Norine Dodge et al

Address: 422 – 13 Street North

To establish a 3100 square foot development for a Resource Center for HIV Community Link

Land Use District: General Commercial (C-G)



# Subdivision & Development Appeal Board

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## Land Use Bylaw 6300 **DEVELOPMENT PERMIT**

# PERMIT NO. **DEV12687**

Address: 422 13 ST N District: C-G

Legal: 406R;147;5,6

Applicant: HIV COMMUNITY LINK Phone: (403) 508-2581

Address: 110, 1603 - 10 AVE SW CALGARY, AB T3C 0J7

**Development Proposed** A request to establish 3100 sf for a Resource Center for HIV Community Link.

District C-G GENERAL COMMERCIAL

**Land Use** RESOURCE CENTRE - DISCRETIONARY

### CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

1. Compliance with plans:

The development shall be in accordance with the plans submitted January 27, 2021. Any change to these plans requires the approval of the Development Officer.

### 2. Provincial or Federal Approvals:

If required, the operator/provider must obtain and maintain any relevant provincial and/or federal approvals.

### 3. Neighbourhood Communication Plan:

A Neighbourhood Communication Plan shall be submitted to the Development Officer by March 31, 2021. The Neighbourhood Communication Plan must state how many times a day needle debris will be picked up, and to what radius. The Neighbourhood Communication plan shall be adhered to by the owner/operator of HIV Community Link. The Communication Plan Log shall be shared with the Development Compliance Officer annually, who is able to enforce the Neighbourhood Communication Plan.

### 4. Off-street Parking:

No additional spaces are required for this use. Any existing spaces shall be provided and maintained.

### 5. Signs:

Prior to the installation of any exterior signs, a sign permit must be approved by the Development Officer

CC:

Regulatory Services Fire Prevention Officer Senior Building Safety Codes Officer

#### Attachments:

Sample Neighbourhood Communication Plan

### INFORMATIVE:

A suggestion for the neighbourhood communication plan is to ensure that the first needle debris pick up happens prior to businesses opening in the neighbourhood.

**Decision Date** 

**Development Commencement** 

Feb 02, 2021

Provided this decision is not appealed, development shall commence: · on or after the valid date, and

**Valid Date** Mar 02, 2021

· within one year of the valid date.

Development may commence before the valid date only if the applicant has signed the

"Voluntary Waiver of Claims" and is in receipt of this signed permit.



# Land Use Bylaw 6300 DEVELOPMENT PERMIT

# PERMIT NO. DEV12687

**Development. Authority** 

ANGELA OLSEN, DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

### STATUTORY PLANS

The SSRP and applicable municipal statutory plans were considered in rendering this decision.

### **APPEALS**

The applicant has the right to appeal this decision to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board. An appeal shall contain a statement of the grounds of appeal and shall be delivered either personally or by Registered Mail so as to reach the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board not later than twenty-one (21) days after the decision date indicated on the Development Permit or 'Development Permit Application - Refused' letter.

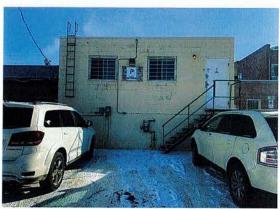
#### **FOIP**

The personal information provided as part of this permit is collected under the Alberta Municipal Government Act and in accordance with section 33(c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. The information is required and will be used for issuing permits, Land Use By-law 6300 compliance verification and monitoring, and property assessment purposes. The name of the permit holder and the nature of the permit is available to the public upon request and may be revealed in public appeal processes.

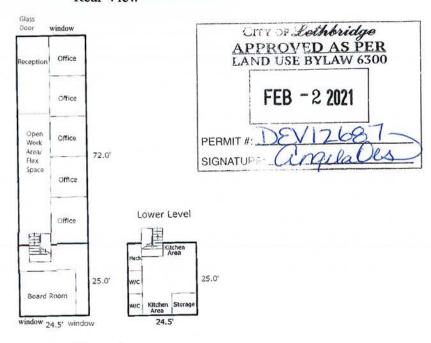
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Permit No. DEV12687





Rear View



Floor plan

### DESIGNATED LAND USE

District:

C-G General Commercial

Subject Use:

Permitted use

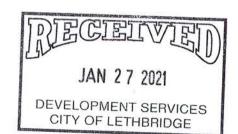
Land Use Bylaw:

No. 5700 of the City of Lethbridge

Proposed Land Use: Resource Centre

Parcel Area: 3100 sq. ft.

Regular Parking Spaces: 2 in rear





# **Permit Application**

# **Development Permit Application**

Multi-Family, Commercial, Industrial, and Public Use Developments

All of the following information is necessary to facilitate a thorough and timely evaluation and decision of your application. All materials submitted must be clear, legible and precise. Only applications that are complete will be accepted. PLEASE NOTE: this application is ONLY for a development permit. If a building permit is also required, you must apply for it separately.

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# **Permit Application**

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Multi-Family, Commercial, Industrial, and Public Use Developments

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### **About HIV Community Link**

With a history of over 35 years in providing support to vulnerable and key populations at risk, HIV Community Link (HIVCL) started delivering local Lethbridge programs to address a gap in services in October 2020.

HIV Community Link provides supports and services to individuals living with or at risk of contracting HIV, HCV (hepatitis C), and other STBBI (Sexually Transmitted and Blood Borne Infections). Program activities include case management, emotional support, peer support, system navigation, support in accessing HIV, HCV, and other STBBI testing and treatment, prevention information for people at risk, Indigenous cultural supports, and community education sessions. To reduce the incidence of HIV and other STBBIs, HIV Community Link provides safer sex and safer substance use equipment, including syringes, and our workers will help to collect needles and other substance use debris in the community.

HIV Community Link will not be offering supervised consumption services in Lethbridge, daytime shelter, or overnight accommodation, and the kitchen will be primarily for our staff's use. The kitchen does not include a stove. We may employ clinicians [i.e. Registered Social Worker(s), Registered Nurse(s)] but would not be considered clinical or medical in operation. Services are provided in the office and in the community. In discussion with the City of Lethbridge, we would be designated as a 'Resource Centre'.

HIVCL is committed to being a good neighbour; as such, we will actively address loitering directly outside of our property and will provide daily (weekdays, excluding holidays) needle debris cleanup in a two-block radius around the property.

Sources: Esri, HERE, Garmin, Intermap, increment P Corp., GEBCO, USGS, FAO, NPS, NRCAN, GeoBase, IGN, Kadaster NL, Ordnance Survey, Esri

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Parcel Locator WebMAP

February 12, 2021

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City of Lethbridge Appeals Board

Attn: David Sarsfield

Please see attached our Appeal Form for DEV 12687 for the Resource Centre the City that has apparently been already approved to open on 422 - 13 Str. N, Lethbridge.

I have attached a 2nd page which is included although not expressing all of our concerns I am quite sure you get the point of what's already happening in our area.

I know of a lot of people who will be appealing with their concerns to **NOT have this approved for our area.** 

If this in some way moves forward I know you will not hear the end of our Northside Community, something will be done for the City to understand and listen to the people who actually live in this area. I can always take pictures to show you what transpires on a day to day directly across from the establishment already.

After 34 yrs living in our residence I cannot express right now how upset I am about this and how afraid we are having to lock our doors and constant monitor our area/block being behind the Scotiabank Mall/No Frills. I have never made so many phone calls for Police/Ambulance in my life. Constant looking out my door to leave to even drive anywhere or sit on my front step or in my back yard.

I hope you never have to feel this unsafe as I do living where I am. Since the development of the Shelter & the Safe Injection Site with Subsidized housing building my world has done a 180 degrees with fear. Some people think we are being overboard with what we say but to be totally honest it is the 100% truth. It's what's happening right in front of our home that we loved when we bought it and brought up 3 girls back in the day fine allowing them to ride their bike, play in the front yard. Now what has changed ~~~~ Lethbridge and what the City has allowed to be as what they call support services. I think if you were to focus on Treatment Centres availability that's where \$\$ should go. Let's rehabilitate these individuals which are people not objects and do something positive not enabling more resources for them to continue to do it.

Not only are there Schools involved now but a Senior Lodging on 5 Ave. We all already see enough of this activity please do not make it worse!!

I lost my daughter due to a friend giving her a Fentanyl pill in 2017, it turned my life upside down. She wasn't an addict like the people I see everyday in front of my house, she was a normal 24 yr old girl with a good job & morals/values/respect that this one pill messed her life.

We tried to get her into a Treatment Centre in Lethbridge but they said it would take 3-4 mths and when she was able to get in in April, she passed away in March 5 days before her 25th B'day.

So in a way I can understand and be empathetic to their situation but on the same note what is Lethbridge doing it about as it is getting so out of hand and allowing this Resource Centre to open just shows me Lethbridge doesn't care but just helping them do it!

Only more debris and individuals will be flooding my block which makes me very sad if this is allowed.

Respectfully Yours,

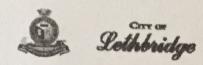
Tammy & Keith Badura ktbad@shaw.ca 403-328-9538

I have 4 Grandchildren that are afraid every time they come to visit and leave. Before they head out the door, they asked their Mom/Dad "is it OK are their bad people on the street"? It is really sad when you hear a 5 yr old say that or ask, "how come they are acting like that, what's wrong with them"? Or "is that person dead"?

Never mind we have not gotten to the <u>debris that is left everywhere</u> and having this site close to our neighborhood how much more it will create. Walking with our Grandchildren to the Westminister School we really don't do anymore and walking our dogs if very hard due to the following;

- 1. Needles found, syringes (some still with blood/fluid in them), blue rubber bands to do their drugs, saline bottles.
- 2. Dirty Kleenex everywhere our dogs find and eat and have gotten sick from.
- 3. Excess amounts of clothing just tossed everywhere since they get these free too.
- 4. Behind the bank/mall they herd together in groups to do their drugs, sleep, twitch out, argue/fight. Heard a girl pretty much scream she didn't want to have sex stop pulling my pants off. CRAZY!!
- 5. Numerous police phone calls we have made to remove them from our area which is exhausting.
- 6. Found people sleeping by our trailer almost dead from drugs had to call the Ambulance.
- 7. Security videos of people in our back yard at all hours and stealing from both our back/front yard property. I can't even have a decorative light up tree and that gets stolen.
- 8. Congregation of sometimes 10-30 of them at one time in the area and they get away with shooting up in the daylight for my grandchildren to see.
- 9. Individuals almost getting run over because they can't walk or function on 13 Str N right at that area, illegal sale of drugs we have witnessed & prostitution having to call the police.

I think you get the point the area is already bad never mind adding a Reduction Harm Site to enable more of this activity. It was a nice place to live and call Lethbridge our home and be proud but not anymore. I'm actually really embarrassed, and it seems the City just enables them more and approves these sites without considering the consequences that can occur in the area, especially where there's schools involved with many children who walk to school & play. WE ARE SCARED & AFRAID!!



# **Subdivision & Development Appeal Board**

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## **Subdivision & Development Appeal Board**

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Feb 8/2021

### Reason for Appeal - Development 12687

The grounds for this appeal are as follows:

On Nov 25, 2016 four partners incorporated a business and purchased 418 13 ST N, the historical building two doors down from the proposed development of a new harm reduction site at 422 13 St N.

The new owners were excited to rebuild this 105 year old historical jewel in the heart of 13 Street North in Lethbridge. They were also excited to see revitalization come to this entire area of 13 Street North. The construction process took approximately one year, but when completed the building reclaimed some of the historical beauty it once had. It once again became a main hub in the community with a coffee house and café on the main floor, a community urban rental venue on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor and an entertainment escape room company in the basement.

In 2018 the building was designated as a municipal historic resource by the province of Alberta and named the Burgman Block. The Burgman Block development five years ago was the beginning of much revitalization to this area of 13th Street. There has been an incredible amount of investment by property owners within two blocks of the proposed tenant of 422 13th Street. If HIV community Link moves in, I believe it will be the end of the revitalization to this area.

I am both a property owner and a business owner on this block of 13th Street and I believe this location for a harm reduction site will have a catastrophic effect on the businesses and property owners on this street. I believe this harm reduction site will bring property values down and cause business to decline all along 13 Street because it will bring the clients of HIV community Link into this area of the city that is already struggling with homelessness and illegal drug distribution. HIV community Link will increase the level of homelessness and drug distribution in this area.

