



Preliminary Report and Presentation: Crisis Response Bylaw Amendments



NEW WESTMINSTER

September 13, 2021

Presentation Outline

Background / Context

Existing Opportunity to be Responsive: 350-366 Fenton

New Opportunity to be Responsive: 68 Sixth Street

Preparing for Future Opportunities to be Responsive

Next Steps



Background

Provincial State of Emergency Declarations
BC Public Health Emergency Declarations
Regional Crises such as Homelessness Crisis

CMHC and Provincial Funding Opportunities
Rapid Housing Initiative

2019 – 2022 Strategic Plan
Regulatory Context

Small Sites Affordable Housing Program

October 2019 Council support in principle for use of following sites

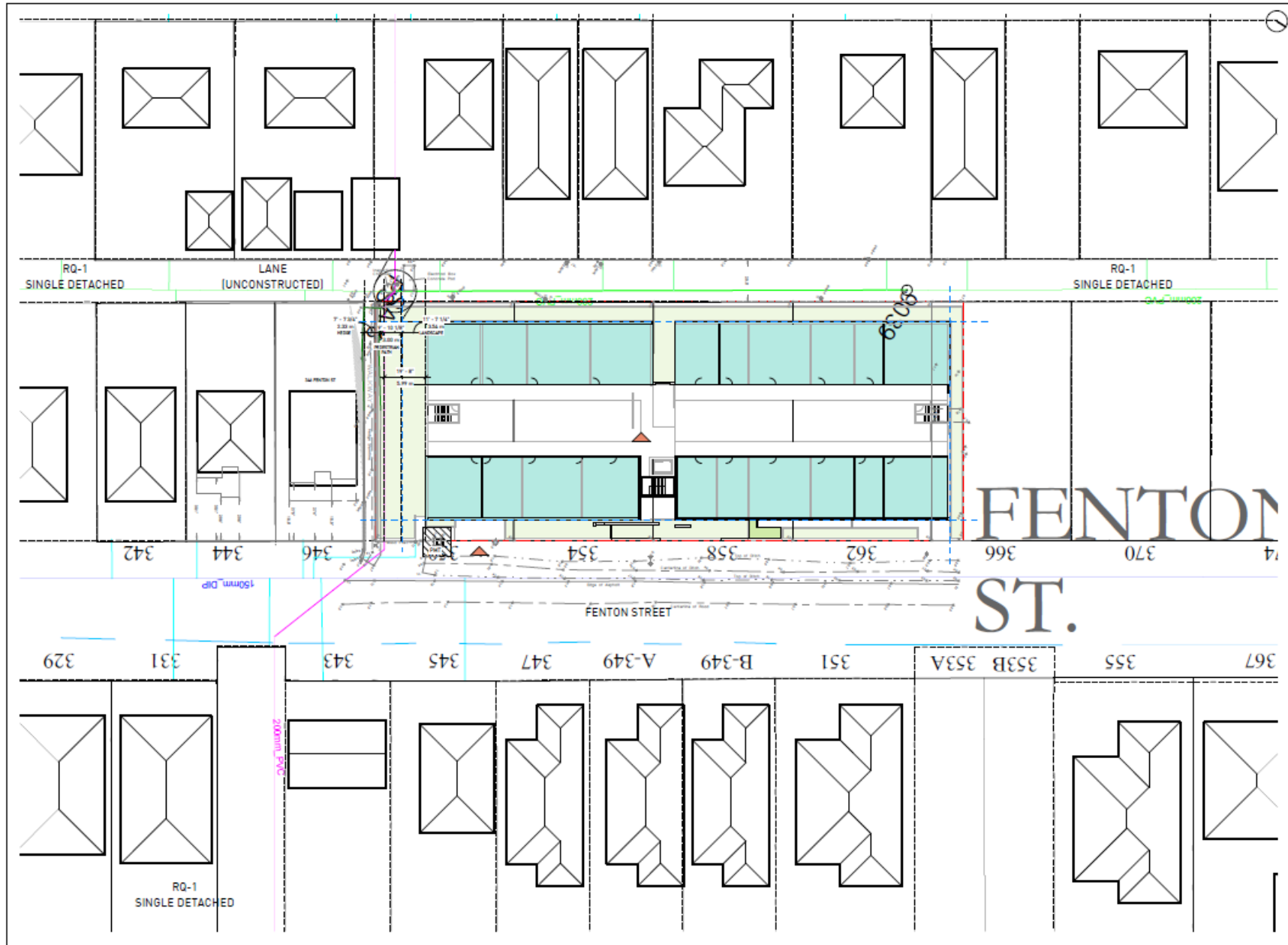
- 350 to 362 Fenton St. (Queensborough)
- 2035 London & 2038 Ninth (Connaught Heights)

Connaught Heights site subsequently excluded (July 2021)

350-366 Fenton Street

Indigenous Housing
Vancouver Native Housing Society
City-Owned Land
CMHC Funding - Capital
BC Housing - Operating





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No.	Date	Description

FENTON ST.

