

1. Streamlining Rental Around Local Shopping Areas - SUPPORT

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11/03/2021	16:51	PH1 - 1. Streamlining Rental Around Local Shopping Areas - Amendments to the C-2, C 2B, C-2C and C-2C1 Zones and Creation of New Rental Zones for Use in Future Rezoning Applications in Surrounding Low Density Areas Under the Secured Rental Policy	Support	I am writing to you to let you know that I strongly support the initiative to make it easier to build rental building on residential streets. Me and my husband are currently happy renters in the West End. We moved into our current place 8 years ago, before the rent went through the roof and therefore our place is affordable to us. We love our neighbourhood, our building, (which is also located on a quiet street, not an arterial road!) and our community of friends and neighbours. We hope we will be able to call Vancouver home for many years to come, however, should we ever have to move due to renovations (which is a constant threat to us) or if we decide to grow our family and our 1-Bedroom apartment won't be big enough anymore, I don't think we will be able to find a suitable home in this city, as there is just not enough supply of the type of housing we would be looking for. If we had to move, we would be looking for another rental, with 2-3 bedrooms in a building similar to our current one, a 4 storey walk-up, close to shopping areas that provide for our daily needs and in a neighbourhood that has safe cycling infrastructure, which is how we get around. And that just doesn't get built in this city right now. Restricting rental buildings to arterial road only is not an option! This tells me that you think people like me are second class citizens, who get what the wealthy citizens (the ones that own the single family houses) don't want. I hope you support this policy, so families like mine have a chance to live and stay in and contribute to this great city!	Simone Stoff	s.22(1) Personal and Confidential	West End	No web attachments.
11/03/2021	19:08	PH1 - 1. Streamlining Rental Around Local Shopping Areas - Amendments to the C-2, C 2B, C-2C and C-2C1 Zones and Creation of New Rental Zones for Use in Future Rezoning Applications in Surrounding Low Density Areas Under the Secured Rental Policy	Support	This is a great proposal to provide more desperately needed rental housing across our city.	D Snyder		West End	No web attachments.
11/03/2021	21:50	PH1 - 1. Streamlining Rental Around Local Shopping Areas - Amendments to the C-2, C 2B, C-2C and C-2C1 Zones and Creation of New Rental Zones for Use in Future Rezoning Applications in Surrounding Low Density Areas Under the Secured Rental Policy	Support	Vancouver is really short of rental housing for families. Making a big change like this is the only real way of making a dent in our City's affordability of living. Many cities across the world are moving in this direction. Multi family rental buildings along arterial and transit routes is key to improving affordability of living with easy access to transit. Only way to have sustainable and livable city for the future. I support this important initiative to streamline speedy development of rental housing units.	Rajinder Mann		West Point Grey	No web attachments.
11/04/2021	09:30	PH1 - 1. Streamlining Rental Around Local Shopping Areas - Amendments to the C-2, C 2B, C-2C and C-2C1 Zones and Creation of New Rental Zones for Use in Future Rezoning Applications in Surrounding Low Density Areas Under the Secured Rental Policy	Support	As a renter that has struggled to find and compete with other rental seekers in our limited rental pool, I highly support not only more availability in general, but opening up the increased possibility of being able to not live on a busy road. Renters are not "buffers" for traffic noise and pollution, nor should we be relegated to living in basements outside of the downtown core.	Andrew Hawryluk		West End	No web attachments.
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11/04/2021	12:07	PH1 - 1. Streamlining Rental Around Local Shopping Areas - Amendments to the C-2, C 2B, C-2C and C-2C1 Zones and Creation of New Rental Zones for Use in Future Rezoning Applications in Surrounding Low Density Areas Under the Secured Rental Policy	Support	I am a university student and we need more rental availability throughout the city not just in the downtown hubs. Support the initiatives on expedited rental development particularly on transit corridors. Not everyone can afford a house or their own vehicles. The city needs to evolve and be sustainable for all demographics of the population. Improving supply should ease rental rates as well over time.	Jeev Mann		Unknown	No web attachments.