CD-1 Rezoning: 4575 Granville Street

Public Hearing

October 14, 2021





Site and Surrounding Zoning



Existing Site and Context



Local Services and Amenities





Enabling Policies





AFFORDABLE HOUSING CHOICES INTERIM REZONING POLICY

Authority - Director of Planning Effective October 4, 2012 Amended December 2, 2013, April 20, 2016, and October 11, 2017, and June 20, 2018

On October 3, 2012, City Council approved the Affordable Housing Choices Interim Rezoning Policy aimed at encouraging innovation and enabling real examples of affordable housing types to be tested for potential wider application that will provide ongoing housing opportunities. Please see report to City Council at the following link: http://former.vancouver.ca/ctvclerk/2012/1002/documents/tr2.pdf.

The policy allows for consideration of rezoning proposals which will be evaluated on criteria in the following categories: Affordability, Location, and Form of Development, and Council has provided guidance on each of these criteria. Council originally established a maximum of 20 rezoning applications to be considered under this interim policy.

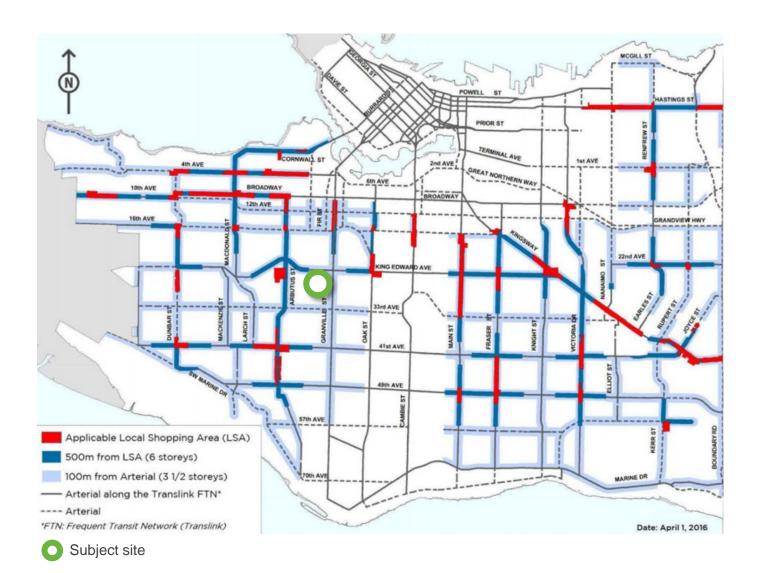
On June 20, 2018, Council removed the maximum cap of 20 rezoning applications to be considered under this policy. Full enquiry submissions for rental housing projects will be processed until June 30, 2019. These changes are intended to be an interim measure to better meet the new Housing Vancouver targets for purpose-built rental housing – 20,000 units over the next 10 years (2018-2027). Staff will be undertaking a review of the Affordable Housing Choices Interim Rezoning Policy in conjunction with the Secured Market Rental Housing Policy "Rental 100", with a report back to Council on the results of these policies, as well as recommendations for improvements in the spring of 2019.

The policy also includes a spacing requirement between projects, where no more than two projects can be considered within 10 blocks along an arterial street. As this spacing requirement was added by Council when the policy was approved in 2012, it does not appear in the report at the above web link.

How to find out if a site is eligible for the Affordable Housing Choices Interim Rezoning Policy

Locations where the Affordable Housing Choices Interim Rezoning Policy can be considered are provided in Section 2, below. To confirm the eligibility of a particular site, contact the Planning Info Line at 604-873-7038 or planninginfo@vancouver.ca.

Enabling Policy



Affordable Housing Choices Interim Rezoning Policy

- Sites fronting an arterial street that is on TransLink's Frequent Transit Network and within close proximity of a local shopping area
- Up to 3½-storey ground oriented townhouse, or four-storey apartment forms

Proposal

- Application submitted December 16, 2020
- 24 secured market rental units, 50% family units
- 4-storey, residential building
- 1.23 FSR, 11.9 m (39 ft.) height recommended
- Restart Vancouver
 "Recovery Phase": ~ 84
 new construction jobs



Changes to Proposal

2018 Application

Two-building stacked townhouses
FSR 1.33
21 units
32 parking spaces, 32 bicycle spaces

Hospice

2020 (Current) Application

One-building stacked townhouses FSR 1.23 24 units 17 parking spaces, 59 bicycle spaces



