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**On the same day the public inquiry into the Robert Pickton serial murder investigation begins, another group of advocates has pulled out of the proceedings.**

The Coalition of Sex Worker Serving Organizations says, after months of deliberation, it has decided to withdraw rather than be seen as silently supporting the inquiry.

The coalition represents three Vancouver groups that directly support the city's sex trade workers.

A provincial government decision to deny legal funding to all but victim's families has prompted most of the non-profit advocacy groups to withdraw.

Several plan a protest outside the inquiry when formal hearings begin this morning in downtown Vancouver.

Nearly a decade after Pickton's arrest, the inquiry will examine why Vancouver police and the RCMP failed to catch him as he murdered sex workers from Vancouver's Downtown Eastside.

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