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2023-09-14	12:01	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	I am a young professional in Richmond and I want a future where I can afford to live here! This is a great step to address the housing crisis. If Vancouver passes this, it will help other surrounding cities commit to middle housing as well!	Gilbert Fung	I do not live in Vancouver	
2023-09-14	12:10	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	As many others have written, this proposed amendment doesn't go far enough in supporting housing development across the city. Please consider further amendments to increase density, including four and six-storey buildings through the new R1-1 zone to provide true missing middle housing in Vancouver. Thanks!	Brent Constantine	Grandview-Woodland	
2023-09-14	12:14	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	I am a renter in Vancouver and have lived through a landlord re-claiming the unit in bad faith for "personal use". When this happened I had to find a new place to live relatively quickly and it was extremely difficult. We need more housing density in this city; the missing middle is very evident especially in Mount Pleasant. I am totally in support of expanding zoning to allow for housing density so that the city can grow with its needs.	Grace Smith	Mount Pleasant	
2023-09-14	12:21	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	I support mass upzoning of all areas, especially on major thoroughfares. Having a single family home on a street like Kingsway, for example, makes no sense. Major routes already have regular bus service and should be allowed to have at least low rises.	Thomas Breffitt	Kensington-Cedar Cottage	
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2023-09-14	12:23	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	Vancouver's beautiful setting and amazing culture attracts people from across Canada and around the world. As a Vancouver-born resident, I struggle to see my friends and family moving away due to lack of affordability or suitable housing. Vancouver indeed needs density outside of the downtown core and Broadway corridor, including the kind of housing that is suitable for families. Low-rises, townhomes, duplexes and laneways all contribute "gentle density" to neighbourhoods, and are often good options for families. Moreover, increased supply of these homes may alleviate pressure on one and two bedroom apartments and condos. Vancouver must eliminate as many barriers as possible to reasonably increase the housing supply. If we do not, we run the very real risk of becoming a city that only houses the wealthy or subsidized - leaving our middle income earners to commute from the suburbs, or leave the region entirely.	Shaena Furlong	Sunset	
2023-09-14	12:24	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	Support	Nicola Parker	Downtown	
2023-09-14	12:28	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	The state of housing in Vancouver is ridiculous. We need more diverse housing options. We need neighbourhoods opened for new kinds of development.	Andy Fedorchuk	Mount Pleasant	
2023-09-14	12:38	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	Please pass the multiplex housing reform or missing middle housing. It is long overdue in Vancouver	Joseph Tassone	I do not live in Vancouver	
2023-09-14	12:40	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	I am writing to express my strong support for the missing middle housing initiative in our city. The proposed introduction of multiplexes in low-density neighborhoods is a much needed move towards diversifying our housing options. This initiative is long overdue and addresses the pressing need for affordable and diverse housing solutions in our community.	Helene Meddings	Mount Pleasant	

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2023-09-14	12:46	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	This is greatly needed.	Pamela Anderson	Mount Pleasant	
2023-09-14	12:58	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	I support densification in Vancouver, particularly the adoption of measures to increase missing middle housing. Vancouver's tendency to only build detached SFH in vast swathes of the city is a major land use problem that must be remedied.	Javed Akhtar	Hastings-Sunrise	
2023-09-14	13:00	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	The city needs more missing middle housing and development in the Kits, Shaughnessy, Cambie Corridor, and Point Grey. I am a full time resident doctor, and despite working 80 hours this week, I have taken the time to comment here because I believe in the importance of densification in these neighbourhoods. However, we have an opportunity to make this a thought out process, and I would applaud efforts to continue making the city more accessible by walking, cycling, and transit while we build. We should also prioritize large trees.	Paul Azzopardi	South Cambie	
2023-09-14	13:02	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	Just approve it already, thank you.	Eduardo Vega		

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2023-09-14	13:18	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	<p>It's time to address exorbitant commodification of housing in this city. Look at satellite view imagery of the City of Vancouver. It's mostly single-family homes on residential lots.</p> <p>Vancouver NEEDS housing, and the City of Vancouver has not pulled its weight in comparison to adjacent municipalities in the Metro Vancouver region.</p> <p>It's common to hear that permit and planning is drastically delaying construction progress and by addressing this with the consolidation of residential RS zones to one inclusive RS-1 designation will help ease this.</p> <p>FOLLOW your staff recommendations, of which consists urban design planners and civil engineers. Public hearings after public hearings when the general consensus is FOR constantly erodes public trust in the civil institution.</p> <p>The missing middle is only one part of many changes we are hopeful to see.</p>	Shahriar Haji Ali Akbari Mehrizi		
2023-09-14	13:33	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	I approve rezoning for higher density	Shaun Suha Kurultay	Dunbar-Southlands	
2023-09-14	13:35	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	I support this and RT zones should be included as well.	Winnie Eng	Kensington-Cedar Cottage	
2023-09-14	13:40	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	As a Vancouver native and 3rd gen British Columbian who works in healthcare/addictions, even most rentals are out of my reach and I have no hope of ever being a homeowner. I'm certainly in support of all levels of housing being made available to people in all communities. If we want our city to start thriving and attracting talent, we need to become more accessible and affordable to all.	Kristen Halliday	Mount Pleasant	

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2023-09-14	13:41	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	I support easing zoning requirements to allow for missing middle housing.	Mitchell Beavis	Fairview	

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2023-09-14	13:47	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	<p>I strongly support this initiative.</p> <p>We are a working-professional couple who love the City and our community. We want the opportunity to remain in our neighbourhood and raise a family. Detached home purchase is completely out-of-reach for anyone but the ultra-wealthy.</p> <p>I believe that maintaining the status quo will result in what we are already seeing as a result of housing unaffordability: families will leave, businesses will close, and communities will falter. Please increase distributed housing density!</p>	Chris Duncan	Kitsilano	
2023-09-14	13:49	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	<p>I think that making it easier to build denser configurations on historic single-family home lots is a great thing for the city. I can't imagine that there would be a drastic change in neighbourhoods in the city as a result of these changes. However, providing the opportunity for multiplexes is great for adding diversity in housing options throughout the city.</p>	Nyan Saik Krat	Kensington-Cedar Cottage	
2023-09-14	13:57	PH 2 - 1. Adding Missing Middle Housing and Simplifying Regulations – Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law	Support	<p>I live on 7th avenue and let me tell you. I love living in a 3-4 story rental apartment next to houses that's next to a workshop next to a restaurant, next to a lab that's next to someones house. These forms of building are legal across many countries and specially very progress ones like Japan and Germany. It is baffling that we cripple businesses and households by holding 80% of Metro Vancouver locked in time to only big single-detached houses that are now shooting upwards of 3-4M. That is unaffordable for everyone. While 600k-1M flats and apartment units are not the ideal visions of affordability, at least they are attainable.</p> <p>Also this policy needs to be complimented with higher FSR ratios as the current ones are abysmally low to build anything financially viable. Parking minimum and arbitrary building heights and setbacks need to be relaxed as well. These policies are being changed and abolished across US and Canada (Toronto, Edmonton). They cripple the viability of buildings by cutting precious floor space and make buildings 20-30% more expensive in order to house private vehicles.</p> <p>I know that the city council will come to terms with the housing crisis we are having and make policies that reflect and make sense. As a young professional right now I have 0 hope of every owning a dwelling I can call home.</p>	Amir Basiratnia	Fairview	