Proposal: Rents

	Proposal	Newer Market Rental Buildings Westside		
	Average Unit Size (sq. ft.)	Average Rents	Average Household Income Served	
Studio	n/a	\$1,832	\$73,280	
1-bed	470	\$1,975	\$79,000	
2-bed	n/a	\$2,804	\$112,160	
3-bed	1172	\$3,349	\$133,960	

2016 Average Household Income: Shaughnessy \$262,760 Arbutus Ridge \$124,666

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	Proposal	Newer Market Rental Buildings Westside		Monthly Costs of Home Ownership for Median- Priced Unit		
	Average Unit Size (sq. ft.)	Average Rents	Average Household Income Served	Monthly Costs Associated with Purchase	10% Down Payment	Average Household Income Served
Studio	n/a	\$1,832	\$73,280	\$2,857	\$49,525	\$114,280
1-bed	470	\$1,975	\$79,000	\$3,554	\$62,300	\$142,160
2-bed	n/a	\$2,804	\$112,160	\$5,355	\$93,300	\$214,200
3-bed	1172	\$3,349	\$133,960	\$8,707	\$154,500	\$348,280

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Public Consultation

Postcards Mailed February 19, 2021

City-hosted Virtual Open House February 22 to March 14, 2021

Postcards distributed	297
Questions	3
Comment forms	212
Other input	6
Total	221



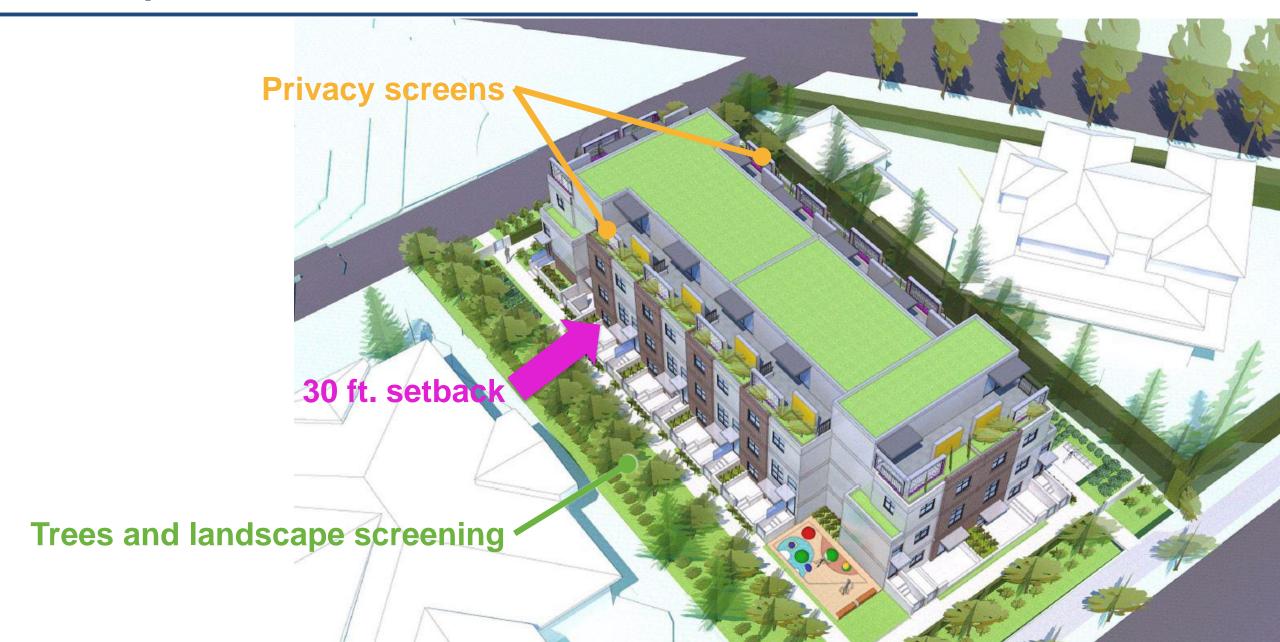
Support

- Rental Housing
- Height, density and design
- Neighbourhood integration
- Traffic, parking and safety

Concern

- Privacy, noise and construction
- Height, massing, density, neighbourhood character
- Traffic, parking, safety
- Luxury rental

Response to Feedback



Conclusion

- Proposal complies with Affordable Housing Choices Interim Rezoning Policy
- Provides 24 secured market rental units
- Staff support application subject to conditions outlined in Appendix B

