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Re: Rezoning application – 1906-1918 W 4th Avenue (former CFUN Radio Studio)

We are disappointed over the suggested loss of yet another piece of Vancouver's architectural legacy of this mid-century building, designed by architect William Karel Noppe for the CFUN Radio Studio in 1958.

Despite being recommended as a **Priority Site for the Vancouver Heritage Register Upgrade**, this seemed to have gone unnoticed within the City. It is not noted within the current rezoning application, and no Statement of Significance (SOS) has been undertaken as far as we can determine.

We therefore request that:

- an **SOS be immediately undertaken** as part of the terms of any development approval(s), to National Heritage Standards,
- a potential **Heritage Revitalization Agreement (HRA)** be investigated which would offer incentives for the development which otherwise wouldn't be available, based on retention in whole or part, of the existing structure, and
- the **City immediately process the Priority Sites** as identified and submitted in 2017, for the long-delayed Vancouver Heritage Register Upgrade as part of the City's Heritage Action Plan.

Some of William K. Noppe's other designs, were the *PNE Agrodome* (1965), the modernist design of the *Beach Town House Apartments* (1949), a 7-storey block overlooking English Bay, and the *Enarson Gymnasium Building* (1969) on the campus of Trinity Western University in Langley.

Respectfully submitted,
Heritage Vancouver Society

cc Vancouver Heritage Commission