If you pass out free needles from this location, those receiving the needles will naturally want to inject their drugs sooner than later. The entire area around this location will be the newly desired places of injecting drugs. There are 2 schools with-in 3 blocks of this location and other schools nearby, the needles that are distributed by HIV Community Link are going to be disposed of behind our buildings and businesses and around these schools. There are also homes backing 422 13 Street N, they will literally have needles deposited in their back yards.

There are many small businesses along 13th street that have been going through challenging times because of Covid-19. As these small businesses are starting to get back on their feet, there literally could not be a worse location or worse timing to bring HIV Community Link to this area.

Last week I had to remove a lived-in make-shift shanty built by a gentleman behind my building at 418 – 13 street N. The female staff of the businesses in my building were parking at the back of the building and having a homeless man living there made them feel uncomfortable to go past his living accommodation to get to their cars. I loaded into a large refuse bin the plywood, metal, a mattress, a pack of unused needles and case from a Naloxone kit and removed them from site. I would also like to

mention that one of the business owners in our building had to call the police 3 times to ask the gentleman to leave the property. The police also had to remove a lived-in shanty from the roof of a neighboring business recently.

As a person who is heavily invested in 13th street and living on the North side, it is my recommendation for the City of Lethbridge to find a more suitable location for HIV community Link. There are other locations in Lethbridge already providing needles, I would also recommend more support to those existing programs and locations.

The North Side has been fighting perceptions of being a "less desirable location" to do business because of some of the issues listed above. As someone doing business on 13th street I can say for certain that this perspective has been changing and is trending in the right direction as seen by the huge investment in 13th street. To bring HIV community Link to this area of 13th street will further support the "less desirable location" perception. All the businesses in my building are dependant on foot traffic. If there are needles being handed out next to many small businesses, the perspective of this area will change and foot traffic will decrease.

I have a heart for those with addictions and have contributed heavily towards this cause by supporting Street Alive Mission. HIV community Link is a program from another city who does not know the demographics of our city. They could not have chosen a worse place to set up their programs.

I am asking the City of Lethbridge to deny approval for the development permit in this location at 422 13 Street N, Lethbridge.

Thank-you for taking the time to hear these concerns.

Jody Banda

Owner of 418 13 Street N.

Partner in Underground Escape (basement of 418 – 13 Street N.)

February 11, 2021

City of Lethbridge 910 – 4 Avenue South Lethbridge AB

Attention: David Sarsfield

Dear Sir:

Re: 422 – 13 Street N, Lethbridge AB

Development App # DEV 12687

We wish to appeal the issuance of this development permit. There are enough Resource Centres in our City. Surely the City of Lethbridge has learnt that issuing needles, etc. severely affects the businesses and landowners in the area in a huge way materially. The businesses and landowners have tried to revitalize this older area of town. This Resource Centre can only negatively impact our efforts! It will cause a lose of customers, land value and profits to many businesses in the area.

We moved from our location on 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue South which was close to the injection site to this location in the North partly to get away from the needles, garbage and individuals hanging outside our back door. Now you want to bring it to our back door again.

Please reconsider your decision!

Sincerely, Rod & Heather Banda Owner/Operators ----Original Message-----

From: Sarah B < sj.becker@live.ca >

Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 8:00 PM

To: David Sarsfield < <u>David.Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca</u>>

Subject: [External] Appeal

Dear Mr. David Sarsfield,

I have read an article about the input of a harm reduction site close to my home. With deeps roots in this neighbour and a growing young family I was devastated to read the location for this facility. The location of the address to appeal is - 422 - 13 St with the Development App # DEV 12687. This area is already flooded with issues, adding this would increase the problem and force us to move out of the area. Consider all young families while these decisions are being made.

Yours truly,

Sarah Becker 1505 9 Ave North Lethbridge T1h 1h5 From: Tyson Bosch <tbosch@eaglecommodities.ca>

Sent: Tuesday, February 9, 2021 11:54 AM

**To:** David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca> **Subject:** [External] Harm Reduction site 422 13st N

Good Morning David,

I was informed to ask about the site issue with you. I have seen Mutiple articles about an application for a harm reduction site opening at 422 13th ST N Lethbridge . I feel this will have a negative impact for our business and would like to appeal this application. If I could get any information on how I can appeal this and prevent this site from opening at the above address. It would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks,

Tyson Bosch



<u>LETHBRIDGE, AB\_T1H\_2S9</u> <u>Office (403)</u> 328-9191 Cell (403) 715-5165 From: Devin Brown < <a href="mailto:devinbrown125@gmail.com">devinbrown125@gmail.com</a>>

Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 4:28 PM

To: David Sarsfield < <u>David.Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca</u>>

Subject: [External] Safe consumption site

I am extremely opposed to this

we don't need any more needles and debris in this area

We don't need more homeless in this area

We need a safe place for children to be able to go to school

And families to be able to go shopping without fear of getting attacked for money or property

So they can buy their next fix

Safe consumption sites only create problems for the community they do not help anyone

We don't need increase Crime in our city we have enough of it already

nobody wants to be confronted by a drunk Or high person when they're trying to do shopping / haircut or just run an errands

Thanks

Devin Brown

137 19 st North Lethbridge ab T1h3j7

Phone #. 4036350079

From: MARNEY BROWN <marneyb@telus.net>
Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2021 6:09 PM
To: David Sarsfield <David.Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] #DEV 12687

I am appealing this location for the HIV Site. This neighborhood has a Senior's Apartment very close and also there are 2 schools that have elementary kids, in close proximity. They will definitely be affected by the traffic and crimes of these types of people. Also, the Westminster Hall and pool will be affected by this. I have lived here all my life and this City is totally disgusting now with drug addicts, we need to find places that give them help not ones that enable it more and more. Just what we need more crime that comes with this type of place. I guess I am totally fed up with the reasoning that goes along with these decisions. If I could opt out of paying taxes for this I would. I have no patience at all for this type of facility after what the injection site did to our once beautiful City.

Marney Brown 246 Lettice Perry Road North Lethbridge, Alberta T1H 5M2 403-328-0055



# **Subdivision & Development Appeal Board**

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From: Rebecca&Rohan Crown
To: David Sarsfield

**Subject:** [External] Appeal of the Development Application #DEV 12687

**Date:** Tuesday, February 9, 2021 12:11:00 PM

### David,

My name is Rohan Crown and I live on 1808 7th Ave N and I am the Pastor of the Church at Amazing Grace Community Church 324-13th St N.

I am writing to appeal the above Development Application for location 422-13th St N for these reasons

- 1. The proposed services offered from the site are already services offered in the city at other locations. This is a supplication of services.
- 2. It's location is located in between 2 elementary schools in the area. As all my kids went to one of those schools (Westminster) there is already trouble with needle debris without having another needle distribution centre. I am afraid for the kids and families that send kids to those schools.
- 3. Is it wise to have a location that's services will directly affect business and residents in that area. Behind our church, for the last four years we have had to pick up hundreds of needles that are laying around in the alley.

Thanks for hearing my objections.

Rohan Crown



## **Subdivision & Development Appeal Board**

In accordance with sections 678 and 686 of the Municipal Government Act and The City of Lethbridge Bylaw 4749, an appeal to

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From: SatchiGabrielGold <SatchiGabrielGold@protonmail.com>

Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 8:45 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Development App # DEV 12687 Site at 422 13 St N

Dear Mr Sarsfield

Re: Development Application # DEV 12687 at 422 - 13 St N

I am writing as a concerned citizen of Lethbridge and a taxpayer to tell you how very opposed I am to the proposed "needle distribution site" at this location.

These proposed "services" are already offered in our city at multiple locations. This is a duplication of services, and I object to my federal and city tax dollars going to fund this.

This facility would concentrate illegal drug use around our fragile Northside SMALL businesses, and also the residences which are right behind this site, across the alley. The Aboriginal Senior's centre is nearby, as is the Westminster school; only 400 Meters away. This will also impact the North Side No Frills grocery store, and all the businesses in that shopping area, and numerous churches on 13th Street North. It will likely destroy the Johnny Bean Coffee Shop and other nearby businesses as we have seen happen with the disastrous "Safe Consumption Site" and it's affect on the nearby busineses.

In short, this is an extremely poor area of choice for such an activity. Perhaps you could find a site which is NOT nearby to schools, children's parks, and small businesses.

These sites attract drug dealers, and other petty criminals to the neighbourhood in which they are situated. If City Hall thinks they are such a great idea, then why don't they set up such a clinic in one of the offices at the City Hall? I am sure this would meet with great approval by the citizens of Lethbridge.

Thank you for your kind and speedy attention to this matter.

Yours Truly, Satchi Gabriel Gold 223 - 15 St N Lethbridge, AB

cell: 587-220-3457





# **Subdivision & Development Appeal Board**

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Appellant Information					
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From: Ms Liz <lcallinglast@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 5:05 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Appeal for 422 - 13 St N

Development App # DEV 12687 422 - 13 St N

The reason I am appealing this plan is because of the potential damage that will inevitably be done if this "resource center" is placed at this location. This area is an area of small business, residences and there are 3 elementary schools and a public pool within a 2 km radius. My main concern is the children. Dairy Queen and 711 have kids visiting all the time, especially in the summertime and they shouldn't have to deal with the runoff issues that these sites create. We saw crime jump by over 100% with the opening of the last site, why anyone would think it isn't going to happen again is naive. There needs to be way more forethought into where these places go, it shouldn't be in a mall type setting between 2 small businesses, one that offers syrian food and the other being an insurance group. It shouldn't be within walking distance of elementary schools and public pools. Residential houses shouldn't be sharing an alley with this place.. The last distribution center wrecked absolute havok in the last area and people didn't even go to school or live there , imagine what it'll do in this new location. Please, reconsider this building and look for something that isn't so close to hard working people and families who didn't ask to be thrust into a political issue.

Elizabeth A. Gorrell-Calling Last 830 9ST N LEHTBRIDGE AB T1H1Z5 403-360-8049





## **Subdivision & Development Appeal Board**

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- 1. The Application being considered is for a "discretionary use", and as such, requires, due consideration for whether or not that development is reasonably compatible with properties in that area;
- 2. The area in question has been acknowledged by the City of Lethbridge as an area where citizens expressed concern for assuring that pedestrian and cyclist safety was a primary concern. While the "Functional and Planning Design" report dated October 2020 was primarily focused on traffic issues, it is apparent that "safety" is clearly a concern for users in the area, particularly based upon high density for traffic movement in that area between 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North. The use in question will undoubtably create added traffic of pedestrians in various levels of capacity, posing a predicable risk for both users of the proposed resource centre and other users (pedestrians, cyclists, and motor vehicle users). Proposing that addicts in various levels of functioning be asked to access facilities on a high traffic, low pedestrian safety area can reasonably be expected to result in a high risk to users in that area.
- 3. To put it bluntly, the area in question, if allowed to invite users who can reasonably be predicted to be intoxicated and in a reduced level of capacity is to invite those users to a location of high risk of harm of injury and/or death arising from pedestrian/vehicle accidents;
- 4. Beyond the risks inherent in the location proposed, it is incumbent for the City, in considering a "discretionary use" to examine in some detail the potential impact upon the already established occupiers of property in that area. In light of the brutal impact of the COVID restrictions upon businesses, in particular, restaurants in Lethbridge, it would be a grotesque error to compound the negative pressures on those businesses to now invite what can reasonably described as highly dysfunctional users to congregate in that area, specifically considering the following users:
  - Tim Hortons;
  - Hong Kong Gardens;
  - Dairy Queen Restaurant;
  - Spring Rolls Restaurant;
  - Luigi's Restaurant;
  - Song Thuan Restaurant;
  - A-1 Pizza Restaurant
- 5. While restaurants are the most highly damaged businesses as a result of COVID, it is expected that the City would take into consideration that all retail businesses have been damaged by the COVID virus and will be struggling for sometime to overcome the immediate and lingering future impacts of the virus upon their businesses the proposed development will only exacerbate those difficulties;
- 6. The proposed development also immediately abuts residential users in the area, and is 650 meters from Westminster Elementary School, further exposing vulnerable children to both dysfunctional users of the facilities and an anticipated expansion of used needles in park facilities at the school and adjacent swimming pool and community area.

7. While the need to respond to addiction and associated risks to addicts resulting from their addiction is a worthy and necessary goal for our community, it is incumbent upon the City to both consider the welfare of those persons, and the general community to direct developments of this nature to be carried on in areas conducive to the needs of users of those facilities and also balancing the negative impacts of those users on those in the area. This development is inappropriate for both users and neighbors.

