## Housing Futures, Housing Solutions

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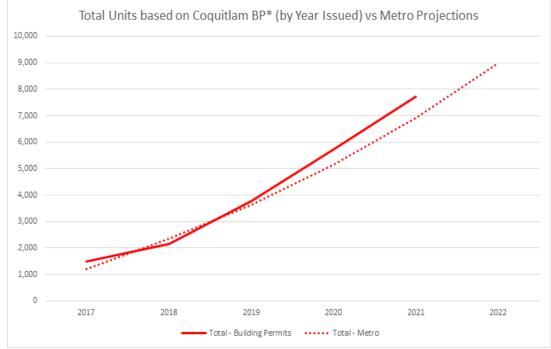


# Coquitlam at Glance

- Population 148,625 (2021 Census)
- Diverse Community over 40% of population born outside of Canada
- **Demography** younger than the Region as a whole
- **Growth** steady and consistent growth

### **Creating Housing Supply**

- 52,000+ units in-stream development
- 4283 units under construction
- Exceeding Metro Vancouver projections for growth
- Skytrain is an opportunity for compact, complete Transit Oriented Development (TOD)
- Partners in community building
- Clear, upfront development policies







#### **Rental Units**

12,000 rentals 4,300 under construction 10,200 m (500 under

#### 52,000 units in-process

1,200 non-market (330 under construction)

10,200 market rental (500 under construction)

12,200 rental units in-process



#### **Rental Incentives Program**

- Coquitlam has an incentive-based approach
  - Density bonus for secured rental housing
  - Portion of the rental are "priority unit types"
- Strong uptake from development community
- Leverages momentum of development
- Partnership is critical for senior government to increase affordability
- Granted \$14M+ over last 5 years through Affordable Housing Reserve Fund to support





## **Development Application Process Review (DAPR)**

- File Management since 2018, 40% reduction in average time to process first review letter
- Development & Building Permit Application
  Portal digital application intake and fees
  payment
- **Development Information Portal** -- improved tracking and record-keeping



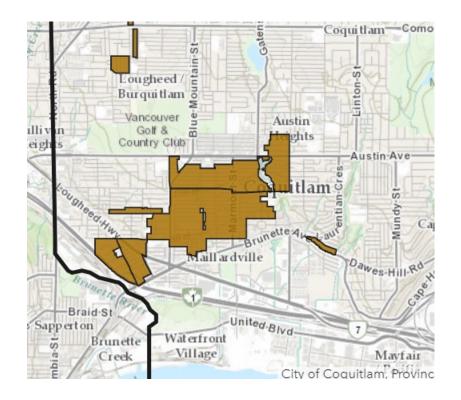






#### **Housing Choices Program**

- Program established in 2011 to provide new, ground-oriented housing options in existing single family areas
- Program review in 2017 to refine and address implementation challenges
- Currently 296 Housing Choices units under application or construction





#### **Housing Choices Standard Plans**

#### Objective:

To simplify and streamline the develc permit process for small developers

**Results:** 

- Time savings
- Cost savings
- High-quality housing





### **Coquitlam Success Story**

- Open, consultative community planning process
- Supportive community through rezoning and public hearing process
- Commitment to development and building approval processes
- Balanced, predictable, transparent approach with development community
- Mindful of impacts of construction





### **Questions?**

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## Thank you





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