



## REFERRAL REPORT

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TO: Vancouver City Council  
FROM: General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability  
SUBJECT: Rezoning: 1522 West 45th Avenue and 6137 Granville Street

### **RECOMMENDATION TO REFER**

THAT the rezoning application, described below, be referred to Public Hearing together with the recommendations set out below and with the recommendation of the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability to approve the application, subject to the conditions set out below;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary by-laws, in accordance with the recommendations set out below, for consideration at the Public Hearing.

### **RECOMMENDATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

- A. THAT the application by Intracorp Homes, on behalf of Amica Seniors Granville Inc., the registered owners of the lands located at 1522 West 45th Avenue and 6137 Granville Street [*Lot 17 and 16 of Lot 5, Block 3, District Lot 526 Plan 5701; PIDs: 005-095-361 and 004-289-323 respectively*], to rezone the lands from RS-3 (Residential) District to RR-2B (Residential Rental) District, be approved in principle;

FURTHER THAT the draft zoning amendment by-law, prepared for the Public Hearing in accordance with Appendix A, be approved in principle;

AND FURTHER THAT the above approvals be subject to the Conditions of Approval contained in Appendix B.

- B. THAT subject to approval in principle of the rezoning and the Housing Agreement described in Part 2 of Appendix B, the Director of Legal Services be instructed to prepare the necessary Housing Agreement By-law for enactment prior to enactment of the zoning amendment By-law, subject to such terms and conditions as may be required at the discretion of the Director of Legal Services and the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability.

- C. THAT subject to approval of the zoning amendment by-law, the Subdivision Bylaw be amended generally as set out in Appendix C;

FURTHER THAT the Director of Legal Services be instructed to bring forward the amendment to the Subdivision By-law at the time of enactment of the zoning amendment bylaw.

- D. THAT Recommendations A to C be adopted on the following conditions:
- (i) THAT the passage of the above resolutions creates no legal rights for the applicant or any other person, or obligation on the part of the City; any expenditure of funds or incurring of costs is at the risk of the person making the expenditure or incurring the cost;
  - (ii) THAT any approval that may be granted following the public hearing shall not obligate the City to enact a bylaw rezoning the property, and any costs incurred in fulfilling requirements imposed as a condition of rezoning are at the risk of the property owner; and
  - (iii) THAT the City and all its officials, including the Approving Officer, shall not in any way be limited or directed in the exercise of their authority or discretion, regardless of when they are called upon to exercise such authority or discretion.

### **REPORT SUMMARY**

This report recommends a plan amendment to the Zoning and Development By-law from RS-3 (Residential) to RR-2B (Residential Rental) for the site located at 1522 West 45th Avenue and 6137 Granville Street. The amendment would allow for a five -storey rental building in accordance with the *Secured Rental Policy* (“SRP”).

A future building design would be submitted through the development permit process and reviewed with the public at that time.

Staff have assessed the application and conclude that it meets the intent of the *SRP*. Staff recommend that the application be referred to a Public Hearing, with the recommendation of the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability to approve it in principle, subject to the Public Hearing, and conditions contained within Appendix B.

### **COUNCIL AUTHORITY/PREVIOUS DECISIONS**

Relevant Council policies for this site include:

- Vancouver Plan (2022)
- Secured Rental Policy (2012, last amended 2022)
- RR-2B Districts Schedule (2021)
- Housing Needs Report (2022)
- Residential Rental Districts Schedules Design Guidelines (2021)
- Family Room: Housing Mix Policy for Rezoning Projects (2016)
- High-Density Housing for Families with Children Guidelines (1992)

- Green Buildings Policy for Rezonings (2010, last amended 2022)
- Urban Forest Strategy (2014)
- Latecomer Policy (2021)
- Vancouver Development Cost Levy By-law No. 9755
- Vancouver Utilities Development Cost Levy By-law No. 12183

## REPORT

### Background/Context

#### 1. Site and Context

The subject site (see Figure 1) is comprised of two legal parcels at the corner of West 45th Avenue and Granville Street. The total site area is approximately 2,273 sq. m (24,466 sq. ft.), with a frontage of 43.1 m (141 ft.) along Granville Street and a depth of 52.8 m (173 ft.).

**Figure 1: Location Map – Site and Context**



This property and the surrounding area are zoned for residential uses under the RS-3 District Schedule. The site is developed with two single-detached homes constructed in 1960 and 1993. The property contains no rental tenancy and tenant protection does not apply.

## 2. Policy Context

**Vancouver Plan** – The *Vancouver Plan* was approved by Council on July 22, 2022 and is a land use strategy to guide long-term growth of the City over the next 30 years. The approved *Vancouver Plan* will serve as a framework with further implementation planning work to follow over the next two to four years. The proposal addresses priorities within the *Housing Vancouver Strategy* which aligns with the *Vancouver Plan*.

**Secured Rental Policy (“SRP”)** – The *SRP* encourages the construction of new purpose-built rental housing in Vancouver. Updates to the *SRP* were approved by Council in December 2021 to streamline the delivery of new rental housing. These included clarifying opportunities for rezoning in low-density areas close to public transit, shopping and other daily needs, and to streamline and simplify the rezoning process by utilizing new rental zones with standardized regulations.

The *SRP* outlines the following locational eligibility criteria for sites in low-density areas:

- In an existing RS or RT zone outside of recent community plan areas (excluding certain RT-zoned areas in Kitsilano and Kensington-Cedar Cottage with high proportions of heritage buildings and multiple conversion dwellings);
- Located within close proximity to public transit and local shopping; and
- On the first full block on either side of an eligible arterial road.

Sites that meet these criteria and are part of the typical street grid (including having lane or secondary street access to the rear) and are regular in shape, size and other attributes may be considered for rezoning under the *SRP* to one of the new RR zones. The applicable option or options are further informed by the site’s size, orientation and adjacent context.

The *SRP* generally supports up to four-storey mixed-use and five-storey residential apartments on arterials, and up to four-storey townhouses or apartments on sites off arterials. Up to six-storeys may be considered for projects on arterials where the residential component includes a minimum 20% permanently secured below-market rental housing or 100% social housing.

**RR Zoning District Schedules and Design Guidelines** – Along with updates to the *SRP*, in December 2021 Council approved the addition of new residential rental (“RR”) zoning district schedules to the Zoning & Development By-law; RR-1, RR-2A, RR-2B and RR-2C, and RR-3A and RR-3B. Like other standard zoning districts, the RR zones set basic regulations such as permitted use, density, and height limits, while allowing for a range of building designs. All residential uses in the RR zones are secured as rental tenure, and no stratification or sale of individual residential units is allowed.