From: Brenda Hungrywolf <goeygirl@hotmail.com>

Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 6:57 PM

**To:** David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca> **Subject:** [External] Development App # DEV 12687

To the Secretary of the Subdivision and Development Appeal board, City clerk's office

I am a concerned citizen of Lethbridge and I would like this email to be heard as an opposition to Development App # DEV 12687 for 422 - 13 St N.

The proposed services to be offered at this location do not belong in a residential area, in an area of commercial business or in an area close to where children convene (Westminster school, Youth One and the Star Bound Dance school). As well the proposed services offered are already available in the city at multiple locations; this is a duplication of services that we as tax payers simply can't afford.

If this application is to go forward the City will be choosing to put the lives and safety of children and their families at risk. The City will be choosing to add to the issues already facing small businesses in this area.

Approving this application in this location or any location in a residential or commercial area will be detrimental to Lethbridge and its citizens. I implore you to consider the location and deny this application.

Sincerely,

Brenda Hungrywolf 294 Lettice Perry Rd N Lethbridge, Ab T1H 5T1 403-328-5930



# **Subdivision & Development Appeal Board**

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City of Lethbridge – Subdivision and Development Appeal Board

February 10, 2021

Re: Discretionary Use Application for 422 13 Street N for a resource centre. (DEV 12687).

Owning several buildings next door to the proposed HIV Community Link support services, has myself and several other's that operate their small businesses out of these buildings very concerned. We are very opposed to the City of Lethbridge to permit this service in this area. They are concerned about their business viability and what will happen to this block should this be permitted. Some of these small business owners do not have the ability to communicate well in the English language and have asked that I work on their behalf. For this reason I feel it is my responsibility to appeal the application submitted and trust the city will refuse it for good reason.

Working from 424, 13 Street North to 5<sup>th</sup> Ave N we have the Syrian Grocer - a new HALAL meat shop and grocer, 5 Star Hair Salon, Alaa Clothing, A1 Pizza, Church of Pentecost Canada, Top All Drywall, and Sinking Ships Embroidery. Every one of these businesses are new to this area and most are start-ups. Each have taken great risk to be there. Several of these small business owners are new immigrants to Canada as refugees from Syria or other developing or unrest locations. As a landlord, I have been very supportive of them as they work so hard and proudly start and run these new businesses in their new country and city. Lethbridge is where they are getting their first chance at a new life. To date they fully appreciate the efforts we have been making on improvements and to this block; working towards a cleaner, crime reduced, and ultimately more attractive street for business and shopping.

When my tenants heard and read up on what service was being proposed, they were not only shocked but very concerned how this will affect their businesses, customers, and neighbourhood. I have assured them this is NOT a Safe Consumption Site as at ARCHES, but due to the distribution of supplies they still announced their concern and stated the obvious. "It is appreciated that HIV Community Link will be providing a cleanup service within a two block radius, plus on-call cleanup, however that is proof enough that the consumption supplies such as used needles, pipes, condoms, etc are going to be discarded at the earliest opportunity wherever that might be."

HIV Community Link website, states their office "Provides safer sex and safer consumption supplies, such as new needles and pipes, as well as other harm reduction supplies related to safer drug use." They are not stating the anticipated volume, how it is going to be managed, and where these supplies will be used or discarded except that they will be open from Monday to Friday 10am to 6pm to call "...with detailed address and description. We will pick up needles and pipes along with any debris that may be present on both public and private property anywhere..." HIV Community Link also provides sharps containers and training sessions to recognize, collect, and dispose of drug debris. As these provisions are appreciated, they are also

indicative of concerns presented and why this use can by no means be allowed to open in this location.

HIV Community Link requires a final approval because of the discretionary use application. Being a street with a high density of retail services, including food services on three fronts, next door grocery, young families with children at three different churches within 100 meters, and not to mention residential sharing the same block, this is not a reasonable nor feasible location! Bottom line, we have vulnerable individuals of all ages and groups frequenting this area for shopping, living, schooling and entertainment. This is not a safe place for HIV infected needles and safe sex supplies to be left to chance. Children, passerbys and customers on the streets, sidewalks, back alleys, and residential neighbourhoods sharing this same block will be put at unnecessary risk and harm. A poorer location could not have been selected.

For these reasons, I appeal this application and rest assured that the City of Lethbridge, Council, and management appreciate the concerns mentioned. The property owners, business owners, and community centres jointly appeal this development and request refusal for this discretionary use. Approval would be both reckless and a portrayal of unprecedented lack of responsibility and concern by the City of Lethbridge for these local businesses and citizens.

Duane Indenbosch
Top Form Properties



## **Subdivision & Development Appeal Board**

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**From:** Kristy K <kkeul2002@hotmail.com> **Sent:** Tuesday, February 9, 2021 12:05 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Address to appeal against 422 13 st North and Development of APP# DEV 12687

#### Hi David

I am emailing to put in appeal of the address to appeal against 422 13 st North and Development of APP# DEV 12687 for the facility of a harm reduction site, HIV community link, and a needle distribution center. I don't think it would be a good idea for the area there is a school and old folks home plus my neighborhood. We don't need more crime and litter of needles contributing to the westminister area and our property values to be worth less because of this site. I believe people in this area will feel for their safety and piece of mind. There is already a mobile site for these issues and don't need a full-size place. I don't want my tax dollars towards this. Please take my opinion to oppose against this proposal in the works.

Thanks Kristy Keul 239 18 st North 403-634-5983 From: Designed to Dwell Event Rental <event.rental@dwellcollective.ca>

Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2021 8:06 AM

To: David Sarsfield <David.Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

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Subject: [External] Harm Reduction Site 2021

9 February 2021

Dear Mr. Sarsfield,

It has come to our attention via Lethbridge News Now that the city has approved plans for a harm reduction site to be opened at <u>422 -13th Street North</u>. As business owners of Dwell Urban Venue located at <u>418 13th Street North</u>, we are writing to appeal the approval of **Development Application #DEV 12687** and ask for your reconsideration on the matter.

It is troubling to us that this was never communicated to the business owners, homeowners, facility residents, and families of children who attend school in the area before the news story was released. We, who actively support and comprise the community, deserve to have a say in this matter. A harm reduction site in this location would put already fragile local businesses at risk of closure (as we witnessed happen to businesses surrounding the Supervised Consumption Site) and threaten the efforts of hardworking people who have sought to revitalize the North side of Lethbridge over the past number of years. Covid 19 has already compromised many of the business and families in this area and we implore you not to put our livelihoods and security at further risk.

For years we have been committed to the North side of Lethbridge and have worked at helping change the perception of this area. As a venue space we count on people feeling safe and with a harm reduction site as our neighbour, this simply would undo everything we have worked to build. I know our neighbouring businesses echo this feeling. The proposed services offered by such a centre are already available in our city and we feel the harm it will cause businesses and families is not worth it.

As active members of the North side community of Lethbridge, who love this area and wish to continue seeing it revitalized, we ask for serious reconsideration of the proposed development and your immediate attention to the matter.

Sincerely,

Owner, Dwell Urban Venue Cecilia Kurtz 418 13th St. North Lethbridge, AB T1H2S2 4033313993 From: Jane Nygaard <je.starr@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 11, 2021 12:23 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

**Subject:** [External] Young family

I have a home just 2 minutes away from this proposed needle site. I am so upset with the fact that this will be so close to the schools and young families. Did we not learn a lesson from the other site, it ruined businesses, it was awful? I know these people need help but you might want to do it closer to the industrial area. There are no young families, schools, or churches close by. Please let us think about this before we jump in again with a bad decision.

Thank you

Jane Nygaard 403 332-2655 1320 - 4 th Avenue North Lethbridge, Alberta From: lacey.paczkoski@hotmail.com <lacey.paczkoski@hotmail.com>

Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 6:12 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Resource Centre

Address to which I am appealing: 422 13th St N
Development App # DEV 12687

I am writing to appealing the opening of this centre. I personally own a business on 13th St N and I am tired of my place of service suffering because of places like this being opened. There is enough places like this opened all over the city.

- 1. My business has suffered because people don't feel safe coming anymore. They don't want to worry every time they go to or from their vehicles. My clients should be able to feel safe.
- 2. My staff are scared to be working alone or working in the evening. Why should my employees feel unsafe while at their place of employment? It also makes it incredibly hard to find staff willing to work there. As soon as they know the location (I have two studios in lethbridge) and they know it's the north location, they don't want to be there. Lethbridge businesses have suffered enough.
- 3. When I have to check for needles at the front and back of my studio each day before I take out garbage or open for the day, how does that make any sense? It's completely unacceptable and should not be something anyone should have to deal with.

Covid has forced many businesses to the brink of closure, opening another place like this, in this area of the city, will close far too many doors and we as a community need to stand together.

My contact info: Lacey Paczkoski Business Address: 227 13th St N

507.000.4744

587-220-4744

From: Lana Rausch <lanamr1969@gmail.com> Sent: Tuesday, February 9, 2021 6:31 AM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Appeal 422 13 st n

## Good morning David;

I want to appeal the application for 422 13 st north development application #12687. I do not want these proposed services in this area.

Sincerely Lana Rausch 403-795-2692 390 kodiak blvd n Lethbridge T1H 6T6 From: Josh Schlueter < joshschlueter87@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, February 11, 2021 6:41 PM

To: David Sarsfield <David.Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca> Cc: Josh Schlueter <joshschlueter87@gmail.com> Subject: [External] Re: Development 12687 - Appeal

Hello David

Please accept this as my appeal to Development 12687 at 422 - 13 St N

My name is Josh Schlueter- 615 12C Street N Lethbridge 403-360-1349

My reasons for appeal are as follows:

- 1. This is a duplicate service already offered in our city.
- 2. We seen arches start their journey with the same agenda as this group, and that was a bad operation
- 3. The location is very close to residential and schools.
- 4. This will hurt local businesses around it as the clients who will use their services will be of totally different opinions/ life style.
- 5. The group has a plan for distribution of needles but no plan for collecting them as we all know they end up in our alleys, sidewalks, parks etc a needle hotline does not do the trick, kids should NOT have to be looking out for needles and drug items and is citizens should not have to be calling for pick up, I have had to many times and it upsets me alot!
- 6. I personally live very close to this proposal site and I already deal with drug addicts in my alley. I will NOT tolerate anymore! I have young children and I will start to defend!

I hope this site approval is denied, as I know for sure the citizens will NOT allow it to operate and police and EMS will be very busy with this location.

I would like to believe our city council would know these services are highly unacceptable in our city.

We need real detox, rehab. We don't need more needles being handed out!

Thanks

Josh.

From: Moms Gmail <momsheen6@gmail.com> Sent: Tuesday, February 9, 2021 3:24 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Appeal 422 13 Street N

I am writing to add my name to appeal the proposal for this address, 422 13 Street North. I have many concerns with this proposal but mainly we do not need this in Lethbridge. It is a duplication of services and waste of our tax money. This will not benefit our community.

Thanks, Helen Sheen 1139 Glacier Drive South 403 915-2523 From: Jody And Brad Siemens <brad.jo@shaw.ca>

Sent: Tuesday, February 9, 2021 8:22 AM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] "Resource Center

#### Mr Sarsfield

In regards to development app # DEV 12687 address 422 13 St N The last thing this city of Lethbridge needs is another Needle Distribution Centre, especially one that has zero oversight and zero needle pick up plans. This is outrageous. All this does is make people think it's ok to consume drugs. I have lived in this city for over 20 years and have seen the disastrous effects and damage of needle consumption sites. I live close to the proposed site and do not want it close to my home with my kids. Our city needs money put to resources to help with addiction not promote it.

If I didn't know any better I'd think people behind the scenes want this city to be destroyed. I am very much opposed to this and I would like my name to go on record.

Concerned citizen of Lethbridge Jody Siemens 315 15 St N From: Sarah Steele <steele.sarah@gmail.com> Sent: Tuesday, February 9, 2021 3:48 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David.Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca> Subject: [External] Harm Reduction Centre Appeal

9 February 2021

Dear Mr. Sarsfield,

It has come to our attention via Lethbridge News Now that the city has approved plans for a harm reduction site to be opened at 422 13th Street North. As business owners of Dwell Urban Venue at 418 13th Street North, we are writing to appeal the approval of Development Application #DEV 12687 and ask for your reconsideration on the matter.

It is troubling to us that this was never communicated to the business owners, homeowners, facility residents, and families of children who attend school in the area before the news story was released. We, who actively support and comprise the community deserve to have a say in this matter. A harm reduction site in this location would put already fragile local businesses at risk of closure (as we witnessed happen to businesses surrounding the Supervised Consumption Site) and threaten the efforts of hardworking people who have sought to revitalize the North side of Lethbridge over the past number of years. Covid 19 has already compromised many of the business and families in this area and we implore you not to put our livelihoods and security at further risk.

