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Subject: Invitation - The Big Conversation: Housing Vancouver Dialogue - Saturday, June 17th, 2017

Dear Mayor and Council,

You are invited to attend our inclusive dialogue on emerging housing strategies as observers.

Date Saturday, June 17th, 2017

Start Time 10:00 am registration and breakfast

Session will run from 10:30 AM to 1:30 pm

Location Hillcrest Curling Centre

- The event has been designed to walk you through the key elements of the emerging housing reset and to share their perspectives and experiences on the benefits and implications of some of the emerging priorities (i.e., right supply, density and new housing forms, homelessness)
- There is an opportunities for up to 300 Vancouverites representing different housing tenure types to participate, with quotas for members (own, rent, poorly housed/ insecurely housed.
- Invitations have been sent to stakeholders and community organizations, including residents
 associations, housing advocates and not for profit partners, but we are hoping to draw a noninsider audience of residents.
- We would appreciate having Mayor and Council to participate as observers, but not at the dialogue tables as it will change the dynamic of the discussions.
- We are using advertising and social media to push participation.
- We are close to our 300 participant target, but we will do our best to accommodate anyone who shows up.
- Transportation is being provided; a bus /driver and have reached out to several key neighbourhoods to facilitate access for those who may have mobility challenges or other barriers to participation
- A pancake breakfast and childminding is being provided.

Please contact Amanda Gibbs at <u>Amanda.Gibbs@vancouver.ca</u>, if you have questions about the event or the agenda.

Best Sadhu

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