

BY-LAW NO. _____

A By-law to amend
Zoning and Development By-law No. 3575
Regarding Certified Passive House in the RS-1 District Schedule

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VANCOUVER, in public meeting, enacts as follows:

1. This By-law amends or adds to the indicated provisions of the Zoning and Development By-law.
2. In section 2, in alphabetical order, Council adds:

“**Certified Passive House** means a building that is designed to meet the Passive House standards developed by the Passive House Institute in Darmstadt, Germany, as verified by a Passive House Certifier.”; and

“**Passive House Certifier** means a person internationally accredited by the Passive House Institute in Darmstadt, Germany for the purposes of certifying buildings as being designed in accordance with its Passive House standards.”
3. In the RS-1 District Schedule, Council:
 - (a) after section 4.3.5, adds:

“4.3.6 Notwithstanding section 4.3.1 of this schedule, the Director of Planning may permit a height increase to accommodate building features designed to reduce energy consumption in a Certified Passive House to a maximum of 10.7 m, if the Director of Planning first considers the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines.”;
 - (b) after section 4.6.5, adds:

“4.6.6 Notwithstanding section 4.6.1 of this schedule, the Director of Planning may decrease the rear yard requirement to accommodate building features designed to reduce energy consumption in a Certified Passive House to a minimum of 40 percent of the depth of the site, if the Director of Planning first considers the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines.”; and

(c) after section 4.16.3, adds:

"4.16.4 Notwithstanding section 4.16.1 of this schedule, the Director of Planning may increase the permitted building depth to accommodate building features designed to reduce energy consumption in a Certified Passive House to a maximum of 40 percent of the depth of the site, if the Director of Planning first considers the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines.

4.16.5 Where the permitted building depth is increased in accordance with section 4.16.4, sections 4.6.1 (a), (b), (c) and (d) of this schedule do not apply."

4. A decision by a court that any part of this By-law is illegal, void, or unenforceable severs that part from this By-law, and is not to affect the balance of the By-law.

5. This By-law is to come into force and take effect on the date of its enactment.

ENACTED by Council this _____ day of _____, 2015

Mayor

City Clerk