

Expediting Development Approvals

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Who are the Homebuilders Association Vancouver?

- Recognized as leaders in the homebuilding industry since 1974 with a current membership of over 1,100+ developers, renovators, designers, suppliers, and sub-trades
- Our knowledgeable, trusted, resourceful local professionals build over 65% of Metro Vancouver's homes
- Provide both industry and consumer education, and work closely with all levels of government advocating for housing policy and processes that advances supply of new housing in an affordable and efficient manner.
- Engaged in development of DAPR report, member of Development Financing Review Committee, BC Energy Step Code Council and member of eight UDI Development Liaison Committees

Efficiency:

What changes are being made to facilitate ease of working applications through municipal, regional and provincial processes?

Reduced Timelines:

Are those changes having an on-the-ground effect of shortening timelines for builders and their teams?

Affordability:

Does decision-making and approval process have a negative or positive effect on affordability?

What our Industry Members Need:

Clarity and Certainty

- Municipal planning approval process
- Municipal charges imposed on new development
- Municipal approval times

Colloboration

- Homebuilders want to help your local government or housing organizations meet your housing targets!
- Remove bureaucracy and barriers and take a customer-focused approach to working with homebuilders and renovators.

Accountability

 Local governments meeting targets established locally, regionally and provincially and reporting out

Provincial Support for Industry

HAVAN and its membership is very pleased to see the BC Government putting in place serious, tangible, approaches to removing barriers and red-tape and the unnecessary, and costly, delays to getting homes built.

- Housing Supply Act
- Growing Communities Fund
- Secondary suite pilot project to incentive renovations
- One-stop approach for provincial ministry permitting processes
- New residential zoning measures to allow for multi-homes on a single lot

Federal Support Industry

While the 2023 Federal Budget investments for housing were not as generous as 2022's housing-centric budget, they continued to support policy and funding to advance housing supply.

- Federal Housing Accelerator Fund
- Foreign Buyers Ban
- Underused Housing Tax
- Addressing Skilled Trades Shortage

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