

December 6, 2024
City of Richmond – Mayor’s Office
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To the Mayor and Council Members of the City of Richmond,

In November 2023, the provincial government introduced new housing legislation with the aim to increase housing supply across the province. Subsequently, in June 2024, the City of Richmond amended the zoning of nearly 27,000 single-family and duplex lots to permit small-scale multi-unit housing under the provincial legislation.

In response to these changes, school district and city staff have been working collaboratively to assess the implications of the housing policy. We believe this legislation will result in an increase in smaller multi-unit housing projects that will impact enrolment projections across various school catchment areas in the Richmond School District.

The Board of Education respectfully requests that the City of Richmond applies the school site acquisition charge to the small-scale multi-unit housing developments in accordance with the provisions under the *Local Government Act*.

Please let us know if you would like to meet to discuss this matter. We look forward to your response and our continued collaboration in serving communities throughout Richmond.

Sincerely,

Ken Hamaguchi, Chairperson
On behalf of the Board of Education (Richmond)

cc: Trustees, School District No. 38 Richmond
Superintendent of Schools, School District No. 38 Richmond
Chief Administrative Officer, City of Richmond
Secretary Treasurer, School District No. 38 Richmond