



January 21, 2022

Ryan Painter, Board Chair
School District No. 61
556 Boleskine Road,
Victoria, BC V8Z 1E8

Dear Chair Painter,

Re: Request for Letter of Support
Burnside School Affordable Housing Project

It is my pleasure to inform you that thanks to the diligence and collaboration of all our project partners including School District No. 61, the City of Victoria has scheduled a Public Hearing for the Burnside School Affordable Housing Project on February 24th, 2022.

This will be a major milestone, where we will seek final municipal approval for this project. A successful outcome would mean this amazing community project could begin construction in the summer of 2022. Victoria would be closer to having new purpose-built affordable housing, more day care spaces and the new multifunctional learning space operated by School District No.61.

We kindly request that you consider drafting and submitting a letter of support for this project to be presented at Public Hearing. We attach our updated project information sheet for your reference.

Regards,
PACIFICA HOUSING ADVISORY ASSOCIATION

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Carolina Ibarra".

Carolina Ibarra, BA, MSc
Chief Executive Officer

Update

BURNSIDE SCHOOL AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT

We are excited to see the Burnside School Affordable Housing Project advance to the public hearing phase on February 24, 2022 as we seek final municipal approval with the City of Victoria. The project will provide affordable rental housing, new community village green spaces, much-needed childcare options, an art and recreation centre, and other public amenities. We are confident the project will be a positive addition to this vibrant community.

For more information and future project updates, visit pacificahousing.ca.

PUBLIC HEARING

Thursday, February 24, 2022



Rendering of the proposed development at the corner of Jutland and Cecelia.



Affordable Housing

- Two buildings: one 4-storey and one 5-storey with mixed uses
- 88 new units for singles, couples & families
- Leading energy-efficient design intended to reduce costs for tenants



Green Space

- Outdoor plaza available for public use
- Seating and play spaces
- Native plant garden & 32 new trees



Community Programming

- 59 new spaces for daycare and out-of-school operated by the Burnside Gorge Community Association
- School District 61 multifunctional learning space, for use by students and the community alike



Transportation

- 110 new underground bike parking spaces; 32 short-term
- 98 underground vehicle parking spaces provided
- No loss to on-street parking

Project Timeline



*Anticipated 18 months of construction. Schedules are subject to change.

The Burnside School Affordable Housing Project is a partnership with Pacifica Housing, City of Victoria, BC Housing, Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation, School District 61, the Burnside Gorge Community Association and TL Housing Solutions.



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To share feedback, please email communityfeedback@pacificahousing.ca

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