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As active members of the North side community of Lethbridge, who love this area and wish to continue seeing it revitalized, we ask for serious reconsideration of the proposed development and your immediate attention to the matter.

Sincerely,

Sarah Steele

Owner, Dwell Urban Venue - 418 13th Street North

219 Jessie Robinson Close N Lethbridge, AB 403-715-8391 From: Jackie Tyslau <jtbrit8@gmail.com> Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 11:07 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca> Subject: [External] From very concerned citizen

Mr Sarsfield

In regards to development app # DEV 12687 address 422 13 St N

I'll be plain and blunt. The last thing this city of Lethbridge needs is another Needle Distribution Centre, especially one that has zero oversight and zero needle pick up plans. This is outrageous. I have lived in this city for over 40 years and have seen the disastrous effects and damage of needle consumption sites. If I didn't know any better I'd think people behind the scenes want this city to be destroyed. I am very much opposed to this and I would like my name to go on record.

Concerned citizen of Lethbridge Jackie Tyslau 2207 16 Ave S Lethbridge, AB, T1K 0Z7 403-315-5938 From: Michael Whiteford <mikewhiteford31@hotmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, February 9, 2021 2:00 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Development Application

This short statement is meant to stop the opening of "Resorce Center" located at 422-13st. North Lethbridge Alberta. Lethbridge as a community fought hard to shut down the SCS in Lethbridge by following the appropriate steps, the government shut this down and brought a mobile unit here to Lethbridge, and that should be the end of that story. Quite simply the city is opting to try and open another physicality on the northside near schools, seniors center, small businesses, and right in the heart of our community. This is completely unacceptable that Lethbridge would consider putting the residents of this community in a high risk situation. We wanted this out of our community for several reasons, but I will only mention a few of them. The crime in our city went through the roof, everywhere you go you have to be super careful as there are discarded needles all over the place. I used to take my son to the park at least 5 times a week, I stopped doing this because of all the needles and drug paraphernalia that I would find at the parks. ABSOLUTELY DISGUSTING AND WRONG. We stopped going out because we fear the violence and and getting pricked by needles and loaded syringes that there is proven documentation to support this. Senior citizens are terrified to go anywhere and have been attacked also documented incidents that have occurred. Seems the the city has their priorities backwards. It's a sad day when all the upstanding law abiding tax paying citizens have to put up with this, and we are not going to. We as such demand that this needle distribution centre does not open at 422-13 st. North Lethbridge (Development Application DEV 12687) at anytime. The province has provided what the city needs to help aid in this crisis already. As a concerned citizen I am appealing this application that it never goes through. Thank you for your time. If you require any more information as why this operation needs to be shut down before it starts again, I will be happy to flood you with that. My name is: Michael Whiteford my address is 523-19 street north Lethbridge Alberta t1h3k6. As you can see I am a resident of this community and have been for 25 years. My phone number is 1 (403) 593-8153 I do not want this in our Naborhood and neither do any of the nabors. Please hear our pleas and do the right thing. DO NOT OPEN THIS PLAGUE IN OUR COMMUNITY

**From:** Kaitlyn Wiebe <xsuperkaitx@gmail.com> **Sent:** Tuesday, February 9, 2021 9:51 AM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Appeal

Dear Mr. David Sarsfield,

We have read an article about the input of a harm reduction site close to our home. With deeps roots in this neighbourhood and a growing young family, We are devastated to read the location for this facility. The location of the address to appeal is - 422 - 13 St with the Development App # DEV 12687. This area is already flooded with issues, adding this would increase the problem and force us to move out of the area. Consider all young families while these decisions are being made.

Yours truly, Woodrow Higgins & Kaitlyn Wiebe 1606 10 Ave N



#### **NOTICE OF APPEAL**

## Subdivision & Development Appeal Board

In accordance with sections 678 and 686 of the Municipal Government Act and The City of Lethbridge Bylaw 4749, an appeal to the Subdivision and Development Board must be filed within the legislated time frame.

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From: W H < <a href="mailto:predator64@hotmail.com">predator64@hotmail.com</a>>
Sent: Monday, February 8, 2021 5:57 PM

To: David Sarsfield < <u>David.Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca</u>>

**Subject:** [External] Appeal

I am writing to voice my objection over my tax dollars being used to fund the proposed needle distribution facilty at 422 - 13 St N, Lethbridge. Development App # DEV 12687.

I believe this to be a completely unnecessary service that is already being offered elsewhere in the city. I do not want my tax dollars being used to make it more convenient for drug addicts to break the law.

Adolf H. Wolf 403.359.1461 294 lettice perry road north Lethbridge Alberta T1H 5T1 From: bree\_mc < bree\_mc@shaw.ca > Sent: Tuesday, February 9, 2021 2:21 PM

To: 110 Mayor Mailbox < <a href="mayor@lethbridge.ca">mayor@lethbridge.ca</a>; David Sarsfield < <a href="mayor@lethbridge.ca">David.Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca</a>;

health.minister@gov.ab.ca; lethbridge.west@assembly.ab.ca

Subject: [External] 13th St prevention

Good afternoon,

I am writing in support of allowing to zone the building on 13th street for the HIV prevention option. We as a community need to do more to support the at risk people. Instead of closing all options down. By closing the SCS the issues of overdosing, needles etc is higher than ever. I personally had to explain to my 4 children how someone is on the sidewalk overdosing. This city needs to take a far more aggressive approach to assist these community members. We need more detox beds, we need more treatment centres, we need to educate and assist with recovery. Housing for people recovering. This city looks down and judges when others don't meet the "expectations" that are considered to be "normal". Our community has a large homeless population and no where for them to go. These are human beings. How do you in City counsel sit there and turn a blind eye. This behavior is appalling and I am ashamed to say my family lives in this City. My family votes in 100% support of opening this site for supporting our community members. We continue as a community to let the past define our present. Do better and be better. Advocate for positive change for all community members.

Regards,

Brenna Kimura-Hayden.

My address is 46 Chilcotin Way W

My work address is 1513 3 Ave S

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From: Benita Ayarra <spfly@telus.net>
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2021 9:33 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Development Application # DEV12687 AT 422 - 13 Street N

Dear Mr. Sarsfield:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of how unhappy I am as a taxpayer and citizen of Lethbridge. I cannot believe the city is proposing to put a needle distribution site at the above location, and misdescribing it as a resource centre, as well as moving up the already short time period that was given to appeal this. This is very underhanded of the city, and is not unacceptable behaviour.

If this is allowed to happen it will totally demolish the 13 Street small businesses and the surrounding residential areas. Let's face it 13 th Street is scary enough already, and we should be planning on cleaning it up not adding more undesirable traffic. The city should be focusing on revitalizing it and making it into a historic shopping and service area similar to Inglewood in Calgary, not into an area people are scared to go shop at. Many of the small businesses will close, or move. The parking lot of No Frills will not be safe. The banks will probably end up moving. There is a significant older population who live in the area who depend on being safe when they go to these places and cannot afford to cab elsewhere.

The needle distribution centre's services are already offered at other facilities in Lethbridge. Why duplicate them? This is the same way Arches started out and look what happened there. It will turn into an SCS eventually, and the deaths due to opioid overdose are significantly down in the one year since closing Arches. They most likely will rise again. Vandalism and theft will increase in the area. People will be shooting up on residential curbs and leaving their needles everywhere. It is too close to Senator Buchanan and Westminster schools. There are also places of worship and seniors homes in the area.

It is better to spend money towards treatment programs and centres instead of enabling the addict. I would definitely prefer my tax dollars going towards this.

Sincerely, Benita Ayarra

98 St. James Crescent North 403-795-2828

From: Jodie Badura <missjbad@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 13, 2021 11:46 PM
To: David Sarsfield <David.Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] ATTN: DAVID SARFIELD

Re: Development Application # DEV 12687 at 422 - 13 St N

I am writing as a very concerned citizen of Lethbridge and a taxpayer to tell you how extremely opposed I am to the proposed "needle distribution site" at this location, misrepresented in the Herald announcement as a "resource center".

And the Herald said we had till the end of the month to appeal & here you are holding a meeting next week - what happened there? Citizens were given an extremely short time to respond to this - absolutely unacceptable.

These proposed "services" are already offered in our city at multiple locations. This is a duplication of services, and I object to my federal and city tax dollars going to fund this. May I point out, these previous sites have failed in the past and has been poorly managed. Wasted billions of taxpayers money carelessly.

This facility would concentrate illegal drug use around our fragile Northside SMALL businesses, and also the residences which are right behind this site, across the alley, down the street and in surrounding blocks already affected by havoc.

Elementary schools, dance classes, churches, seniors complexes and much more just blocks from this proposed location.

I am enraged at the amount of waste, needles, drug paraphernalia already existent in neighbourhoods so close to this location. My children exposed to people behind No Frills everytime they go to their grandparents (which is very often). They acknowledge the fact that we should wait until the "bad guys" move on before leaving/entering our vehicle because they are timid and afraid. Never mind the property theft and panhandling that occurs just down the street. 7-11, Greens Pop Shop, Taco Time, Tim Hortons, No Frills just to name a few business and customers affected by what already exists. If anything we need to discover a way to control the amount of illegal situations already going on rather than add and encourage to it.

It will likely destroy the Johnny Bean Coffee Shop and other nearby busineses as we have seen happen with the disastrous "Safe Consumption Site" and it's affect on the nearby businesses.

There is an organization focused on meetings for people getting clean off drugs just 3 doors down.

In short, this is an extremely poor area of choice for such an activity. Perhaps you could find a site which is NOT nearby to schools, children's parks, and small businesses. In fact, as there are other services available, why is another site even needed?

These sites attract drug dealers, and other petty criminals to the neighbourhood in which they are situated. Petty crimes I've experienced personally, even to the point we've placed locks on our gates entering our backyard which still doesn't stop thief's from entering our property to steal items (items put away out of sight) to sell/exchange for money. Bikes stolen from my sisters house just 3 blocks down. Never mind the invasions of privacy and our hard earned houses/possessions. This area is already a zone 10 according to LPS - the thought of adding to this area's troubles absolutely boggles my mind.

I want the application for this site denied.

From: Sean & Michelle Bailey <smbailey@shaw.ca>

Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2021 6:33 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] DEV12687 - opposed to 13th Street Harm Reduction Site

Hi David,

I understand tomorrow is the deadline to state opposition to the proposed 13th St. N. Harm Reduction site.

This site is 400m away from an elementary school. A 5 minute walk - plus another elementary school not much farther away

near 2 churches

This site would be next to residential areas and businesses large and small. I bet a lot of these small businesses on 13th are already suffering and this would finish them. This area is already suffering and I feel a site like this would decimate the area!

A lot of potential for needles laying around

There is already a safe mobile injection site at the shelter - it is ran like a clinic as it should be. Why double up?

There was a very visible decline in the desirability and safety of our city when the SCS was open across from Fit 4 Less and the public outrage was off the charts. The criminal element that it brought to our city was truly frightening and to be honest it was an embarrassment to say you lived in Lethbridge.

Since it closed the general public has been very happy - the downtown area is cleaner/safer - and yes its visible!

Please lets not go down this road again - please do not approve this application!

I do not want my tax dollars to go to a new 'party site' - we need to be focusing on rehab. If this keeps up I honestly don't even want to live here any longer...

Michelle Bailey



#### **NOTICE OF APPEAL**

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#### Reason for Appeal - Development 12687

The grounds for this appeal are as follows:

On Nov 25, 2016 four partners incorporated a business and purchased 418 13 ST N, the historical building two doors down from the proposed development of a new harm reduction site at 422 13 St N.

The new owners were excited to rebuild this 105 year old historical jewel in the heart of 13 Street North in Lethbridge. They were also excited to see revitalization come to this entire area of 13 Street North. The construction process took approximately one year, but when completed the building reclaimed some of the historical beauty it once had. It once again became a main hub in the community with a coffee house and café on the main floor, a community urban rental venue on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor and an entertainment escape room company in the basement.

In 2018 the building was designated as a municipal historic resource by the province of Alberta and named the Burgman Block. The Burgman Block development five years ago was the beginning of much revitalization to this area of 13th Street. There has been an incredible amount of investment by property owners within two blocks of the proposed tenant of 422 13th Street. If HIV community Link moves in, I believe it will be the end of the revitalization to this area.