Further direction on form of development expectations under each of the RR zones is provided in the *Residential Rental Districts Schedules Design Guidelines*. Recognizing that the *SRP* and RR zones are intended to enable incremental change in neighbourhoods that currently consist primarily of detached houses and duplexes, the guidelines support new missing middle buildings that foster neighbourliness and social connection, and contribute to an evolving streetscape which accommodates more architectural variety and diversity of housing options.

**Housing Vancouver Strategy** – In November 2017, Council approved the *Housing Vancouver Strategy* (2018-2027). These seek to shift the supply of new homes toward the right supply, with targets for new units along a continuum of housing types. The Housing Vancouver targets were based on the core goals of retaining the diversity of incomes and households in the city, shifting

housing production towards rental to meet the greatest need, and coordinating action with government and non-profit partners to deliver housing for the lowest income households.

Overall, 72,000 new homes are targeted for the 10-year period, including 12,000 social, supportive and non-profit co-operative units and 20,000 purpose-built rental units. Nearly 50% of the new units are to serve households earning less than \$80,000 per year, and 40% are to be family-size units.

**Housing Needs Report (2022)** – On April 27th, 2022, Council resolved at a public meeting to receive a Housing Needs Report (HNR) prepared by staff. Further to the BC Provincial government's requirement, Council must consider their most recent HNR when developing a development plan, or when amending a development plan in relation to Council's housing policies of the Council respecting affordable housing, rental housing and special needs housing.

This zoning amendment would facilitate the delivery of secured rental housing the data and findings within the HNR.

### ***Strategic Analysis***

#### **1. Simplified Rezoning Process**

To facilitate the delivery of secured rental units, the City has implemented a simplified process for owner initiated rezonings to a RR District schedule. Rather than rezoning sites to a site specific Comprehensive Development (CD-1) District, the RR Districts form the designated zones. Rezoning to a designated zone streamlines the review process and provides greater certainty for the achievable built form.

The RR-2B District Schedule permits apartments up to five-storeys in height and 2.2 FSR. This schedule requires a minimum frontage of 20.1 m (66 ft.). On some shallow sites and corner sites with a minimum frontage of 40.2 m (132 ft.), a density of up to 2.4 applies for sites on arterials. The schedule also requires 35% of the units to be for families and include two bedrooms or more. Applicable to sites on arterials and on local streets flanking an arterial, five-storey apartment buildings will introduce incremental change to local streets and will typically be limited in frontage width to achieve a higher degree of compatibility with the existing streetscape.

The rezoning process allows for a secured rental development through a streamlined process. Architectural drawings are not required at the rezoning application stage. The form of development will be reviewed at the development permit stage. All proposals will need to meet the intent and regulations of the RR-2B District. An Urban Design Panel review will not be required for this project at the Development Permit stage, as comprehensive design guidelines accompany the RR-2B District Schedule.

#### **2. Housing**

The *Housing Vancouver Strategy* seeks to deliver a range of housing tenures across the housing continuum. This application, if approved, would support submission of a development permit for a new five-storey rental apartment building to the City's inventory of rental housing, which would contribute to the targets set out in the Housing Vancouver Strategy (see Figure 2).

**Figure 2 Progress Towards 10 Year Housing Vancouver Targets for Purpose-Built Market and Developer-Owned Below-Market Rental Housing as of September 30, 2022**

Housing Type	CATEGORY	10-YEAR TARGETS	Units Approved Towards Targets
<b>Purpose-Built Market Rental Housing Units</b>	Market Rental	16,000	11,290 (71%)
	Developer-Owned Below Market Rental	4,000	1,225 (31%)
	Total	20,000	12,515 (63%)

\*Note that tracking progress towards 10-year Housing Vancouver targets began in 2017,

\*\*Unit numbers exclude the units in this proposal, pending Council's approval of this application.

**Vacancy Rates** - Vancouver has exhibited historically low vacancy rates in the last 30 years. In 2021, the purpose-built apartment vacancy rate was 1.1% in Vancouver. The vacancy rate (based on the CHMC Market Rental Survey) for the Kerrisdale neighbourhood, which this site is located, is 0.6%. A vacancy rate between 3% and 5% is considered to represent a balanced market.

**Security of Tenure** – Purpose-built rental housing offers secure rental tenure. The proposed RR-2B zoning designation would only permit residential uses that are secured as Residential Rental Tenure, and no strata or other ownership tenure residential units would be permitted. In addition, all units in the project would be secured through a Housing Agreement and a Section 219 Covenant for the longer of 60 years and the life of the building. Covenants will be registered on title to prohibit the stratification and/or separate sale of individual units. Conditions related to securing the units are contained in Appendix B.

**Tenants**The *Tenant Relocation and Protection Policy* (“TRP Policy”) extends policy coverage to projects involving consolidation of two or more lots that contain existing secondary rental. The TRP Policy applies to this rezoning site; however, the two houses have no residential tenants residing on site.

### 3. Transportation and Parking

Parking, loading and bicycle spaces must be provided and maintained according to the Parking By-law and will be reviewed at time of development permit application when architectural drawings are submitted. Local servicing requirements will be secured through a services agreement. Engineering conditions are included in Appendix B.

In order to create efficiencies for vehicular access, the applicant proposes that the neighbouring development to the south (6151-6251 Granville Street and 1511 West 47th Avenue) provide vehicular access to the subject site. The neighbouring development is owned by the applicant. Provision of a cross-access agreement with the subject site will facilitate vehicular access to these properties. See conditions in Appendix B.

Through this application, conditions of approval include a road dedication along Granville Street. Local servicing requirements will be secured through a services agreement. Engineering conditions are included in Appendix B.

#### 4. Environmental Sustainability and Natural Assets

**Green Buildings** – The *Green Buildings Policy for Rezoning*s requires that rezoning applications satisfy the green and resilient building conditions stated within the Policy. The applicant has committed to submitting Reporting of Green and Resilient Building Measures at the Building Permit Stage, as well as fulfilling energy system sub-metering and enhanced commissioning requirements throughout the project.

**Green Assets** – The *Urban Forest Strategy* was developed to preserve, protect and strengthen Vancouver's urban forest and tree canopy for the future. The Protection of Trees By-law aims to maintain a healthy urban forest by requiring that permission be granted to remove trees that meet certain conditions. The intent is to protect as many healthy, viable trees as possible, while still meeting the challenges of development, housing priorities and densification. This is in keeping with City goals for resilient and healthy natural systems in urban areas.

