



**CITY OF VANCOUVER**  
COMMUNITY SERVICES GROUP  
Housing Centre

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Dear Sir or Madam:

**RE: City Purchase of Site at 16th and Dunbar (3588-96 West 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 3212-28 Dunbar Street)**

In May 2005, the City of Vancouver purchased a site on the south-east corner of West 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Dunbar Street for the purpose of developing social housing. The acquisition of the site was brought to the attention of the Dunbar Residents' Association in a letter dated June 29, 2005, a copy of which is attached to this letter.

As indicated in the attached letter, Dunbar is one of three neighbourhoods in the City that does not have any social housing, but it does have people in housing need. The site would be good for supportive housing for singles, or housing for seniors or families, as it is close to local shopping and served by transit.

Since that time, I met with the Residents' Association in September 2005 to re-affirm that nothing will occur regarding the site until the city-wide supportive housing plan is completed. Timing for completion of that study is scheduled for 2006, following public consultation in the spring. At this stage, there is no senior government program to fund construction of new social housing. Until funding is available and the supportive housing plan is completed, no decisions will be made on the nature of the social housing on this site.

If you have received this notification letter, you will receive any future formal notification regarding the site so no further action is necessary. In the meantime, I am happy to answer any questions you might have regarding the City's acquisition of this site or its development as social housing or the related process.

Yours truly,

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