I am both a property owner and a business owner on this block of 13th Street and I believe this location for a harm reduction site will have a catastrophic effect on the businesses and property owners on this street. I believe this harm reduction site will bring property values down and cause business to decline all along 13 Street because it will bring the clients of HIV community Link into this area of the city that is already struggling with homelessness and illegal drug distribution. HIV community Link will increase the level of homelessness and drug distribution in this area.

If you pass out free needles from this location, those receiving the needles will naturally want to inject their drugs sooner than later. The entire area around this location will be the newly desired places of injecting drugs. There are 2 schools with-in 3 blocks of this location and other schools nearby, the needles that are distributed by HIV Community Link are going to be disposed of behind our buildings and businesses and around these schools. There are also homes backing 422 13 Street N, they will literally have needles deposited in their back yards.

There are many small businesses along 13th street that have been going through challenging times because of Covid-19. As these small businesses are starting to get back on their feet, there literally could not be a worse location or worse timing to bring HIV Community Link to this area.

Last week I had to remove a lived-in make-shift shanty built by a gentleman behind my building at 418 — 13 street N. The female staff of the businesses in my building were parking at the back of the building and having a homeless man living there made them feel uncomfortable to go past his living accommodation to get to their cars. I loaded into a large refuse bin the plywood, metal, a mattress, a pack of unused needles and case from a Naloxone kit and removed them from site. I would also like to

mention that one of the business owners in our building had to call the police 3 times to ask the gentleman to leave the property. The police also had to remove a lived-in shanty from the roof of a neighboring business recently.

As a person who is heavily invested in 13th street and living on the North side, it is my recommendation for the City of Lethbridge to find a more suitable location for HIV community Link. There are other locations in Lethbridge already providing needles, I would also recommend more support to those existing programs and locations.

The North Side has been fighting perceptions of being a "less desirable location" to do business because of some of the issues listed above. As someone doing business on 13th street I can say for certain that this perspective has been changing and is trending in the right direction as seen by the huge investment in 13th street. To bring HIV community Link to this area of 13th street will further support the "less desirable location" perception. All the businesses in my building are dependant on foot traffic. If there are needles being handed out next to many small businesses, the perspective of this area will change and foot traffic will decrease.

I have a heart for those with addictions and have contributed heavily towards this cause by supporting Street Alive Mission. HIV community Link is a program from another city who does not know the demographics of our city. They could not have chosen a worse place to set up their programs.

I am asking the City of Lethbridge to deny approval for the development permit in this location at 422 13 Street N, Lethbridge.

Thank-you for taking the time to hear these concerns.

Jody Banda

Owner of 418 13 Street N.

Partner in Underground Escape (basement of 418 – 13 Street N.)

From: Designed to Dwell Interior Design <interior.design@dwellcollective.ca>

Sent: Saturday, February 13, 2021 4:24 PM

**To:** David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca> **Subject:** [External] Proposed Harm Reduction Site

9 February 2021

Dear Mr. Sarsfield,

It has come to our attention via Lethbridge News Now that the city has approved plans for a harm reduction site to be opened at <u>422 -13th Street North</u>. As business owners of Dwell Urban Venue located at <u>418 13th Street North</u>, we are writing to appeal the approval of **Development Application #DEV 12687** and ask for your reconsideration on the matter.

It is troubling to us that this was never communicated to the business owners, homeowners, facility residents, and families of children who attend school in the area before the news story was released. We, who actively support and comprise the community, deserve to have a say in this matter. A harm reduction site in this location would put already fragile local businesses at risk of closure (as we witnessed happen to businesses surrounding the Supervised Consumption Site) and threaten the efforts of hardworking people who have sought to revitalize the North side of Lethbridge over the past number of years. Covid 19 has already compromised many of the business and families in this area and we implore you not to put our livelihoods and security at further risk.

For years we have been committed to the North side of Lethbridge and have worked at helping change the perception of this area. As a venue space we count on people feeling safe and with a harm reduction site as our neighbour, this simply would undo everything we have worked to build. I know our neighbouring businesses echo this feeling. The proposed services offered by such a centre are already available in our city and we feel the harm it will cause businesses and families is not worth it.

As active members of the North side community of Lethbridge, who love this area and wish to continue seeing it revitalized, we ask for serious reconsideration of the proposed development and your immediate attention to the matter.

Sincerely,

Treena Banda

Owner, Dwell Urban Venue Treena Banda 418 13th street north 403-894-6234 www.dwellcollective.ca From: Kathy Best <kodakat@icloud.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 2:09 PM
To: David Sarsfield <David.Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Re: Development Application # DEV 12687 at 442 - 13 St N

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These proposed "services" are already offered in our city at multiple locations. This is a duplication of services, and I object to my federal and city tax dollars going to fund this.

This facility would concentrate illegal drug use around our fragile Northside SMALL businesses, and also the residences which are right behind this site, across the alley.

I live not 3 blocks away. When the SCS was open I was robbed & drug users were leaving their garbage everywhere - garbage & worse. Since the SCS has closed, undesirable traffic has reduced. Now the consideration of opening a needle distribution site even closer to my home enrages me.

There is an organization focused on meetings for people getting clean off drugs just a few doors down.

There is a senior complex not 2 blocks away.

The Aboriginal Senior's centre is nearby, as is the Westminster school; only 400 Meters away.

This will also impact the North Side No Frills grocery store, and all the businesses in that shopping area, and numerous churches on 13th Street North. As it is now, I DO NOT patronize 13th St Taco Time because of the 8 to 10 regulars that are always sitting at the front entrance shooting up. I barely (only when absolutely necessary) shop at Greens AND the 7-11 for fear of being attacked (like I have been in the past) by the addicts wanting money for a fix.

As a senior, it was comforting to know I had the amenities that I needed, in my neighbourhood. Now they are all becoming out of reach for me. I had bought and still live in the same home for over 20 years and will no longer feel safe here anymore. Unable to shop where or whenever I need to.

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In short, this is an extremely poor area of choice for such an activity. Perhaps you could find a site which is NOT nearby to schools, children's parks, and small businesses. In fact, as there are other services available, why is another site even needed?

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I want the application for this site denied.

Kathy Best kodakat@icloud.com

From: Lori Brewer < lbrewer@shaw.ca> Sent: Monday, February 15, 2021 7:20 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Proposed HIV site at 422 - 13 Street North

I have just learnt of the proposed HIV site at 422 - 13 Street North. I have numerous concerns regarding this and would like to voice the decision be appealed.

- There are schools, senior residences, personal residences, churches, businesses, boys & girls club, ice arena, pool, parks that would see further detrimental affects from yet another business passing out needles, condoms.
- We walk our dogs in the park at Logan Boulet Ice Arena, and we have seen clothing, human feces, condoms, needles, break in tools etc as well as witnessed vehicles being tampered with, properties being entered and personally have had our property broken into five times. The negative activity in the park in the 30 years we have lived on 9th Avenue North has increased by at least 80% in the last 5 years at all hours of the day or night. We have had to install locks on our gates and fences, install cameras and constantly monitor our surroundings.
- LPS in my opinion try to do all they can but there is just too much for them to have to deal with and can't be everywhere.
- It is stated they will pick up needle debris within a two block radius, it will far outreach a two block radius as we have already seen.

Wade & Lori Brewer (concerned Tax Payers)



## **NOTICE OF APPEAL**

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City of Lethbridge Subdivision and Development Appeal Board

Re: Development Application #DEV 12687 422-13<sup>th</sup> Street North

As a property and business owner on 13<sup>th</sup> Street North we strongly object to the opening of a needle distribution site as proposed for 422-13<sup>th</sup> Street North.

This is a commercial business area surrounded by schools and residences.

We purchased and developed our property on 13<sup>th</sup> Street North and then moved our business here from the industrial park to a more central location to increase business visibility and future growth. The last 5 years have brought significantly increasing crime activity fueled by the homeless and drug dependant individuals. We are constantly dealing with theft, vehicle break-ins and discarded needles and condoms. Equipment has been destroyed to steal \$5.00 worth of copper in order to support a daily drug habit. Public urination and defecation, graffiti, lighting fires and a newly planted tree cut in half with a machete are becoming the norm for this area. A 2-door cooler had to be sent for salvage due to it becoming a hot box for smoking drugs. We even had our Christmas lights stolen this year at 1:00 pm Christmas day!

Loitering, alcohol, and illegal drug use are a daily reminder of how our community has deteriorated as a result of these harm reduction sites. All the above activities will drastically increase if this proposed needle site is allowed to proceed. We have all seen the devastation brought to the business community as a direct result of the SCS site on 1<sup>st</sup> Ave South. We do not want to see lower property values, increased security costs and the safety of our customers and employees in jeopardy. You cannot cure alcoholism by allowing people to illegally carry open liquor and then set up resource centers through out the community to hand out clean glasses! Harm reduction has to be in conjunction with full time treatment and rehabilitation facilities. This is where government funding needs to be focused.

If our elected council strongly believes that SCS and needle distribution sites would enhance the safety and prosperity of a local community, then the obvious location should be City Hall.

Regard,

Mark Cameron 313-13<sup>th</sup> Street North Lethbridge, AB

403-320-6690

From: josh cyr <josh-skating@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 3:07 PM
To: David Sarsfield <David.Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Ruining the northside

I'm so appalled that you'd even consider placing that establishment over here to do what? Ruin the Northside even more? We have families with children that attend school literally 400 meters away that sounds like a brilliant idea? We have a seniors complex even closer. 422 13st north should not be a place to distribute needles so that kids can be affected and the seniors give your head a shake, move into our area for 1 week and see if you'd enjoy having that constantly outside your house. It's already bad enough there's constant needles laying around and people stealing from the residences around here . # DEV 12687 should not be allowed too move forward to ruin our lives even worse than they already are . My name is josh cyr my address is 1320 4th Ave north and my phone number is 403-359-0232 please feel free to contact anytime



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From: Lori < lori@westerntransportation.ca> Sent: Saturday, February 13, 2021 4:32 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Development application #12687 at 422-13StN

Attn David Sarsfield

I am writing as a very concerned citizen of Lethbridge and a taxpayer to tell you how very opposed I am to the proposed "distribution site"

Citizens were given an extremely short time to respond and it is absolutely unacceptable.

These proposed "services" are already offered in our city at multiple locations. This is a duplication of services, and I object to my federal and city tax dollars going to fund this.

My father lives at the senior apartment only half a block from this facility and already deals with break ins to his vehicle and unhealthy people milling around his apartment. It will not be safe for him to live there and walk across the street to get his groceries.

This facility would bring more illegal drug use around the adjacent Northside businesses, and also the residences which are right behind this site, across the alley.

Since the SCS has closed, undesirable traffic has reduced. People have moved on because they no longer have a free ticket to use and abuse our system.

There is an organization focused on meetings for people getting clean off drugs just 3 doors down. Promote and enhance that one instead of focusing on use. Focus on recovery.

The Aboriginal Senior's centre is nearby, as is the Westminster school; only 400 Meters away.

This will also impact the North Side No Frills grocery store, and all the businesses in that area. Didn't we learn enough from the previous site??

These sites attract drug dealers, and other petty criminals to the neighbourhood in which they are situated.

I am totally against approving funding or zoning for this type of site, there or anywhere in our city.

Lori Ellis Western Transportation Safety Consulting Ltd. 2825E 2 Avenue South Lethbridge, AB T1J0G8

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#### **NOTICE OF APPEAL**

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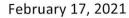


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Mr. David Sarsfield, Board Secretary Subdivision & Development Appeal Board City of Lethbridge 910 -4 Avenue South Lethbridge, Alberta, T1J 0P6

Re: Notice of Appeal, Development Application #12687, 422-13th Street North

Dear Sir / Madam:

On behalf of the Board of Trustees for the Holy Spirit Catholic School Division (HSCSD), please accept this letter as appended to the Notice of Appeal for the approved development permit #12687 for 422-13<sup>th</sup> Street North.

