

## Kazakoff, Laura

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**From:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015 11:44 AM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** FW: RS-1 amendments to remove barriers to passive - height relaxation

**Importance:** High

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**From:** Marken Projects s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 10, 2015 11:35 AM  
**To:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office  
**Subject:** FW: RS-1 amendments to remove barriers to passive - height relaxation  
**Importance:** High

Dear Council, I am in support of the amendments to the RS1 zoning as indicated below.

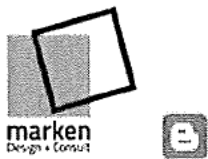
Thank you,

**Alexander Maurer, BBA, CPHC, LEED® AP**

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**From:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015 3:12 PM  
**To:** Public Hearing  
**Subject:** FW: Support for proposed changes to RS-1 zoning

**From:** Monte Paulsen s.22(1) Personal and Confidential  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015 2:50 PM  
**To:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office  
**Subject:** Support for proposed changes to RS-1 zoning

Dear Mayor and Council,

I'm writing to express my strong support for the proposed changes to RS-1 zoning and for the proposed Ultra Low Energy Homes policy.

As it stands now, the City of Vancouver effectively penalizes anyone seeking to build a Passive House or similar Ultra Low Energy Home with our borders. Such homeowners are forced to make personal sacrifices (less square footage in their homes) in order to advance the public good of constructing (at their own expense) a dwelling that will reduce carbon emissions by more than 75% for the life of the building.

The proposed amendments seek to level the playing field by granting roughly the same same interior square-footage to the builder of a Passive House residence that the city would grant to the builder of any other dwelling on the same RS-1 lot. The proposed levelling of the playing field poses no additional cost to taxpayers, presents no disadvantage to builders of traditional dwellings, and has been carefully drafted to avoid any hardship to neighbours of these high-performance homes.

As a consultant to four of the first Passive House projects in the City of Vancouver, I am intimately aware of the sacrifices these pioneering homeowners have made, and I am confident that the proposed changes to RS-1 zoning are a valuable first step toward levelling the playing field for carbon-emissions-free buildings.

In conclusion, I would like to express my admiration for city staff who have developed this proposal, including but not limited to: Sonia Erichsen, Andrea Wickham, Sonia Erichsen, Chris Higgins and Sean Pander.

Warm regards,

Monte

Monte Paulsen  
CEA, CPHC

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