A detailed tree assessment and retention report will be required as part of a subsequent development permit application. Staff will review these materials and provide conditions to retain and protect trees, wherever possible. This process allows for a coordinated assessment of tree retention and replacement with the proposed form of development.

A rezoning condition requires a Rainwater Management Plan at the development permit stage. This plan will detail how the proposed development will incorporate a water-sensitive site and building design to collect and convey rainwater. This includes green infrastructure strategies to enhance infiltration of rainwater onto impervious surfaces, such as the provision of a green roof and provision of landscaped areas. Further details can be found in the Engineering conditions in Appendix B.

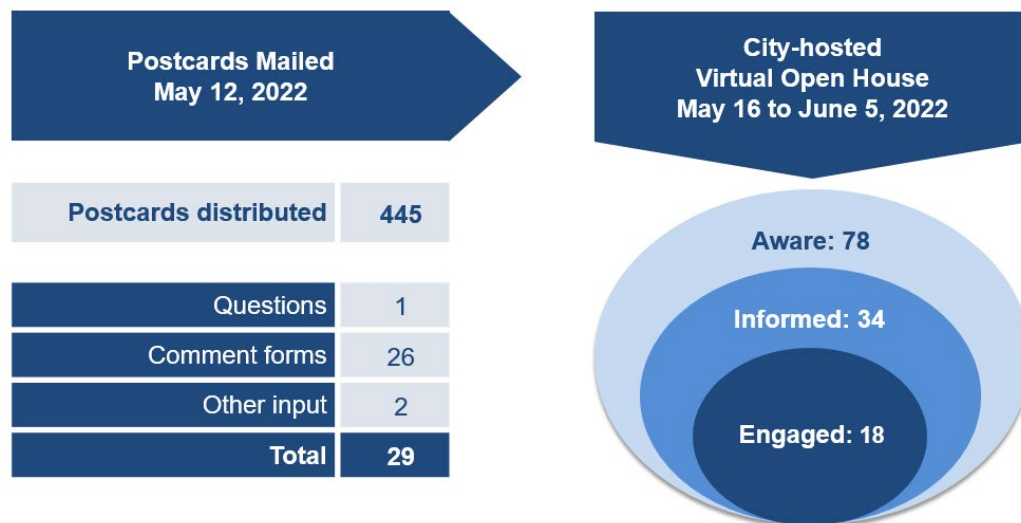
#### 5. Public Input

A rezoning information sign was installed on the site of this rezoning application on May 4, 2022. Approximately 445 notification postcards were distributed within the neighbouring area on or about May 12, 2022. Notification, application information, and an online comment form was provided on the Shape Your City Vancouver website (<https://shapeyourcity.ca/>).

For a more detailed summary of public comments and the SRP consultation process and background, see Appendix D.

**Virtual Open House** – A virtual open house was held from May 16 to June 5, 2022 on the Shape Your City platform. The open house consisted of an open-question online event where questions were submitted and posted with a response over a period of three weeks. 78 people signed onto the project webpage to view the rezoning proposal including a hypothetical building example.

**Public Response and Comments** – Public input was via online questions, comment forms, by email and phone. A total of 29 submissions were received. A summary of all public responses may be found in Appendix D.

**Figure 5: Overview of Notification and Engagement**

Generally, comments of support fell within the following areas:

- **Height, massing, density, location:** The height and density allotted to this rezoning is appropriate. There is general support of building additional density along arterial streets such as Granville and creating rental units in neighbourhoods such as Shaughnessy as it diversifies housing options within the community.
- **Rental Stock:** Commenters expressed support in the increase of rental stock that this rezoning will provide to both the community and the city.

Generally, comments of concern fell within the following areas:

- **Process:** Some respondents expressed that projects that do not include a form of development should not be considered.
- **Traffic and Safety:** With a neighbouring seniors care building, there is concern around creating a safe environment for active modes of transportation such as cycling and walking. Therefore, commenters have proposed closing W 45th avenue to create space for the pedestrian realm.

### ***Response to Public Comments***

Process: The SRP provides a framework to allow simplified rezonings in low-density transition areas in order to meet the City's need for more diverse purpose-built market rental typologies while streamlining the process and providing certainty on built form for residents. If approved, the form of development will be reviewed through a future Development Permit process.

Traffic and safety: Engineering staff have reviewed the proposed development for transportation safety issues and included rezoning conditions to deliver improvements that will address safety for all road users. This includes street improvements along W 45th Ave and Granville Street, with upgrades to the existing traffic signal and accessible pedestrian signals, and speed humps in the lane west of Granville Street, between 45th and 47th Avenues.



## 6. Public Benefits

**Community Amenity Contributions (CAC)** – The Community Amenity Contributions Policy for Rezoning provides an exemption for certain routine, lower-density secured market rental rezoning applications that comply with the City’s rental policies. As this site is currently zoned RS-1 and proposes to rezone to RR-2B which only allows for up to five storeys, the application is eligible for this CAC exemption.

**Development Cost Levies (DCLs)** – This site is currently subject to both City-wide and Utilities DCL. DCLs are payable at building permit issuance based on rates in effect at that time and the floor area proposed at the development permit stage.

This application was eligible for a waiver of the City-wide DCLs, however the applicant has elected not to seek the waiver. As per Section 3.1B of the Vancouver Development Cost Levy By-law, the decision to seek the waiver is made at the rezoning application stage. Should the applicant wish to request a DCL waiver at a later stage, the application would be expected to return to Council for a subsequent public hearing to amend the rezoning conditions.

Based on the rates in effect as of September 30, 2022 it is estimated that the project will pay \$1,874,291 of DCLs should it achieve the maximum 2.40 FSR.

**Public Art Program** – No public art contribution is applicable to this rezoning as the proposed floor area of the project is below the minimum threshold.

**Other Benefits** - The secured market rental housing in this proposed development will contribute to the City’s secured rental housing stock.

A summary of public benefits associated with this application is included in Appendix E.

### ***Financial Implications***

As noted in the Public Benefits section this project is expected to provide secured rental housing and a DCL contribution. See Appendix E for additional details.

## ***CONCLUSION***

Staff have reviewed the application to rezone 1522 West 45th Avenue and 6137 Granville Street from RS-3 to RR-2B to facilitate the delivery of secured rental housing. The location complies with the provisions of the RR-2B District Schedule, and staff conclude that the zoning amendment can be considered as it is consistent with the *Secured Rental Policy*.

