



March 19, 2019

Mayor van den Broek and Members of City Council 20399 Douglas Crescent Langley, BC V3A 4B3

RE: Proliferation of tattoo shops and spas in downtown Langley

Dear Mayor and Council:

Please accept this letter as a respectful request from our Board of Directors that City Council consider regulating the further proliferation of tattoo shops and spas in Langley City. We are making this request simply due to the high concentration of these businesses in our community, not because we are opposed to them.

As you may already be aware, to the best of our knowledge there are currently 14 tattoo shops and 39 spas (including hair removal/waxing, nail salons and massage parlours/spas) within the BIA, and these types of businesses are now backfilling most of our vacant spaces.

We recognize that there is a place for tattoo shops and spas in every community, but like everything else, if there are too many, this is cause for concern with respect to public perception. As we all know, a healthy business community thrives when there is a variety and balance of retail, food and service businesses.

Thank you for everything you do in our community and for once again considering our request. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Carole Ward, Chair

Downtown Langley Business Association

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