Our school division understands that the development application for this address is to allow for a Resource Centre for HIV Community Link organization. HSCSD has serious concerns regarding the safety and well-being of students should this development be permitted to move forward. First, St. Basil Catholic Church, which regularly serves the students and staff of St. Paul (Elementary) School, is a mere one block north. Further, St. Basil Catholic Education Center lies two blocks west of the church and is regularly frequented by staff and other guests in our community. The most serious concern lies with the children and students who are within walking distance of their school, where the potential exposure to used and contaminated syringes, for example, is significantly high. Elementary children are exceptionally vulnerable and should be guarded from potential exposure to social activity that can do harm, and protected from individuals who may exhibit harmful behaviors as an outcome of substance use. The map below illustrates the proximity to the identified properties:



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The grounds for the appeal of the development permit are as follows:

- 1. The identified address is in very close proximity to the areas in which students must walk to go to and from school each day increasing the risk of young children being exposed to possible undesirable circumstances, such as use of substances.
- 2. Since the closure of the Supervised Consumption Site, we have noticed a decrease in the drug paraphernalia on our school properties. Once this facility opens, the Division is fearful that there will be an increase in needle debris in our school yards, thus exposing our students to unnecessary health risks.
- 3. An increasing number of unhoused individuals are choosing to camp in locations around the St. Basil Catholic Church and in the strip mall a block from the church that contains Tim Horton's and No Frills. Individuals are sleeping in the alleys, and in doorways around the church. This is already an issue with the immediate community. The operation that will offer harm reduction strategies is likely to be a service highly accessed by individuals with substance use challenges, and subsequently further expose our students to unnecessary risks.

In Holy Spirit schools, we endeavour to develop and foster environments that are safe, caring and welcoming to our students and the greater Lethbridge community. However, if the community surrounding the school features a common gathering and resting place for individuals to actively use illicit drugs, we will be presented with a detrimental circumstance that will be harmful to our youth. In your consideration of the permit and this appeal, it is our hope that you place the health and well-being of children at the forefront of your decision. We are filing this appeal of development permit #12687 for the immediate protection of our students and children.

Thank you for considering Holy Spirit Catholic School Division's application for appeal of this development permit. If you have any questions related to this application, please contact Lisa Palmarin, Secretary Treasurer at 403-327-9555 or at palmarinl@holyspirit.ab.ca.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bob Spitzig,

Board Chair, Board of Trustees Holy Spirit Catholic School Division

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The grounds for this appeal are as follows:

In regards to a possible harm reduction site (422 13th Street North, Lethbridge) or any other place for that matter or whatever you want to name it, I am against. Lethbridge does not need more drug enabling services. Addicts, drug users etc need help, not handouts! Lethbridge is widely known as Meth-bridge, why then are we encouraging something that is an OBVIOUS problem. I am against any sort of site where they handout ANY drug paraphernalia whatsoever or allow drugs/illegal drug substances on site. This is so ridiculous, it should not even be an issue, but alas it is.

We seen what happened with the last center (SCS) and the needle debris so horrid and unacceptable all over our city. I am on constant lookout for drug paraphernalia as I'm walking around my neighbourhood, parks, parking lots etc. Living in a constant state of worry for my children's safety. I am against this site as the traffic in my neighbourhood picked up with the last site. I cannot let my children ride their bikes to the park as there was always needles, people sleeping in the slide, people "tripping"/"tweaking" around the neighbourhood, urinating wherever, and leaving their garbage and belongings where ever they felt like it (back-alleys, roadways, sidewalks).

I shop across the street from this location at least 2-3 times a week, and currently am asked for money in the parking lot, see people staggering about, having to ask people if they are okay as they are slouched over. I believe this traffic and behaviour will increase significantly if this site is approved. I'm tired of trying to go into a business and having to be let in by an employee because they have to safeguard their business and customers. I am against this site as businesses in the area will suffer and their staff as well, as already there are people sleeping/hanging out in and around the northside businesses in this area. I am tired of watching and explaining to my children why there is a guy yelling to himself on the sidewalk, or doing a "tweak" dance in the grocery store parking lot. They need help not handouts that encourage their use of drugs/or support their self-harmful habits.

**From:** Tim Klein <tsklein50@gmail.com> **Sent:** Wednesday, February 17, 2021 4:06 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>; 120 City Council Mailbox < council@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] proposed harm reduction site at 422 - 13 street north. App #DEV12687

Please take note that I am completely opposed to additional harm reduction services in Lethbridge which have been proposed to be established at 422-13 Street North, App #DEV 12687. AHS has fully functioning harm reduction services available in Lethbridge with access to recovery-oriented supports. I believe my tax dollars can be spent in a much more beneficial way than duplicating these services.

As a northside resident that enjoys walking in the neighborhood, my wife and I walk and do business in that area frequently, I am extremely concerned about such a facility starting up in my vicinity. I also find it distressing considering the social disorder created by the SCS site formerly located at 2nd Avenue South.

Far more resources need to be spent on reducing the harm that our formerly fair city and its tax paying residents have sustained from decisions made through this drug crisis.

Tim Klein 14717 - 25 Avenue North Lethbridge, AB



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From: L pat <plee9000@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2021 8:00 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] I vote "NO"

Dear Sir:

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Development app# DEV 12687

I vote "no"!

Why does government approval the drugs stuff or homeless programs to the city of Lethbidge?

We want the retire city fill with full of peaceful and no break in events.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Patience Lee 403-360-7198

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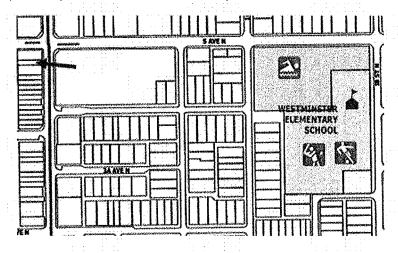
#### **Subdivision & Development Appeal Board**

The Secretary
City of Lethbridge
910 -4 Avenue South
Lethbridge, Alberta, T1J 0P6

Re: Notice of Appeal, Development Application #12687, 422-13<sup>th</sup> Street North

On behalf of the Board of Trustees for the Lethbridge School Division, please accept this letter as appended to the Notice of Appeal for the approved development permit #12687 for 422-13<sup>th</sup> Street North.

The School Division understands that the development application for this address is to allow for an HIV Resource Centre operated by the Calgary HIV Community Link organization. Lethbridge School Division has serious concerns regarding the safety and well-being of students should this development be permitted to move forward. First, there are elementary students from Early Education to grade 5 attending Westminster Elementary School in very close proximity two blocks away. Immanuel Christian Elementary School is within moderate proximity five blocks away as well as along a likely path of individuals heading toward services on the corner of 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. N. and Mayor Magrath Drive. Finally, Senator Buchanan Elementary School lies within 7 blocks. The most serious safety concern lies with the children who are within walking distance of their schools and the increased likelihood of harm reduction debris. See map below for proximity to Westminster Elementary School:



It is understood that the purpose of the site, an HIV Community Link Resource Centre, is to provide support services to individuals affected by HIV and hepatitis C, as well as vulnerable populations, such as individuals who inject drugs, who are at risk. Lethbridge School Division recognizes the value of this

service, but are compelled to appeal a development permit given the proximity to schools and the increased risk to students. One of the roles of a HIV Community Link resource centre is to distribute safer consumption supplies. The grounds for the appeal of the development permit are as follows:

- 1. This address is in very close proximity to the areas in which students must walk to go to and from school each day increasing the risk of young children being exposed to dangerous harm reduction debris such as needles.
- 2. There has been a noticeable decrease in the drug waste on our school yards since the closing of the safe consumption site. The Division is concerned that there will be an increase in needle debris in our school yards given the close proximity of access to injection supplies.
- 3. It is understood that an HIV Community Link Resource Centre is not a consumption site, but at the same time, the distribution of safe consumption supplies has the potential of increasing the walking traffic of individuals seeking supplies. As well, it increases the possibility of individuals seeking a location to use the supplies. Westminster Elementary school currently deals with individuals on the school yard during the school day that are actively using drugs or are under the influence of drugs. These individuals may be passed out, belligerent, confused, eliminating bodily fluids and other unexpected behaviours. The Division has taken steps to actively deter community using the school yard in this way.
- 4. Weather permitting, an increasing number of unhoused individuals are choosing to "camp" in locations around Westminster Pool, school grounds, and in the mall a block from the school that contains Tim Horton's and No Frills. People are sleeping between the dumpsters, and in doorways. This is already an issue with the immediate community. The HIV Community Link Resource Centre has the potential to be a service highly accessed by individuals with substance use challenges, and subsequently further expose our students to unnecessary risks.

Our schools work to actively create a school environment that is Safe, Caring and Welcoming to our students and the larger community. In your consideration of the permit and this appeal, it is our hope that you place the health and well-being of children, the most vulnerable in our society, at the forefront of your decision. We are filing this appeal of development permit #12687 for the protection of our students.

Thank you for considering Lethbridge School Division's application for appeal of this development permit. If you have any questions related to this application, please contact Christine Lee, Associate Superintendent, Business Affairs at 403-380-5307 or <a href="mailto:Christine.lee@lethsd.ab.ca">Christine.lee@lethsd.ab.ca</a>.

Sincerely,

Christine Light, Chair Lethbridge School Division

**Board of Trustees** 

From: allan lillemo <albertafortune@hotmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, February 13, 2021 4:07 PM

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Allan Lillemo 1424 3 Ave. N. Lethbridge, AB

403-382-1487

From: Sue Lillemo <alillemo@hotmail.com> Sent: Saturday, February 13, 2021 3:57 PM

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Susan Lillemo 1424 3 Ave. N. Lethbridge, AB

403-327-1210

From: Jacquie Lyon <jacquie.lyon@yahoo.ca> Sent: Saturday, February 13, 2021 7:15 PM

**To:** David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca> **Subject:** [External] 422 13st north development

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Kind Regards, Jacqui Lyon Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android



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I am tired of having needle and drug paraphernalia in our alleys. Not to mention that people have been using the alley as their own "private" toilet facilities. I have had to call the LPS to remove a person in "mid toilet" right next to my garage!

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Please don't make the north side into a slum.

I want the application for this site denied.



From: Laurie Manning <l.manning@hotmail.com> Sent: Thursday, February 18, 2021 10:53 AM

To: David Sarsfield <David.Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>
Cc: 120 City Council Mailbox <council@lethbridge.ca>
Subject: [External] Harm reduction/needle distribution site

Hello,

I am writing this letter to appose the new harm reduction site at 422-13 st n Lethbridge. Development App # DEV12687

I at the age of 60 finally was able to purchase my own home. One week after I moved in I was informed of all the drug activities that go on in our neighborhood here on the north.

I then became a prisoner in my home due to the activity that went on around me.

I have had to change the landscape of my home to open up visibility, as drug users would hide beside my home to do drugs, urinate and whatever else they chose to do. All the while dropping their garbage and drug paraphernalia wherever they care to, directly endangering my dog as it would blow into my yard for his chewing pleasure. Forcing me to go into my yard and pick it all up to help his stay healthy.

Not to mention having items stolen from my yard.

This neighborhood finally became a bit safer after the safe consumption site was removed.

Now you are going to make me live in fear again with this Harm Reduction site.

What about all the people that will be harmed because of this program in our neighborhood.

We are hard working tax paying citizens and this site is going to cause us great harm.

Schools, Aged home facilities, Small businesses and families are all going to be very affected by this site and location.

This program is already offered in many locations in Lethbridge.

With this site you will be spreading harm in our neighborhood not giving us harm reduction.

I strongly Appose the Development of application # DEV12687 at 422 -13 st N Lethbridge.

My name is

Laurie Manning my address is

637-16st N Lethbridge

Thank you for your time and I hope consideration for the safty of the hard working tax paying citizens of the North side of Lethbridge.

Sincerely, Laurie Manning From: info <info@shotz.ca>

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 17, 2021 9:15 AM **To:** David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

**Subject:** [External] Appeal of development permit 422-13St S

Good morning, I am writing to voice my objection to the application to permit the use of 422-13 St S. as a Resource Centre for HIV link. Having a needle distribution in this location would be detrimental to the neighborhood. The availability of needles to persons addicted to narcotics would lead to an influx of undesirable traffic, loitering, medical waste and criminal activity. Regardless of the intentions of the operator, site security does nothing to assuage the fears of local business and residents. We have seen this before in the case of the SCS operated by Arches. Individuals will access the services then immediately look for a spot near by to consume their substances. The needle debris will be immense and clean up proposed will only operate within certain hours and does nothing for residents that will have to deal with the increased waste in off hours.

I think a better placement is on city property that is far enough away from local business, residence, schools and daycare operations. Another option would be to combine the HIVCL with existing services in a location that has already been deemed suitable to provide the services proposed.

This will have a very negative effect on the neighborhood.

Sincerely,

James Maxwell 1120- 2 Ave S Lethbridge, Ab From: Valerie Mcquaid <riverhawk50@hotmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, February 13, 2021 7:58 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

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Valerie Mcquaid



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From: Liz Moradel <jejel7@shaw.ca> Sent: Monday, February 15, 2021 5:22 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Harm reduction sight 422-13str.N Lethbridge

Attention David,

To who this may concern for the develop application ..

