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Please stop old white entitled boomers from deciding the future of this city!!
Enough!!

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Vancouver is turning the former church property at 3rd & Larch into a large, prohibitively expensive development:

1) For decades, the City of Vancouver has failed the citizens of Vancouver by allowing real estate to continue as a commodity — something to be traded & sold like as valuable mineral.

Even many of those who own homes in this area have become house-poor because of uncontrolled increases in the value of their dwellings. (I know of a widow who could not afford to live in her now-million dollar house, sold it, moved to Surrey, didn't know anybody, far away from her doctor, friends and grocery store ... and she became despondent and moved into a home and died.)

We invest in policing, fire departments and health care. It is time now for this community to recognize citizens' basic need for housing and to increase housing for all, not just the wealthy.

2) The City of Vancouver controls land use but it has not tied development to the provision of housing for those in the lower half of household incomes and wealth.

3) I recommend all new development and taxation of existing real estate should be tied to continuous and immediate increase in city-regulated rental housing that is affordable for people in the lower half of household incomes and wealth. And that rental housing should be distributed across the city. This means current zoning that prohibits or inhibits the development of rental housing must be changed.