

Attachment 2

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Application	 Applies where the City has negotiation rights through Rezoning applications and Heritage Revitalization Agreements that involve the demolition of six or more purpose built market rental housing units within a multi-family building, or that involve the anticipated demolition of such units. Applies on a voluntary basis for Development or Demolition Permits. 		
	Where the Policy applies, applicants are required to:		
Requirements	 include a Tenant Assistance Plan as part of the preliminary report on the application to the City's Land Use and Planning Committee; 		
	 submit evidence that the Tenant Assistance Plan has been communicated to the tenants prior to the bylaw being forwarded for First and Second Readings; and, 		
	 demonstrate that the tasks in the Tenant Assistance Plan have been complete satisfactorily prior to receiving a Demolition Permit. 		
	 Prior to the issuance of a Demolition Permit for the property to be redeveloped, the applicant must provide a signed letter indicating that all of the commitments within the Tenant Assistance Plan have been satisfactorily met. 		
	A key component of the Policy to provide enhanced assistance beyond that of the Residential Tenancy Act for tenants displaced from their homes due to redevelopment.		
	Key pillars of the current Tenant Assistance Plan include:		
The Tennant Assistance Plan	 written commitment to provide at least four months' notice prior to eviction; 		
	 written commitment to provide compensation equal to or greater than the equivalent of three-months' rent to compensate for moving expenses, utility reconnection fees and other relocation costs; 		
	 documentation of the on-site applicable units, including the number of units (by bedroom type), rental rates and existing vacancy rates; 		
	 a strategy for assisting tenants in finding appropriate housing; and, 		
	 a plan to guide communications between the applicant and the tenants, including notice of all consultation events related to the application. 		

2023 Interim Tenant Protection Approach	rezon	23 as part of an Official Community Plan (OCP) amendment and ing application review at 909-915 Twelfth Street, staff facilitated an tenant protection approach that improved on the 2015 policy by:
	0	Applying to all market rental units on site (not just market rental buildings with six or more units);
	0	Requiring that assistance be provided by a Tenant Relocation Coordinator;
	0	Defining and requiring flat rate for moving support as \$750 (bachelor & 1 bed), \$1000 (2 bed) and, \$1250 (3+ bed); and,
	0	Requiring lump sum payments of three to six months' based on length of occupancy and calculated on the basis of CMHC average rents for New Westminster.