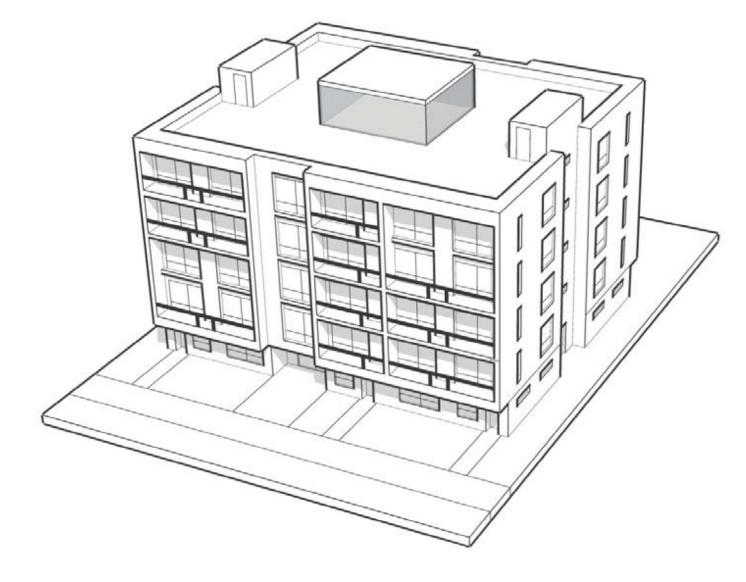
RR-2B Rezoning: 859-883 East 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 4895 St. Catherines Street

Public Hearing July 10, 2025





# **Existing Site and Context**



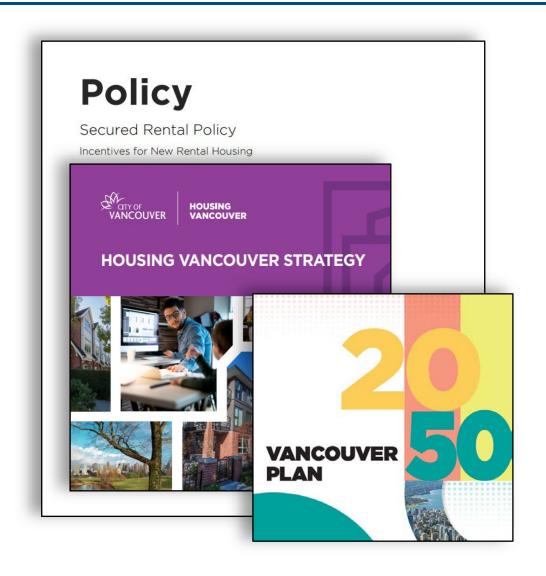


## **Local Amenities and Services**





# **Enabling Policy**

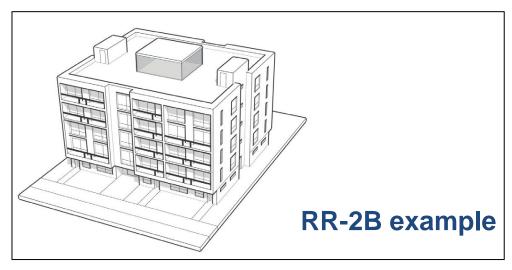


#### **Secured Rental Policy (SRP)**

- Encourages construction of new purpose-built rental housing in Vancouver, in line with Housing Vancouver Strategy and Vancouver Plan
- Updates in 2021 to simplify the rezoning process for rental housing in low-density transition areas near transit, shopping and other community amenities
  - Followed extensive public and stakeholder engagement
  - New Residential Rental (RR) district schedules
  - Mapping to refine areas eligible for rezoning to RR zones and clarify location criteria

