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To: [Public Hearing](#)
Subject: Note in support for Nov 5 public hearing on improving livability of basement suites
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Hi there,

I would like to register a message of support for the proposed changes being reviewed on November 5, "Amendments to Repair and Clarify Basement and Cellar Regulations for New Houses in RS Zones".

In particular, I support:

- Improving livability of secondary suites for renters in terms of natural light
- Allowing builders in low-density areas to build more total housing above ground when the site conditions merit this
- Encouraging more sustainable (and cost effective) construction methods
- Allowing basement suites to have entrance doors that face the street.

The change to allow street-facing basement entrances is minor in some ways, but it would be a meaningful improvement for many secondary suite renters, who have historically been relegated by zoning to access their homes from a hidden back entrance.

Thanks for your work towards incentivizing builders in Vancouver to build better homes for renters.

Thank you,
Allen Pike