The General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability recommends that the rezoning application be referred to a Public Hearing with a recommendation that, subject to the Public Hearing, the rezoning application be approved in principle, subject to the applicant fulfilling the Conditions of Approval in Appendix B.

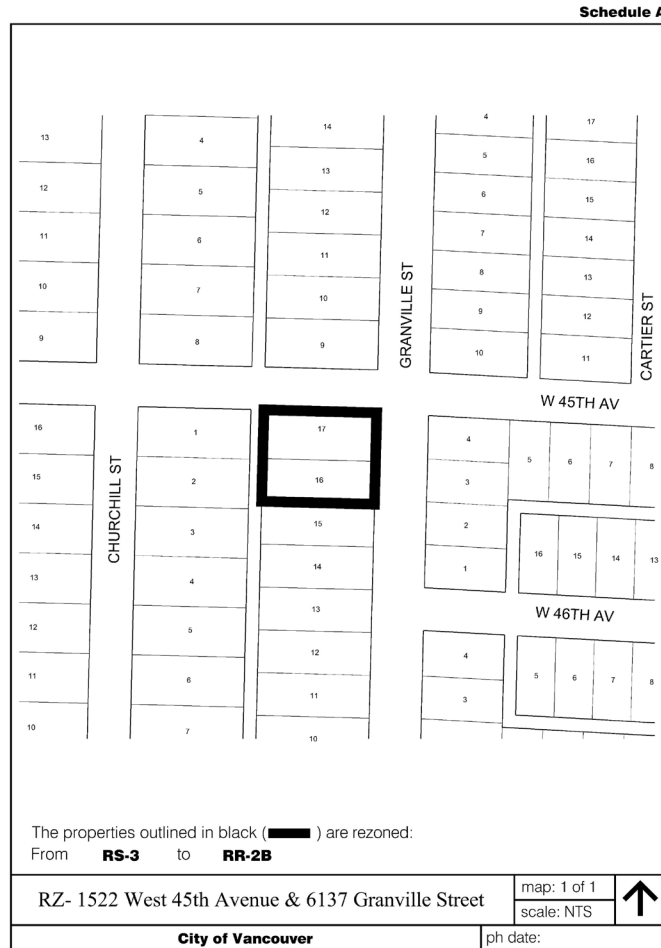
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**1522 West 45th Avenue and 6137 Granville Street  
PROPOSED BY-LAW AMENDMENTS**

*Note: A By-law to rezone an area to RR-2B will be prepared generally in accordance with the provisions listed below, subject to change and refinement prior to posting.*

**Zoning District Plan Amendment**

1. This By-law amends the Zoning District Plan attached as Schedule D to By-law No. 3575, and amends or substitutes the boundaries and districts shown on it, according to the amendments, substitutions, explanatory legends, notations, and references shown on the plan attached as Schedule A to this By-law, and incorporates Schedule A into Schedule D of By-law No. 3575.
2. The area shown within the heavy black outline on Schedule A is rezoned and moved from the RS-3 District Schedule to the RR-2B District Schedule.



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**1522 West 45th Avenue and 6137 Granville Street**  
**CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

*Note: If the application is referred to a Public Hearing, these Conditions of Approval will be referenced in the Summary and Recommendations included in the hearing agenda package. Any changes to the conditions approved by Council will be contained in its decision. Applicants are advised to consult the Public Hearing minutes for any changes or additions to these conditions.*

**PART 1: CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL OF THE DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION**

THAT, in reviewing a development application for the site, the Director of Planning shall have particular regard for the following:

**Sustainability**

- 1.1 All new buildings in the development will meet the requirements of the Green Buildings Policy for Rezoning (amended May 18, 2022) located here <https://guidelines.vancouver.ca/policy-green-buildings-for-rezonings.pdf>.

The project is also required to meet the green building requirements of the Secured Rental Policy (last amended March 2022).

Note to Applicant: Refer to the most recent bulletin *Green Buildings Policy for Rezoning – Process and Requirements*.

**Housing**

- 1.2 The design and layout of at least 35% of the dwelling units must:
- (a) Be suitable for family housing;
  - (b) Include two or more bedrooms; and
  - (c) Comply with Council's "High-Density Housing for Families with Children Guidelines"
- 1.3 The development should be designed in accordance with the High-Density Housing for Families with Children Guidelines, including the provision of:
- (a) An outdoor amenity area to include areas suitable for a range of children's play activities and urban agriculture, appropriate in size for the scale of the project and situated to maximize sunlight access (S. 3.3.2, 3.4.3);
  - (b) a minimum of 2.3 sq. m (24.7 sq. ft.) of bulk storage for each dwelling unit (S. 4.4.2);
  - (c) a multi-purpose indoor amenity space at least 37 sq. m (398 sq. ft.) with a wheelchair accessible washroom and kitchenette. Consider positioning this

adjacent to the children's play area to enable parental supervision from the amenity room (S. 3.7.3); and

- (d) a balcony for each family-size unit with 1.8 by 2.7 m minimum dimensions (S. 4.3.2).

## **Engineering**

- 1.4 This Development site has been identified as being adjacent the Major Road Network (MRN), as defined under the South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority Act (<https://www.translink.ca/plans-and-projects/projects/roads-bridges-and-goods-movement> [[translink.ca](https://www.translink.ca)]) on one or more frontages. Potential impacts to the road network due to site specific construction activity must be reviewed for all sites proposing street use outside of currently regulated zone limitations. A Construction Management Plan must be submitted directly to Translink ([MRN@translink.ca](mailto:MRN@translink.ca)) with a copy of the correspondence provided to the City of Vancouver a minimum 8 weeks prior to any construction activity.

Note to Applicant: The City of Vancouver and Translink have authority over the MRN as it relates to carrying out construction works on a City Street that is designated as a MRN.

- 1.5 Provision of any gas service to connect directly to the building without any portion of the service connection above grade within the road right of way.
- 1.6 Provision of construction details to determine ability to meet municipal design standards for shotcrete removal (COV Design Guidelines and Construction Standards and Encroachment By-law (#4243) section 3A) and access around existing and future utilities adjacent your site. Current construction practices regarding shotcrete shoring removals have put City utilities at risk during removal of encroaching portions of the shoring systems. Detailed confirmations of these commitments will be sought at the building permit stage with final design achievements certified and confirmed with survey and photographic evidence of removals and protection of adjacent utilities prior to building occupancy. Provision of written acknowledgement of this condition is required. Please contact Engineering Services for details.

