

DEFEND OUR CITY  
PREVENT THE MASS REZONING  
OF 18 VANCOUVER NEIGHBOURHOODS

## FORUM

**REZONING: 'WHERE DO YOU STAND?'**

WE EXPECT TO HEAR FROM THE MAYOR,  
CITY COUNCILLORS,  
AND PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATES  
IN VANCOUVER'S UPCOMING MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

**PLEASE ATTEND!**

Collingwood Neighbourhood House  
5288 Joyce St (near the Joyce Station)

**Friday Oct 19 at 6:30 PM**

**Developer interests** are dictating Vancouver City Council's agenda.

**EcoDensity pretends to be about the environment, but it's really about private profit.** City Council claims that mass rezoning will result in affordable housing and a healthier environment. The truth is that as the City makes way for expensive condos, low-income residents will get pushed out of their homes by skyrocketing taxes (taxes recently increased up to 70% in the Kingsway & Knight area), low rental properties (including many basement suites) will be eliminated, and the new condos will sell at top prices.

**There are NO plans to increase parks, community facilities, or public transit** to serve the larger populations. This will make for a more crowded, more polluted environment.

**Spot rezoning** has already been done to allow the building of car-oriented big-box grocery stores and skyscrapers, like the 22-story tower at the corner of Kingsway & Nanaimo, and the stripping of green areas from single-family lots to build multiple dwellings, as has happened at 39th & Dunbar. Heritage streetscapes have been destroyed.

**Now City Council wants** to mass rezone entire areas of our city.

**In the 'Norquay' area (Gladstone to Killarney, and 24th to 41st)** all 2,400 single-family lots have been earmarked for rezoning, to have from three to six housing units built on each existing lot.

**Eighteen other Vancouver neighbourhoods are also threatened with this type of densification: Kingsway & Joyce, Main St., Victoria Dr., Fraser St., Hastings, Renfrew & 1st, Cambie, King Edward & Oak, Dunbar, Kerrisdale Village, W. 10th, Arbutus Village, and others.** Arbutus Village shopping mall is to lose its green areas to allow for expensive private condo development.

**All of this is happening without proper consultation.** The Draft Plan for Norquay tramples our existing Renfrew-Collingwood Community Vision ([www.vcn.bc.ca/norquay/rcvision.html](http://www.vcn.bc.ca/norquay/rcvision.html)). The Community Vision prioritizes parks, community decision-making, single family neighbourhoods, seniors' housing, and services.

**It's time to speak up and find out who are friends are!**

Demand that City plans must be debated at well advertised neighbourhood public meetings where pro and con presentations are given equal time and residents are allowed to pass motions and elect committees to work with the City.

Find out who the prospective municipal candidates are, and where they stand on this issue.

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**IN FALL 2008 VOTE AGAINST ANY CITY COUNCILLOR WHO SELLS OUT TO SPECULATORS**

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