

**PH 1 - 1. Rezoning: 2560-2580 Trafalgar Street - Oppose**

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2023-09-27	23:36	PH 1 - 1. Rezoning: 2560-2580 Trafalgar Street	Oppose	<p>Dear Mayor Sim and Councillors:</p> <p>The City of Vancouver is in a race against time to pass as much housing as possible. Only yesterday our provincial housing minister said Vancouver must deliver 48,000 new homes over the next five years to ensure there are enough houses for its growing population. I worry that in order to reach these targets, the City will lose sight of the importance of preserving Vancouver's heritage and character houses. Major plans the City is passing —The Missing Middle Housing Plan, The Vancouver and Broadway Plans — do not bode well for these precious older homes that for many are important reminders of their history. These houses can and should be reused and adapted to provide homes for people in need.</p> <p>Now more than ever we need to save our inventory of heritage and character houses, most of which do not have any protection at all. The question is whether the City has the political will to make this a priority. At the Missing Middle Housing public hearing, Green Councillor Adriane Carr and ABC Cllr. Peter Meiszner threw their support behind saving Vancouver's older homes: "I'm a great believer that touchstones in our landscape give us a sense of knowing who we are, where we've come from...." said Cllr. Carr. "It's very important we don't take any steps that are going to disincentivize retaining character homes," added Cllr. Peter Meiszner.</p> <p>I urge you to send these plans back to staff and come up with a better plan that retains the older home on this property.</p>	evelyn jacob	Kitsilano	