Note to Applicant: Additional details can be found at <https://vancouver.ca/streets-transportation/street-design-construction-resources.aspx>

- 1.7 The owner or representative is advised to contact Engineering to acquire the project's permissible street use. Prepare a mitigation plan to minimize street use during excavation & construction (i.e. consideration to the building design or sourcing adjacent private property to construct from) and be aware that a minimum 60 days lead time for any major crane erection / removal or slab pour that requires additional street use beyond the already identified project street use permissions.
- 1.8 Provision of a lighting simulation to support all offsite lighting upgrades to City standards and IESNA recommendations.
- 1.9 Confirmation that gates/doors are not to swing more than 0.3 m (1.0 ft) over the property lines or into the SRW area.

1.10 Provision of a landscape and site plan that reflect the improvements to be provided as part of the Services Agreement.

1.11 Provision of the following information as part of the architectural drawing submission at the development permit stage to facilitate a complete Transportation review:

- (a) a complete tech table is required showing the calculations for the minimum required parking, loading, bicycle spaces and the number of spaces being provided;
- (b) all types of parking and loading spaces individually numbered and labelled;
- (c) dimension of any/all column encroachments into parking stalls;
- (d) identification of all columns in the parking layouts;
- (e) dimensions for typical parking spaces;
- (f) dimensions of additional setbacks for parking spaces due to columns and walls;
- (g) dimensions of maneuvering aisles and the drive aisles at the parkade entrance and all gates;
- (h) section drawings showing elevations and minimum vertical clearances for parking levels, loading bays, ramps, and security gates;

Note to Applicant: These clearances must consider mechanical projections and built obstructions.

- (i) details on the ramp/parkade warning and/or signal systems and locations of lights, signs and detection devices to be shown on the plans;
- (j) areas of minimum vertical clearances labelled on parking levels;
- (k) design elevations on both sides of the ramps and drive aisles at all breakpoints, loading bays, accessible spaces, and at all entrances;

Note to Applicant: The slope and length of the ramped sections at all breakpoints to be shown on the submitted drawings.

- (l) indication of the stair-free access route from the Class A bicycle spaces to reach the outside;

Note to Applicant: Stair ramps are not generally acceptable.

- (m) existing street furniture including bus stops, benches etc. to be shown on plans; and
- (n) the location of all poles and guy wires to be shown on the site plan.

- 1.12 Provision of a complete Rainwater Management Plan (RWMP) to be submitted to clearly indicate how the onsite system achieves the prescribed performance requirements as detailed in the Zoning and Development Bylaw and the Rainwater Management Bulletin.
- (a) Use appropriate runoff coefficients for different surface types and ensure consistency in % imperviousness estimates for all relevant calculations.
  - (b) Note to Applicant: Runoff coefficients for the green roof should be increased to reflect the increased runoff potential for these areas compared to landscaping over native soil. Currently the runoff coefficient for post-development green roof is assumed to be the same as pre-development landscaping over native soil.

Note to Applicant: As of July 5, 2022, the Rainwater Management Bulletin has been updated to clarify the City's review process and detail submission requirements for applicants. In preparing for resubmission at development permit, please review the document and its associated appendix. Additional information can be found at the following link: <https://vancouver.ca/home-property-development/private-realm-rainwater-management.aspx>

Please contact the City of Vancouver's Rainwater Management Review group for any questions or concerns related to the conditions or comments prior to resubmission with the DP application. A meeting may be scheduled upon request by contacting [rainwater@vancouver.ca](mailto:rainwater@vancouver.ca).

- 1.13 Provision of a Rainwater Management Agreement to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Engineering Services and the Director of Legal Services registered prior to issuance of a Development Permit.
- 1.14 Provision of a final signed and sealed RWMP, which includes a written report, supporting calculations, computer models and drawings to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Engineering Services prior to the issuance of any building permit.
- 1.15 Provision of a final signed and sealed standalone rainwater Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Manual to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Engineering Services prior to the issuance of any building permit.
- 1.16 Provision of an updated Final Hydrogeological Study, to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning, which addresses the requirements outlined in the Groundwater Management Bulletin, including but not limited to:
- (a) An updated Groundwater Management Plan which includes:
    - i. Adequate characterization and if required, monitoring of hydrostratigraphic units above the proposed slab depth. This may include any discrete high permeable zones which would contribute to groundwater discharge from the site.
    - ii. Construction-related and permanent groundwater management, including anticipated groundwater discharge rates for City approval.

Note to Applicant: The City does not support the long-term discharge of groundwater to our drainage system. Every effort should be made to prevent or limit this discharge.

- (b) An updated Impact Assessment which achieves the following objective:
  - i. Analysis to confirm that there are no significant risks from groundwater extraction/diversion.

Note to Applicant: The City does not accept the dewatering of peat due to associated risk of offsite settlement.

1.17 Construction-related discharge to the sewer must be measured, and reported to the City. This monitoring must include daily average flow rates, and be submitted monthly to [groundwater@vancouver.ca](mailto:groundwater@vancouver.ca). A hold will be placed on the issuance of a Building Permit for excavation. To remove the hold, provide an anticipated start date for excavation, and the contact details for the professional services that have been retained to conduct this monitoring, to [groundwater@vancouver.ca](mailto:groundwater@vancouver.ca).

1.18 Submission of a Key Plan to the City for review and approval prior to submission of any third party utility drawings is required. The review of third party utility service drawings will not be initiated until the Key Plan is defined and achieves the following objectives:

- (a) The Key Plan shall meet the specifications in the City of Vancouver Engineering Design Manual Section 2.4.4 Key Plan <https://vancouver.ca/files/cov/engineering-design-manual.PDF>;
- (b) All third party service lines to the development is to be shown on the plan (e.g., BC Hydro, Telus, Shaw, etc.) and the applicant is to provide documented acceptance from the third party utilities prior to submitting to the City.

Note to Applicant: Use of street for temporary power (e.g., temporary pole, pole mounted transformer or ducting) is to be coordinated with the city well in advanced of construction. Requests will be reviewed on a case by case basis with justification provided substantiating need of street space against other alternatives. If street use for temporary power is not approved, alternate means of providing power will need to be proposed. An electrical permit will be required.

1.19 Developer's Engineer to submit a sewer abandonment plan to the City that details the following:

- (a) The abandonment or removal of all existing storm, sanitary, and combined connections to the development site;
- (b) The abandonment plan is required to be reviewed and accepted by the City Engineer prior to issuance of the Sewer Permit.

