

Credit: City Hall Watch Vancouver

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Many Questions...

Answers were impersonal, scripted, repetitive clichés...

Controlled access, language...

Presented results were doctored to keep the process going

"BC Housing has painted a picture of support in the community when the FOI shows a different truth. For instance in BC Housing's report they said 'many community members expressed general support' and 'many community members expressed general opposition.' The truth is 75 per cent of the feedback in the public sessions were against the proposal for a 140-unit single room occupancy tower that's intended for the hardest to house, people with mental health and addiction issues, but with no real services other than monitored drug use within the building."

Source: **BC Housing ignored community feedback to help its rezoning application** https://www.kitsilanocoalition.org/blog/bc-housing-ignored-community-feedback

Q Hello Skylar, This morning on CKNW, David Eby stated that this project has been approved by the city. Is this project already approved by the Mayor and Vancouver City Councillors and when was that approval given? The lack of transparency on this project is very concerning. Please provide what arrangement BC housing and the City of Vancouver has already agreed to in regard to this 12 story SRO project on Arbutus and 8th Avenue.

Concerned Asks asked, over 1 year ago

Hi Concerned Asks,

The West 8th Arbutus supportive housing project and the East King Edward Avenue are the first two proposals being put forward by BC Housing, as part of a joint agreement between the Province and the City of Vancouver to build at least 350 new permanent supportive homes. What has not yet been approved is the rezoning.

Minister Eby was speaking in reference to the confirmed and signed agreement in place between the Province, through BC Housing, and the City of Vancouver to build 350 new supportive homes in the coming years. The locations for these new homes have not been confirmed or approved by the City yet.

Both of these proposals are in the early stages. BC Housing is currently seeking community feedback and questions. The next step for these sites will include BC Housing submitting applications for rezoning to the City of Vancouver. This will be followed by a public hearing in several months where the community will have the opportunity to share their feedback with Mayor and Council – before a decision is made about these two sites.

Sincerely,

Skylar

Asking Council to **prioritize input** from residents and parents of the elemetary schools in the **immediate vicinity** of this project.

Please **send this project back to staff** to allow time for a solution to emerge, while encouraging stakeholders to communicate in good faith.