# DEV12687

As a resident of Leth for 56 years..

I am and my husband are very concerned at this proposal!

Did you even pay attention to the last facility we had here how it was such a ridiculous amount of transient people all over the North side of our city ?...

Constant litter of used needles in private residence yards, lanes.. parks! Without a rehab facility?

This facility would concentrate activity again around fragile - -

- Northside businesses,
- -Residences that are right behind (across the alley )
- -A seniors facility

& also

- only 400 m from Westminster elementary school!

All of these reasons .. as above I stayed and personally appealing for being affected by needles in our own grandchildren's back alley and yard & park!

That is not helping our neighbourhood!

The proposed services offered are already available in our city at multiple locations this is a duplication of services federally funded by our tax dollars!

During COVID-19 there doesn't need to be another thing that puts pressure on our community!

The users need help! Rehab! Not needles!

Liz & Jose Moradel

1221 -8 Str 4036349300 From: Jennifer N < neuberger68@hotmail.com> Sent: Saturday, February 13, 2021 4:43 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

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From: Jeff N <jeepguy71@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 13, 2021 8:56 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Development Application #DEV 12687 at 422 13 street N

As a long time resident and home owner in the Senator Buchanan subdivision I am quite concerned about the application for this "resource" to our neighbourhood.

There are many schools nearby:
Westminister Elementary 4 Blocks away
Senator Buchanan Elementary 6 blocks away
Galbraith Elementary 9 blocks away
Immanuel Christian 9 blocks away
Wilson Middle School 11 blocks away
St Paul's 11 blocks away

As well as 3 daycares: Busy Butterfly 4 blocks away Odyssey Childcare 6 blocks away Hemel House 4 blocks away

My children walk and bike to school. We don't need this.

Not to mention it's smack dab in the middle of a residential area that has already seen more than it's fair share of the element that this site will draw.

We've seen issues in the neighbourhoods with "services" like this being. Increased theft, vandalism, break ins, and more violent issues. They have no place in a residential area.

I would implore you to reject this application on behalf of all the residents and businesses in the area.

We don't need or want this.

Thank you,

Jeff Niwa 825 Stafford Dr. N From: Cindy Pontarollo <cindypontarollo@yahoo.ca>

Sent: Saturday, February 13, 2021 1:23 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

**Subject:** [External] Resource Center for HIV Community Link

Dear Sir,

I wish to go on record saying NO to this development in North Lethbridge. In my opinion, Lethbridge City Council, has treated the north part of the city ,especially the area between the areas of 1 Ave N to 9 Ave N, Stafford Drive N. to 26 th St, N, like a slum area ,We have had enough of the break ins ,stolen personal property ,damage to vehicles ,garages. Find another part of the city to ruin. There are enough emptied places around in the smaller communities, where most of the targeted clientele came from.

I pay my taxes to help keep my community safe and free from crime. This City Council has destroyed the North. Thank you for your time.

CM PONTAROLLO cindypontarollo@yahoo.ca



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**From:** CARISS MCCRANK <cariss@shaw.ca> **Sent:** Monday, February 15, 2021 4:43 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

**Subject:** [External] Development Application #DEV12687 - URGENT

Importance: High

Good afternoon,

RE: Development Application #DEV12687 at 422 13 St. N. Lethbridge, AB

I am writing this letter as an extremely concerned and angry taxpaying citizen of this city. I would like to tell you how opposed my family is to the proposed "needle distribution site" or "harm reduction site" at this location. It is my understanding that the Lethbridge Herald announced this would be a "resource centre" but we all know what this is going to wind up being. I also find it extremely unacceptable that at first the Herald said we had until the end of the month to appeal, and here you are holding a meeting next week suddenly. That seems very convenient to me, trying to pull the wool over the eyes of your citizens and do things quietly so people can't or don't have enough time to oppose this??

The proposed services being offered at this organization are already being offered at a number of different locations throughout the city. This is a duplication of services and I object to my tax dollars being used to fund such a place.

As a homeowner in the Westminster area, we have experienced first hand the devastation, crime, theft and vandalism the SCS brought to our neighborhood when it was open. On a daily basis we had strangers walking through our yard, trying to enter our home, breaking into our garage and vehicles and I've even found people SLEEPING in our vehicles after having broken into them. We had to invest thousands in a home security system and cameras, and we no longer felt safe to do anything in our neighborhood. It was not safe for our son to play in his backyard. We put locks on the gate, they jumped the fences. Nothing we did stopped them. There were hundreds of people a day, high on drugs and drunk, walking past our home. There were uncapped used needles strewn about our alleyway that I would have to clean up myself, because nobody would come pick them up, and we have a CHILD who could have been poked by a dirty needle.

We have owned our home in this area for over 15 years and there was never anything like this happening before the SCS opened, and magically, since the SCS closed, we haven't had a single issue on our street. The regular stream of inebriated individuals has stopped. The vandalism has stopped. The needles have stopped. The theft has stopped. We no longer fear for our safety if we have to go out at night. I no longer worry about my home being broken into while we are sleeping. We can BREATHE again. Pretty sad that for three years we couldn't even be safe in our own home.

Bringing such an organization back into our community will be devastating to homeowners, renters, and the business owners who own businesses in the area. These businesses are already struggling and this will put most of them out of business. This will decrease our property values immensely. This will kill businesses that our city needs, that our citizens need, and that those business owners need to feed their own families. This will put hardworking people out of business.

I am not opposed to a harm reduction site, but it needs to be strategically placed so as to not harm the other citizens of Lethbridge as well. It needs to be away from businesses, schools, and residential homes. It needs to be done in the appropriate manner, and this is not it. But I also wonder, why do they feel there is a need for this new site? There are multiple other programs and organizations who are already dealing with these issues.

Take what lessons you learned from having the disaster SCS in our city, and make use that knowledge. Remember what it did to our city, to our community. It should be a no-brainer that a

residential neighborhood, with a SCHOOL less than 4 minutes walk away, would not be an appropriate place for this. The fact that this is even being considered to be allowed, is absolutely enraging for us.

We DO NOT want this in our neighborhood. We DO NOT want any more of this in our city.

Sincerely,

Cariss Roncalio 403-360-6347



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From: russill@telusplanet.net <russill@telusplanet.net>

Sent: Sunday, February 14, 2021 8:37 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Re: development Application # DEV 12687 at 422 13 street North

Att: David Sarsfield

In regards to this application #Dev 12687 at 425 13 st North, I am against this coming into this area. When the safe consumption site was up we had so much more crime and break ins and violence, now that the city wants to open another one our homes and safety is at risk once again. I live at 425 12b st North, the value of our property will suffer as well as our safety. Maybe you should think about moving it into your neighbourhood.

I believe our city needs to get back to the way it was, not the reputation of Methbridge. This used to be the city that people wanted to move to and raise their families not anymore. Also they are two drug house across the alley from the proposed site.

It's time for our City to stand up and protect its citizens.

Kathy Russill

Re: Development Application # DEV 12687 at 422 - 13 St N

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I have a small business not 3 blocks away. When the SCS was open I was robbed & drug users were leaving there garbage everywhere - garbage & worse. Since the SCS has closed, undesirable traffic has reduced. Now the consideration of opening a needle distribution site even closer to my business enrages me.

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There is a senior complex not 2 blocks away.

The Aboriginal Senior's centre is nearby, as is the Westminster school; only 400 Meters away.

This will also impact the North Side No Frills grocery store, and all the businesses in that shopping area, and numerous churches on 13th Street North.

It will likely destroy the Johnny Bean Coffee Shop and other nearby busineses as we have seen happen with the disastrous "Safe Consumption Site" and it's affect on the nearby busineses.

In short, this is an extremely poor area of choice for such an activity. Perhaps you could find a site which is NOT nearby to schools, children's parks, and small businesses. In fact, as there are other services available, why is another site even needed?

These sites attract drug dealers, and other petty criminals to the neighbourhood in which they are situated. This area is already a zone 10 according to LPS - the thot of adding to this area's troubles absolutely boggles my mind.

I want the application for this site denied.

From: larry russill <larussill@live.ca>
Sent: Sunday, February 14, 2021 8:25 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Development application #12687 at 422 13 street north

I copied and pasted this from Sue Lillemo on FB!! Come on Lethbridge: North South and Westsiders we need to stand together on this and get it denied!!!!

This is my email to <a href="mailto:david.sarsfield@lethbridge.ca">david.sarsfield@lethbridge.ca</a> Copy & tweak it if you like - just get it in before Tuesday night. "ATT: David Sarsfield

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I live at 425 12b at north and am against this business in our area. Larry Russill

Sent from my iPhone



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From: Kei Sampson < keikensampson@hotmail.com> Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 10:45 AM

To: 120 City Clerk Mailbox <cityclerk@lethbridge.ca>; 110 Mayor Mailbox <mayor@lethbridge.ca>;

David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

**Cc:** Blaine Hyggen <Blaine.Hyggen@lethbridge.ca>; Jeff Coffman <Jeff.Coffman@lethbridge.ca>; Jeff Carlson <Jeff.Carlson@lethbridge.ca>; joe.mauro@lethbridge.ca; belindacrowson@lethbridge.ca; Rob Miyashiro <Rob.Miyashiro@lethbridge.ca>; Mark Campbell <Mark.Campbell@lethbridge.ca>; Ryan Parker <Ryan.Parker@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] 422-13 Street N Appeal Dev #12687

We are writing today to register our opposition to the development of a "harm reduction/needle and condom distribution site" at the above address.

As has been well proven before with the very expensive and now defunct Safe Consumption Site this type of facility is detrimental to the safety of the citizens of Lethbridge and to the businesses in the surrounding neighborhood. To spend more of our tax dollars on services that already exist in the city is a waste of funds. Tax money would be better spent on detox programs and therapies to assist the addicted with changes that would allow for a sober and far less risky lifestyle.

Yours truly Kei and Ken Sampson 2905 Lakeview Drive Lethbridge, Alberta T1K 3G2 From: Kevin Carmellia Saretzky <ksaretzky@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, February 14, 2021 12:05 PM

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We live close to Westminister School and when the last site was opened we had nothing but problems in our neighborhood. When the SCS was open we had our garage and home broken into many times. Most times the Police wouldn't even come. Our minivan was vandalized and then a month later after we paid for repairs, stolen. Three days later the police arrive to say to bad, it is probably already stripped. & drug users were leaving their garbage everywhere - garbage & worse. Needles, used condoms, underwear, clothes 1/2 eaten food.

Our Autistic son takes the bus to and from work and has had to run from the bus to the house to avoid being harrassed by individuals. Since the SCS has closed, undesirable traffic has reduced. Now the consideration of opening a needle distribution site even closer to my home enrages me.

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This area is already a zone 10 according to LPS - the thought of adding to this area's already run down state will only cause property values to diminish and businesses to leave. I bet my taxes won't diminish. Maybe the city should pay us to put up with this kind of persons a new site will attract.

I want the application for this site denied. And the area zoned that a site like this cannot EVER be situated within 3 kilometers of schools and businesses.

Carmellia and Kevin Saretzky Travis Saretzky From: NICK SHEEN <nicksheen@shaw.ca> Sent: Saturday, February 13, 2021 5:33 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Development Application #Dec 12687 at 422 - 13 street north

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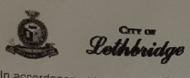
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From: Wayne Shimoda <wshimoda@telus.net> Sent: Monday, February 15, 2021 3:31 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Cc: Lynda Shimoda < lshimoda@telus.net>

Subject: [External] Development App #DEV 12687

Dear Mr. Sarsfield,

I am writing to APPEAL the resource center at 422- 13 St.N., Lethbridge, Development App # DEV 12687!

It is a deep concern of mine that with shutting down the SCS there are always going to be alternatives popping up! With the lack of success of the SCS and the addicted it brought into our city, I am appalled there would be even a concideration to another site similar to the before stated. I have read what it is about and it will be just another site to assist the addicted in their addiction with no success!! This liberal way of trying to help the addicted is not helping but enabling.

I'm not sure if you have children, but we that do, know that you give them everything they want they will just continue on a road that may lead to addiction or even destruction. It is not good for any human to get what he craves and for free at that, in the name of protection. What we need is centers opened to rehabilitate and not just enable. Any addicted I know would not get the help they need by these centers that you are wanted to bring in. It is disgusting that we are putting all our hard earned tax dollars into just assisting them in their addiction rather then getting them off it. I saw a documentary at the Vancouver site and they interviewed a woman who had been, heavily addicted (free now) and living even in their tent city. She said it was the worse possible thing to just come along side the addicted and give them clean needles etc. It was just

enabling them. (I can't remember how she got free). We have gone down this way before and it just brought the addicted all here and now we have one of the highest crime rates in Canada!! All because of the SCS. This site will be no different, even though there is slightly different language used. This is not a city, nor is any city a place to have a site like you are proposing. We have children we are raising, young families getting established, and every one of this lovely city's residents to care for and leaving them all behind to so called, "help", the addicted isn't right.

