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TO Mayor & Council:

The number of homes demolished every year in Upper Kitsilano is WASTEFUL, Unsustainable and <u>counter to the City's "green" goals and the intent of existing zoning.</u>

The Heritage Action Plan (HAP) & its proposed updates are too weak to have any effect in slowing, let alone stopping the destruction of our neighbourhoods' character & heritage. The HAP is too little, too late and at this rate, by the time the City puts any teeth into regulations to protect single-family neighbourhoods, our heritage will be in the landfill!!

WE strongly request that the city immediately initiate interim measures for a moratorium on demolition in all RS zones until effective zoning changes for character house retention are in place. I also strongly request that the HAP's criteria for "character houses" include houses built during the 1940's & that the criteria be made less stringent in order to protect our remaining stock of older homes.

The noise of destruction in progress times 3 in our immediate neighbourhood every day means we have to live inside...it goes on unceasingly sometimes 7 days a week during daylight hours and after all this destruction/building is completed we are left with huge often grey almost haunted-like overbuilt houses left empty with illegal automatic sprinklers being allowed to break the by-law as shown by brilliant green lawns (no flowers), lots of concrete, iron gates and trees cut down illegally (we will just pay the fine, all part of rebuilding)

Does the quest for Money rule all your lives? ...what about quality of life in a friendly neighbourhood...this has gone now...why do we have to lose that also.

Am I writing/speaking into the wind?

as so far during the past 2 years nothing has changed in regard to these matters...

Are we to presume that none of you really care and are unlikely to do anything about stopping this wholesale destruction??.

Yours truly,

Janice MacDonald