350-362 FENTON ST

FEASIBILITY STUDY

SITE PLAN

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New Opportunity for Crisis Response Project

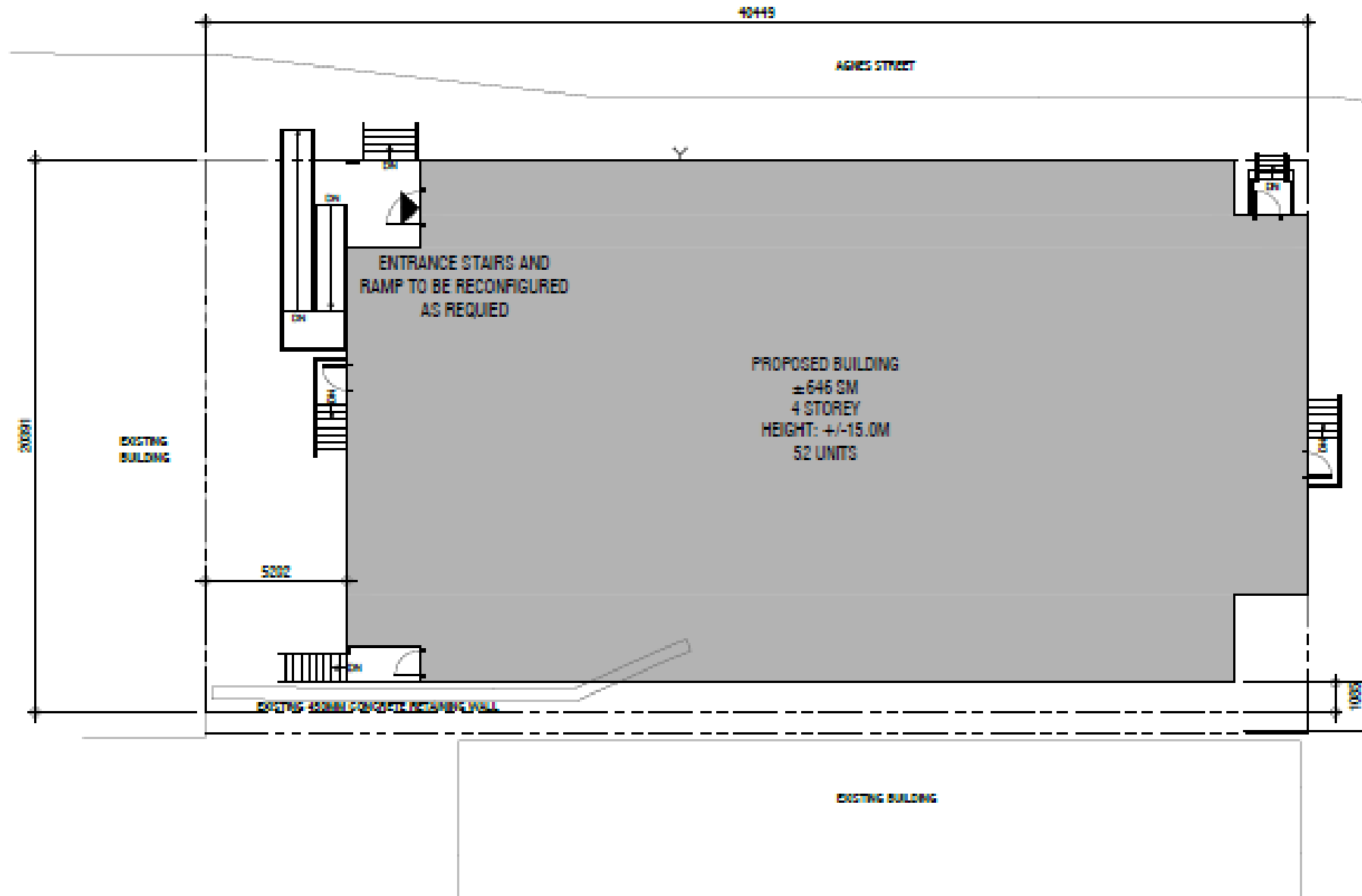
68 Sixth Street

Partnership between City
and BC Housing
Supportive Housing
(On-Site Staff)
Repurposed Modular Building

Provincially Owned Land

CMHC Funding Sought
Tight Timelines (anticipated application in 2021)





To Address Future Opportunities: Crisis Response Bylaw Amendments

Responding to time-sensitive social, physical and health needs

Related to addressing urgent crises:

- **Provincial emergency declarations** (Pandemic, Fire, Flood, Heat Wave, Opioid Overdose Emergency, etc.)
- **Regionally Recognized Crises** (Extreme Weather Events, Homelessness Crisis)

Additional conditions/criteria



Additional Criteria for permitted projects under the proposed Crisis Response Bylaw Amendments

1. Must be government-owned or under long-term lease;
2. Must be government agency funded; and
3. Must be operated by registered non-profit society or public agency.

All projects would also be subject to Council approval, controls and conditions.

What about “Social Benefit Land Uses” that don’t meet those criteria?

- Broad multi-year public policy and engagement project is proposed
- Examining land uses that generate significant public benefit
- Recommendation to refer to the 2022 Budget Review Process

Next Steps

Preliminary Report to Council (*we are here*)

Agency Referrals

Initial Bylaw Reading(s) and Engagement Plan Approval

Advisory Planning Commission

Public Engagement Events

Report of Public Feedback to Council

Public Hearing