

CD-1 Rezoning: 2156-2174 West 14th Avenue - Support

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2024-11-12	18:48	CD-1 Rezoning: 2156-2174 West 14th Avenue	Support	<p>Dear Mayor and Councillors,</p> <p>As a longtime resident of this city, I'm pleased to see this proposal move this far, and hope that it will be passed, and moreover that proposals like this will be allowed in most of the city without excessive fuss in the future.</p> <p>May characters writing in about this topic seem to believe that there is no harm in concentrating housing on major streets. This is wildly untrue.</p> <p>Major streets are exposed to substantial noise and pollution, much more than even sites half a block away. This pollution has substantial impacts on health and wellbeing, as I experienced during my 8 years living fronting Hastings Street. Metro Vancouver reports that living near major roadways is a known risk factor for respiratory symptoms and cardiovascular problems. UBC Faculty of medicine reports that major roads are linked with dementia, Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, and other maladies. The US National Institute of Health has reported studies finding that kids living near major roads suffer developmental delays. Against this, we have vague assertions that big buildings next to small buildings make some people unhappy sometimes. This is an intolerable horror we are told by some who are themselves the architects of the bad planning paradigms that have put us in this mess, for which other lesser people must breathe car exhaust and brake dust.</p> <p>If it weren't for that, the policy of concentrating development on arterials tends to concentrate the land value impacts of development in our undersupplied city. Such policies specifically target high street businesses with higher property taxes and greater redevelopment pressure, while ensuring that land available for development remains expensive and housing needs can only be met at higher price points.</p> <p>No one should have to breath car exhaust in their home just because some area millionaires are precious about larger buildings. Even if it weren't for that, it's simply more important to build more housing than it is to balm the jumpy aesthetic preferences of area landowners.</p> <p>You have many more such developments to approve, I recommend finding ways for them to be approved administratively.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p> <p>Brendan Dawe</p>	Brendan Dawe	West End	

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2024-11-12	19:33	CD-1 Rezoning: 2156-2174 West 14th Avenue	Support	We desperately need more housing. Our adult children cannot otherwise afford to remain in the same city as their aging parents.	Deborah Choi	Oakridge	