1.20 The following statement is to be placed on the landscape plan:

“This plan is NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION and is to be submitted for review to Engineering Services a minimum of 8 weeks prior to the start of any construction proposed for public property. No work on public property may begin until such plans receive “For Construction” approval and related permits are issued. Please contact Engineering, Development and Major Projects and/or your Engineering, Building Site Inspector for details.”

- 1.21 Remove existing retaining wall encroachment from the lane.

## **PART 2: CONDITIONS OF BY-LAW ENACTMENT**

THAT, prior to enactment of the amending By-law, the registered owner shall on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services, the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability, and the General Manager of Engineering Services (or successors in function), as necessary, and at the sole cost and expense of the owner/developer, make arrangements for the following:

### **Engineering**

- 2.1 Arrangements are to be made to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Engineering Services, the Director of Legal Services and the Approving Officer for the consolidation of Lots 16 and 17 of Lot 5, Block 3, District Lot 526, Plan 5701 to create a single parcel and subdivision of that site to result in the dedication of the East 10 feet for road purposes. A subdivision is required to effect the dedication. A subdivision plan and application to the Subdivision and Strata Group is required. For general information, see the subdivision website at: <http://vancouver.ca/home-property-development/apply-to-subdivide-or-join-properties.aspx>
- 2.2 Arrangements, which may include legal agreements to secure access through the vehicle ramp within future development on the adjacent property at 6151 Granville Street (Lot 15, Block 5 of Block 3, District Lot 526, Plan 5701).
- 2.3 Provision of a Services Agreement to detail the on- and off-site works and services necessary or incidental to the servicing of the Rezoning Site (collectively called the “Services”) such that they are designed, constructed and installed at no cost to the City and all necessary street dedications and rights-of-way for the Services are provided all to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Engineering Services. No development permit for the Rezoning Site, or any portion thereof, or for any building or improvements thereon will be issued until the letter of credit, as security for the Services, is provided. The timing for the delivery of the Services shall be determined by the General Manager of Engineering Services in his sole discretion and holds shall be placed on such permits as deemed necessary in his sole discretion. Except as explicitly provided for in Condition 2.4(a), the Services are not excess and/or extended services and the applicant is not entitled to a Latecomer Agreement.

Note to Applicant: For general Latecomer Policy information refer to the website at <https://vancouver.ca/home-property-development/latecomer-policy.aspx#redirect>



- (a) Provision of adequate water service to meet the fire flow demands of the project.
- i. Based on the confirmed Fire Underwriter's Survey Required Fire Flows and domestic flows submitted by Aplin & Martin Consultants Ltd. dated February 14, 2022, no water main upgrades are required to service the development.

Note to Applicant: The main servicing the proposed development is 300 mm along Granville St or 300 mm along W 45th Ave. The maximum water service size is 300 mm. The developer is responsible for 100% of the cost of any upgrades to the water system.

Note to Applicant: Should the development's Fire Underwriter's Survey Required Fire Flow calculation change as the building design progresses, a resubmission to the City of Vancouver Waterworks Engineer is required for re-evaluation of the Water System.

- (b) Provision of adequate sewer (storm and sanitary) service to meet the demands of the project.
- i. Implementation of development(s) at 6137 Granville St and 1522 W 45th Ave require the following in order to MAINTAIN ACCEPTABLE sewer flow conditions.

The post-development 5-year flow rate discharged to the storm sewer shall be no greater than the 5-year pre-development flow rate. The pre-development estimate shall utilize the 2014 IDF curves, whereas the post-development estimate shall utilize the 2100 IDF curves to account for climate change. This shall be demonstrated by preparation of a Rainwater Management Plan with all necessary supporting calculations and drawings prior to the issuance of the development permit.

Note to Applicant: Development to be serviced to the existing 750 mm COMB sewer in Granville St.

- (c) Provision of street improvements along Granville St adjacent to the site and appropriate transitions including the following:
- i. 1.83 m (6.0 ft) wide front boulevard (measured from the back of the existing curb) with street trees where space permits;
- ii. 2.44 m (8.0 ft) wide broom finish saw-cut concrete sidewalk;
- iii. curb ramps;
- (d) Provision of street improvements along W 45th Ave adjacent to the site and appropriate transitions including the following:
- i. 2.14 m (7.0 ft) wide broom finish saw-cut concrete sidewalk;
- ii. curb ramps;

- (e) Provision of improvements at the intersection of Granville St and W 45th Ave including:
  - i. upgrades to the existing traffic signal including accessible pedestrian signals (APS);
  - ii. entire intersection lighting upgrade to current City standards and IESNA recommendations.

- (f) Provision of new or replacement duct banks adjacent the development site that meet current City standards. Duct banks are to consist of electrical and communication ducts sized to meet City needs in a configuration acceptable by the General Manager of Engineering Services and in conformance with applicable electrical codes and regulations. A detailed design will be required prior to the start of any associated street work.

Note to Applicant: As-constructed documentation will be required that includes photographic and measured evidence of the installed number of conduits, their final locations and depths.

- (g) Provision of upgraded street lighting (roadway and sidewalk) adjacent to the site to current City standards and IESNA recommendations.

Note to Applicant: A lighting simulation is required prior to DP issuance.

- (h) Provision to reconstruct the laneway adjacent the site to City "Higher Zoned Lane" pavement structure specifications with a centre valley cross section. Relocate existing catch basins in the laneway to the lane's centerline as required.
- (i) Provision of a new standard concrete lane crossing, new curb returns and curb ramps at the existing lane crossing on W 45th Ave adjacent to the site.
- (j) Provision of speed humps in the lane west of Granville St between W 45th Ave and W 47th Ave.
- (k) Provision of lane lighting on standalone poles with underground ducts if BC Hydro poles with attached City lane lights planned to be removed. The ducts must be connected to the existing City street lighting infrastructure.
- (l) Provision for the installation of parking regulatory signage on streets adjacent to the site to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Engineering Services.

2.4 Provision of one or more Latecomer Agreements to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Engineering Services and the Director of Legal Services for the following works, which constitute excess and/or extended services:

- (a) Improvements at the intersection of Granville St and W 45th Ave per condition 2.3 (e)

Note to Applicant: The benefiting area for these works is under review.

Note to Applicant: An administrative recovery charge will be required from the applicant in order to settle the latecomer agreement. The amount, which will be commensurate with the costs incurred by the City to administer the latecomer scheme, will be provided by the City and specified in the latecomer agreement.

- 2.5 Provision of all third party utility services (e.g., BC Hydro, Telus and Shaw) to be underground. BC Hydro service to the site shall be primary.