I would go as far to say as it's immoral. We have worked hard to have a wonderful safe city and it is not safe anymore because the crimes being committed every night, theft every night, and I'm sure assaults and domestic fights have skyrocketed alongside the rise in addiction in our city. It is unfair and mean to allow them to continue their nightly scrimmages while we lay fearful at night, not wanting to let our kids outside nor any of our "toys", for fear of the theft increase. I have compassion for them but not at the expense of compassion for the rest of the citizens and not at the expense of our hard earned dollars being taken via theft! So I am adamant this proposition you are promoting should be shut down immediately before it begins.

The proposed services are already available in the city at multiple locations. These are our hard earned tax dollars.

Thank you for listening to the concerned and very tired citizens who have been fighting against the crime and the SCS and now the Resource Center,

Thank you again,

Sincerely,

Lynda Shimoda - 4218-22 AVE S

From: Wayne Shimoda <wshimoda@telus.net> Sent: Monday, February 15, 2021 7:17 PM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Appeal to development app #DEV 12687

#### Dear Mr. Sarsfield

I am writing to appeal the proposed resource centre at 422 13 st North Lethbridge.

The resource centre would be a replay of the safe consumption site that was at the downtown centre. That caused the residents of Lethbridge a lot of heartache for the law abiding citizens of Lethbridge. Coworkers and even myself had to deal with drug addicts breaking into vehicles and into back yards threatening ordinary citizens. We have enough crime in our city without adding to the mix of needles on the streets jeopardizing our children.

Why do ordinary citizens have to pay the price through higher crime and higher taxes to pay for all of this.

Please review this appeal.

This is just enabling the addiction at our expense. We know with the SCS that it caused Lethbridge to be one of the top crime sites in all of Canada.

Rehabilitation is the answer and we delay the inevitable by enabling the addict and jeopardizing public safety Thank you for your consideration.

Wayne Shimoda 4218 22 avenue south Lethbridge 4033209451 From: angie smid <strawberrygirl73@msn.com> Sent: Sunday, February 14, 2021 8:49 AM

To: David Sarsfield < David. Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Re: Development Application #DEV 12687 at 422- 13 St N

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I have a 17 yr. old son that works at No Frill's and I'm constantly concerned for his safety already without the addition of yet another site that will attract undesirable traffic. If your ever in that area around 9:30pm (which isn't that late at night) you would see why it can be unnerving as it is to be in that area. This is typically the time I pick my son up from work and purposely try not to be there much before he is done as I've have undesirable people approach me and my vehicle, I see people wondering that are obviously on drugs, buying drugs, coming to vehicle and asking for money ...... the list goes on. I hear stories every time my son is off work of how he has to follow and watch people in the store that are stealing or acting strange as they are high, how he has to try and stop them from leaving with the items in their clothes, bags, how he gets sworn at, swung at, called derogatory names as he is just trying to protect the business he works for from suffering from more loss.

It's tough for businesses with people under the influence coming into businesses, stealing, causing scenes, making other customers uneasy to be there and having yet another site will only hurt businesses more by keeping customers, workers away and having to deal with the fall out of it all. The loitering, littering, needles laying around, stealing etc.

Adding this new site will likely destroy the Johnny Bean Coffee Shop and other nearby businesses as we have seen happen with the disastrous "Safe Consumption Site" and it's affect on the nearby businesses.

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I want the application for this site denied.

Angie Smid

47 Cougar Rd N Lethbridge, AB



### **NOTICE OF APPEAL Subdivision & Development Appeal Board**

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February 11, 2021

To: Mayor Chris Spearman
All City Councilors
David Sarsfield

RE: Application for 422 13 St N Lethbridge for HIV Harm Reduction plans.

Dear Mayor & Councillors,

I am writing this covering letter at this time to explain the attached letters. The 1st letter is written by myself explaining my (& everyone I have spoken to) opinions on this Harm Reduction plan. The 2nd letter was written by the SAAMIS Employment & Training Centre at this address.

I am asking that this application be declined for the many reasons I have stated in my letter.

We need to get people off the drugs, not enable them.

This is not acceptable. The whole needle issue was one of the early problems of the SCS. Bad trips, open use, needle debris. That is just the beginning. Throw in the increase in crime in an area that is already plagued by crime & this becomes another nightmare... just like the SCS.

The Police budget was cut by a \$1,000,000.00 & now this... which will undoubtedly increase the crime rate. .... In a city where crime is already a huge problem. (which has been well documented in the past)

Please read the attached with an open mind & do what is best for our city. DECLINE THIS APPLICATION & any future attempts for this type of "RESOURCE CENTRE".

The manner in which this was handled by the city development dept is disappointing. Trying to sneak this past the public - then too late to stop it...not a good look.

3 little words come to mind.... DO WHAT'S RIGHT.

Thank you for your time & look forward to hearing the good news that this organization is not getting set up in Lethbridge now & forever.

From some very very concerned, tax-paying citizens.

The following list is who I am giving this info to, besides Mayor & Council & Mr. Sarsfield:

Nathan Neudorf MLA Lethbridge East Rachael Harder MP Lethbridge

The Lethbridge Herald Royal LePage South Country Real Estate February 11, 2021

To: All City of Lethbridge Councillors

Re: HIV plan for Harm Reduction

Dear Councillors,

So, recently in the news... More Harm Reduction Plans for Lethbridge.

Please do not consider allowing this organization to set up shop for Harm Reduction via: needle program, sex education, etc.

I don't have a problem with the sex ed part of their plan, but the NEEDLES... NOT ACCEPTABLE.

This plan is to set up business on 13 ST N...Really? Does this area not have enough undesirable activity. So, let's make it worse?

There are 2 elementary schools very close to this location, not to mention a pool & parks. Banks & small businesses are already trying to deal with this segment of our population. So, again, let's see if we can make it worse... Did we learn nothing from the SCS fiasco? There is an overdose bus at the shelter daily. ABOUT 4 BLOCKS AWAY... Is this not sufficient? The Northside has enough negative activity. You think that moving this into our neighborhoods won't make life so much worse for so many people. A lot more people that this will help. I can see it now,,,,needles everywhere & even more loitering & open drug use.

This needle supply is not necessary.... If someone is going to inject some illegal drugs & they are on the southside... you actually think that they are going to walk all the way to this place & then inject...NO! Maybe next time they will get a clean needle...so, my thinking is if they don't use the new needles EVERY TIME, what is the point? Chances are they will still get the diseases that HIV is trying to prevent. Same for the condoms for STD's. If they are not in the area, then they will have sex without the condom. Maybe next time they will get the condoms... Again, what is the point then?

Even the current organization in this building says that they have major problems now, sleeping on their roofs etc. & states that this service would make the area much much worse!

This organization should not be allowed to operate in any part of the city. Not North, Not South, Not West... just NOT!

Then I see a tiny ad in the paper regarding appealing this application for approval. In the same ad was for a garage on the west side. WOW, you really think these are in the same category for public concern? It would appear that the city was trying to slip this application for approval past the general public. And then to make it even worse, the Harm Reduction Site was described as

a "RESOURCE CENTRE". OMG ! Is this how you got the SCS approved. Blatant cover-up & misrepresentation to the public? SHAME ON YOU!

And don't get me started on my opinion of this opportunist realtor that owns this building! Unscrupulous & greedy behavior at the expense of the citizens she is supposed to be looking after as a realtor. Again, SHAME ON HER!

I know they are waiting for approval, PLEASE DO NOT GIVE YOUR APPROVAL! DO WHAT'S RIGHT! FOR US!

There is an election this fall, since many of you may not be in your current position after the election, please don't approve & leave the fallout of your poor decision to be dealt with by the new Mayor & council. PLEASE.

I have a prediction ,,,,, I see some more rallies & protests on your doorstep in the future... & I & many people I know (north & south side citizens) will be attending & making a lot of noise!

We already have a larger crime rate than most cities our size, this would make it worse, much worse!

We are getting sick & tired of the social experiments that other cities are doing in Lethbridge. And to add insult to injury.... I am assuming that this whole organization is tax payer funded..our tax dollars...

Please do not allow this service to get up & running.... PLEASE.

Everyone I speak to about this, feels the same way. Unfortunately, a lot of them are not letter writers. They count on us for that. But, they sure let me know how they feel about it & the pending approval.

If you have any doubts about this whole mess, please read a letter written by The current tenant at 422 13 St N ... SAAMIS. Very well written by someone who knows. You can find it on Connecting our Community facebook. (copy included)

Do what is right for your constituents. Decline this request. Before it's too late!

Don't reduce police funding then create more crime with these types of facilities. PLEASE!

From many concerned citizens.

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Saamis Employment & Training is Relocating NOT Closing:

Saamis Employment signed a 5-year lease with a previous owner and Jillian Chaffee with Royal LePage purchased the building in March 2019 with our existing lease in please. Within 8 months of purchasing the building she put it back up for sale for a considerable increase in asking price and started asking Saamis to commit to another five-year lease which we could not do. It is always easier to sell a commercial building to an investor if they have a long-term lease in place and that is the way that business runs.

In October Saamis and Ms. Chaffee agreed to move over to a month-to-month lease until Saamis could make a commitment to a long-term lease. Ms. Chaffee agreed to this and it was agreed that we would touch base early in the new year to discuss extending the lease. At that time Saamis provided Ms. Chaffee with another six months of postdated cheques.

Ms. Chaffee had informed Saamis the building was up for Sale, but she did not inform Saamis that she was seeking to put another tenant into the building. She did not inform Saamis that she had a possible tenant and/or advise us that if we could not commit to a long-term lease, she would lease it out to another organization or give us first option to renew the lease should she find another interested tenant.

What she did do was lease the building last fall to the harm reduction site and take a deposit from them. The harm reduction site needed a location address to take their application to the City for approval. Their lease agreement which was signed last fall has a clause that states if the City does not approve the location than they are not committed to the lease. She also informed the Harm Reduction site that Saamis's lease was finished and we were relocating. When the lease was signed with the Harm Reduction site, she did not inform Saamis about the lease and/or provide us with any information about their tentative move in date.

It is my believe that Ms. Chaffee was trying to play both sides. She failed to tell Saamis about the lease agreement she had with the Harm Reduction Site in case if fell through at which time she would still have Saamis as a tenant.

Saamis was not told that our building had been leased out or when the tenants planned on taking over and it was only after the Lethbridge Herald put our picture on their front page that we became aware of the situation. Ms. Chaffee was contacted immediately when the story broke and she advised Saamis she felt no need to inform us about the lease agreement she put in place with the Harm Reduction site rather she advised us that if we had wanted to stay in the building, we should have renegotiated the five-year renewal option last October. While this is well within her legal rights it does not present has having good business practices.

She then demanded that if we wanted to stay in the building, we needed to send her an offer to renew immediately. Saamis sent Ms. Chaffee an offer to sign a lease until March 31, 2022 but the response we received was it was to late. When Ms. Chaffee was contacted last Friday, she insisted we had until March 31st to relocate but has now agreed to give us 90 days' notice if we require it.

This has been an unfortunate situation for Saamis Employment, and we will be relocating. It is often hard for not-for-profit organization to secure locations to operate as many of us are funded on a year-to-year basis but landlords want 5 to 10 year commitments. This circumstance brings unforeseen additional costs to Saamis Employment for relocating and has left the staff of Saamis Employment and many of their client's anxious and concerned.

We have had an outpouring of concern and we want to assure everyone that Saamis Employment will not be closing it doors. We have come to see this unfortunate circumstance as a blessing in disguise. As soon as we can confirm our new location, we will be letting everyone know. We thank all our clients for their understanding.

From: Hanna van der Lee <vanderlh@hotmail.com> Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 9:02 AM To: David Sarsfield <David.Sarsfield@lethbridge.ca>

Subject: [External] Development of Distribution services at 422 13 Street North Lethbridge

I am requesting that there NOT be duplication of services allowed at this site.

There is already the availability to access needles, condoms etc in the city and this site is far to close to a Elementary school and long term senior care facility.

Please keep our city safe!!
Concerned citizen:
Hanna van der Lee
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