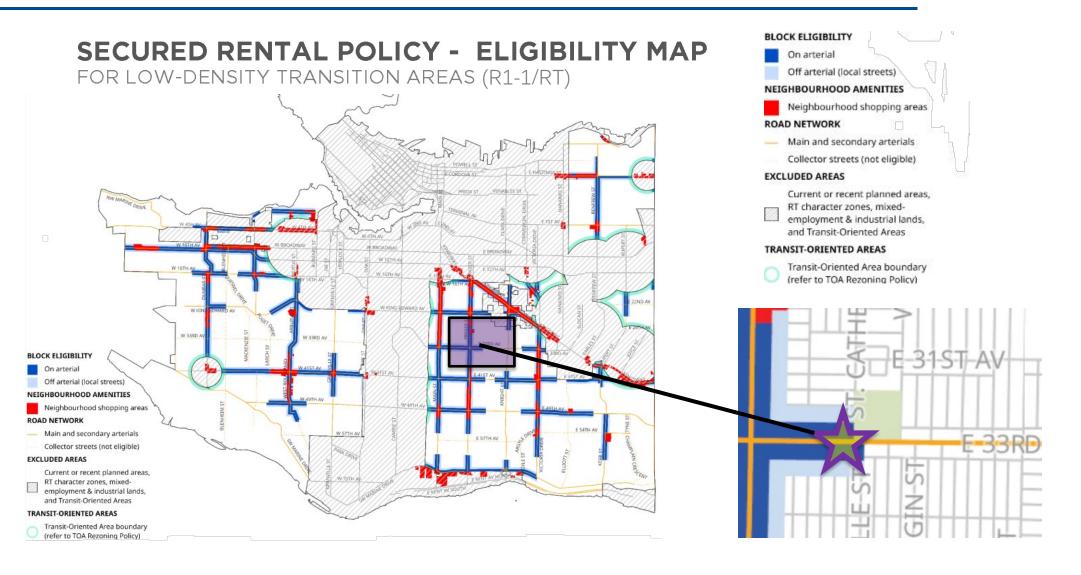
## Residential Rental (RR) Rezoning Process

- Simplified rezoning process for RR district schedules
- Accompanying design guidelines set form of development expectations
- Specific building design will be reviewed through a future development permit process, with continued public feedback





### **Location – On Arterial**



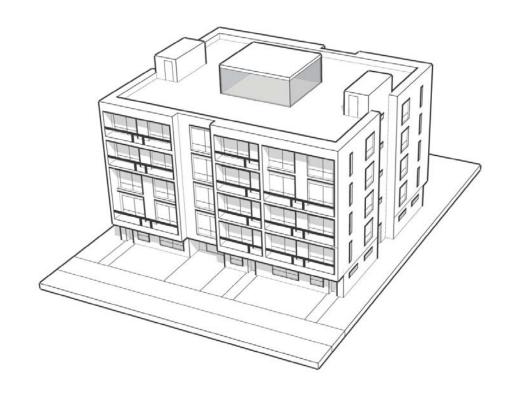
# **Eligible District Schedule Options**

District Schedule	Height	FSR	Below Market	Mixed-use
RR-2A	4-storeys	1.75 to 2.0 FSR	Not required	Not permitted
RR-2B	5-storeys	2.2 to 2.4 FSR	Not required	Not permitted
RR-2C	6-storeys	2.4 to 2.7 FSR	Required — a minimum of 20% below market of the residential floor area	Not permitted
RR-3A	4-storeys	2.4 to 2.5 FSR	Not required	Required
RR-3B	6-storeys	3.4 to 3.5 FSR	Required — a minimum of 20% below market of the residential floor area	Required

# **Proposal**

#### **RR-2B District Schedule**

- Use: Rental apartment building
- Height: Up to 5 storeys
- Density: Up to 2.4 FSR



# **Cost of Renting**



	Newer Rental Buildings – Eastside			
	Average Market Rent <sup>1</sup>	Average Household Income Served		
Studio	\$1,879	\$75,160		
1-bed	\$2.194	\$87,760		
2-bed	\$2,880	\$115,200		
3-bed	\$3,815	\$152,600		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Data from the October 2024 CMHC Rental Market Survey for apartments in purpose-built rental buildings completed in the year 2015 or later on the Eastside of Vancouver.

### **Public Consultation**

Postcards Mailed October 1, 2024

City-hosted Q&A Period October 2 to October 15, 2024

Postcards distributed	815
Questions	5
Comment forms	20
Other input	0
Total	25



#### **Comments of support**

- Height and density appropriate for the location
- Increase in overall rental housing stock in the City

#### **Comments of concern**

- Increased vehicle congestion in the neighbourhood
- Parking availability
- Proximity to another development nearby

## Response to Feedback

### **Traffic and Parking**

- Installation of parking regulatory signage on streets adjacent to the site
- Proposal to meet the Parking By-law at the time of development permit

### **Proximity to nearby development**

Proposed use and form of development is consistent with the Secured Rental Policy

### **Public Benefits**

- Development cost levies (DCLs) of \$2,388,913
- Applicant not pursuing the waiver

\*Additional benefits include secured rental units through a housing agreement

## **Conclusion**

- Complies with the Secured Rental Policy
- Recommend approval to rezone to RR-2B District Schedule, with the form of development reviewed through the development permit process



Illustrative example of a 5-storey apartment building