BC Hydro System Vista, Vista switchgear, pad mounted transformers, low profile transformers and kiosks as well as telecommunications kiosks are to be located on private property with no reliance on public property for placement of these features. Submission of a written confirmation from BC Hydro that all these items will be located on the development property.

For questions on this requirement, please contact Utilities Management Branch at 604-829-9447 or at [umb@vancouver.ca](mailto:umb@vancouver.ca).

## **Housing**

- 2.6 Make arrangements to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability and the Director of Legal Services to enter into a Housing Agreement and a Section 219 Covenant to secure all residential units as secured market rental housing units, excluding Seniors Supportive or Assisted Housing, pursuant to the City's Secured Rental Policy, for a term equal to the longer of 60 years and the life of the building, subject to a no-separate-sales covenant and a no-stratification covenant, and such other terms and conditions as the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability and the Director of Legal Services may require.

Note to Applicant: This condition will be secured by a Housing Agreement to be entered into by the City at by-law enactment pursuant to Section 565.2 of the Vancouver Charter and a Section 219 Covenant.

- 2.7 If eligible tenants are identified to be residing on the site, the applicant will deliver a Tenant Relocation Plan to the satisfaction of the General Manager Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability and will enter into a 219 Covenant and/or such other agreements as the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability and the Director of Legal Services determine are necessary to require the applicant to:
- a) Provide a Tenant Relocation Plan to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability as per the Tenant Relocation and Protection Policy.
  - b) Provide a notarized declaration prior to issuance of the Development Permit that demonstrates that each tenant has been given written notice of the intent to redevelop the property; that indicates the number of units occupied on the date of the notice; and includes copies of a letter addressed to each tenant summarizing the Tenant Relocation Plan offer and signed as received by each tenant.

- c) Provide a Final Tenant Relocation Report prior to issuance of the Occupancy Permit. The Report must outline the names of tenants; indicate the outcome of their search for alternate accommodations; summarize the total monetary value given to each tenant (moving costs, rents, any other compensation); and include a summary of all communication provided to the tenants.

### **Environmental Contamination**

2.8 As applicable:

- (a) Submit a site disclosure statement to Environmental Services (Environmental Protection);
- (b) As required by the Manager of Environmental Services and the Director of Legal Services, in their discretion, do all things and/or enter into such agreements deemed necessary to fulfill the requirements of Section 571(B) of the Vancouver Charter; and
- (c) If required by the Manager of Environmental Services and the Director of Legal Services, in their discretion, enter into a remediation agreement for the remediation of the site and any contaminants which have migrated from the site on terms and conditions satisfactory to the Manager of Environmental Services, the General Manager of Engineering Services and Director of Legal Services, including a Section 219 Covenant that there will be no occupancy of any buildings or improvements constructed on the site pursuant to this rezoning until separate Certificates of Compliance, satisfactory to the City, for the on-site and off-site contamination, issued by the BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, have been provided to the City.

Note to Applicant: Where the Director of Legal Services deems appropriate, the preceding agreements are to be drawn, not only as personal covenants of the property owners, but also as registerable charges pursuant to the Land Title Act.

The preceding agreements are to be registered in the appropriate Land Title Office, with priority over such other liens, charges and encumbrances affecting the subject site as is considered advisable by the Director of Legal Services, and otherwise to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services prior to enactment of the By-law and at no cost to the City.

The preceding agreements shall provide security to the City including indemnities, warranties, equitable charges, letters of credit and withholding of permits, as deemed necessary by and in a form satisfactory to the Director of Legal Services. The timing of all required payments, if any, shall be determined by the appropriate City official having responsibility for each particular agreement, who may consult other City officials and City Council.

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**1522 West 45th Ave and 6137 Granville Street**  
**DRAFT CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENT**

**DRAFT AMENDMENT TO THE SUBDIVISION BY-LAW NO. 5208**

Council amends Schedule A of the Subdivision By-law in accordance with the plan labelled Schedule A and attached to and forming part of this By-law, by deleting the following properties from the RS-1, RS-3, RS-3A, RS-5 and RS-6 maps forming part of Schedule A of the Subdivision By-law:

- (a) PID 004-289-323; Lot 16 of Lot 5 Block 3 District Lot 526 Plan 5701; and
- (b) PID 005-095-361; Lot 17 of Lot 5 Block 3 District Lot 526 Plan 5701.

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**1522 West 45th Ave and 6137 Granville Street  
PUBLIC CONSULTATION SUMMARY**

**1. Background of SRP Consultation**

A review of the City’s previous rental incentive programs began in late 2018 and led to an updated Secured Rental Policy in November 2019. In that initial round of work, two in-person public open houses were held, pedestrian intercept surveys were undertaken and a Talk Vancouver survey was available, in addition to stakeholder and industry engagement and a survey of residents living in buildings created through City incentive programs. In the following phases of work, between March 2020 and August 2021, City of Vancouver staff engaged residents through in-person and online virtual information sessions, surveys, and stakeholder engagement meetings. This process included six in-person public information sessions (attended by over 800 residents), 10 stakeholder workshops, an online comment form (400 responses received), the Shape Your City project webpage (5,000 visitors), 2 online public information sessions (102 attendees), as well as public and development industry one-on-one sessions (attended by 18 residents and 15 industry representatives).

**2. List of Engagement Events, Notification, and Responses**

	<b>Date</b>	<b>Results</b>
<b>Event</b>		
Virtual open house (City-led)	May 16 to June 5, 2022	78 participants (aware)* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 34 informed</li> <li>• 18 engaged</li> </ul>
<b>Public Notification</b>		
Postcard distribution – Notice of rezoning application and virtual open house	May 12, 2022	445
<b>Public Responses</b>		
Online questions	May 2022 to August 2022	1 submittals
Online comment forms <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shape Your City platform</li> </ul>	May 2022 to August 2022	26 submittals
Overall position <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• support</li> <li>• opposed</li> <li>• mixed</li> </ul>	May 2022 to August 2022	26 submittals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 21 responses</li> <li>• 3 responses</li> <li>• 2 responses</li> </ul>
Other input- email	May 2022 to August 2022	2 submittals
<b>Online Engagement – Shape Your City Vancouver</b>		

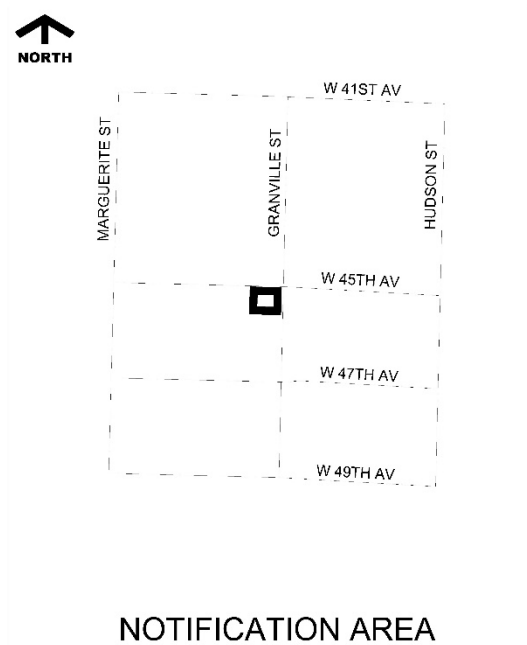
Total participants during online engagement period	May 2022 to August 2022	209 participants (aware)* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 52 informed</li> <li>• 23 engaged</li> </ul>
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Note: All reported numbers above are approximate.

\* The Shape Your City platform allows staff to capture more nuanced levels of engagement associated with the rezoning application, categorized as:

- **Aware:** Number of unique visitors to the application webpage that viewed only the main page.
- **Informed:** Visitors who viewed documents or the video/photo gallery associated with the application; *informed* participants are a subset of *aware* participants.
- **Engaged:** Visitors that submitted a comment form or asked a question; *engaged* participants are a subset of *informed* and *aware* participants.

### 3. Map of Notification Area



### 4. Analysis of All Comments Received

Below is a summary of feedback received from the public by topic.

Generally, comments of support fell within the following areas:

- **Height, massing, density, location:** Comments expressed that height and density are appropriate. There is general support of building additional density along arterials such

as Granville Street and creating rental units in neighbourhoods such as Shaughnessy as it diversifies housing options within the community.

- **Rental Stock:** Comments expressed support for the increase of rental stock that this rezoning will provide to both the community and the city.
- **Overall Support:** Overall support for this project was expressed.

Generally, comments of concern fell within the following areas:

- **Process:** Some comments noted that projects that do not include a form of development should not be considered.
- **Traffic and Safety:** With a neighbouring seniors care building, there is concern around creating a safe environment for active modes of transportation such as cycling and walking. Some comments proposed closing w 45<sup>th</sup> avenue to create a more welcoming pedestrian realm.

The following miscellaneous comments were received from the public (note: these were topics that were not ranked as highly as above).

*General comments of support:*

- This development will help support care aids and related professionals working at the nearby seniors' home.
- The height of this development is appropriate.
- Support for creating affordable housing units throughout the city.

*General comments of concern:*

- The proposed rezoning will negatively impact the community's character and surrounding residents.
- Concerns about the affordability levels this development will provide to future residents.
- Lack of parking spaces in this development may create parking bottlenecks.
- The creation of rental homes will cause noise and disruption to surrounding residents.
- The development will intrude on the privacy of surrounding homes.

*Neutral comments/suggestions/recommendations:*

- Support for higher density than proposed.
- Bus stops near this development should be upgraded.
- The integration of mixed-use buildings would help improve the streetscape of the area.
- Rezoning applications that provide rental housing should have an expedited process.

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1522 West 45th Avenue and 6137 Granville Street  
PUBLIC BENEFITS SUMMARY

**Project Summary**

Rezoning to RR-2B District to facilitate an apartment development.

**Public Benefit Summary**

The project would provide secured market rental units and would generate a DCL contribution.

	Base Zoning	Proposed Zoning <sup>1</sup>
Zoning District	RS-3	RR-2B
FSR of Base Zoning and FSR of Base Density (site area = 2,272 sq. m / 24,459 sq. ft.)	0.2 plus 130 sq. m	2.4
Floor Area	714.6 sq. m (7,691.9 sq. ft.)	5,455.2 sq. m (58,719.3 sq. ft.)
Land Use	Residential	Residential Rental

**Summary of development contributions anticipated under proposed zoning**

City-wide DCL <sup>1,2</sup>	\$1,175,542
Utilities DCL <sup>1</sup>	\$698,749
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,874,291</b>

**Other benefits (not-quantified components):** All residential units to be rental housing (non-stratified) all secured for the longer of 60 years and the life of the building.

<sup>1</sup> Based on by-laws in effect as of September 30, 2022 and assumes the development maximizes the allowable density. DCLs are payable at building permit issuance based on rates in effect at that time and the floor area proposed at the development permit stage. DCL by-laws are subject to future adjustment by Council including annual inflationary adjustments. A development may qualify for 12 months of instream rate protection. See the City's [DCL Bulletin](#) for more details.

<sup>2</sup> This application is eligible for a waiver of the City-wide DCL, however the applicant has elected not to seek the waiver. As per Section 3.1B of the Vancouver Development Cost Levy By-law, the applicant's decision regarding the waiver for projects requiring rezoning is to be made at the rezoning application stage and the relevant requirements should be secured in the conditions of enactment. Should the applicant wish to request a DCL waiver at a later stage, the application would be expected to return to Council for a subsequent public hearing to amend the rezoning condition.

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**1522 West 45th Avenue and 6137 Granville Street  
APPLICANT, PROPERTY, AND DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL INFORMATION**

**Property Information**

Address	Property Identifier (PID)	Legal Description
1522 W 45th Avenue	005-095-361	Lot 17 of Lot 5 Block 3 District Lot 526 Plan 5701
6137 Granville Street	004-289-323	Lot 16 of Lot 5 Block 3 District Lot 526 Plan 5701

**Applicant Information**

Applicant	Intracorp Homes
Property Owner	Amica Seniors Granville Inc.

**Site Statistics**

Site Area	2,273 sq. m (24,466 sq. ft.); Site dimensions 43 m (141 ft.) x 52.8 m (173 ft.)
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**Development Statistics**

	Permitted Under Existing Zoning	Development Permitted Under Proposed Zoning
Zoning	RS-3	RR-2B
Uses	Single-detached Houses and Duplexes (Residential)	Residential Rental (Residential)
Maximum Density	0.20 FSR plus 130 sq. m per lot	Up to 2.40 FSR
Floor Area	714.6 sq. m (7,691.9 sq. ft.)	Up to 5,455.2 sq. m (58,719.3 sq. ft.)
Height	10.7 m (35.1 ft.)	Up to 5 storeys (at the street): 16.8 m (55 ft.)
Unit Mix	n/a	as per RR-2B District
Parking, Loading and Bicycle Spaces	as per Parking By-law	as per Parking By-law
Natural Assets		To be assessed at the development permit stage

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