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To: **"Direct to Mayor and Council - DL"**

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Subject: For Information: Amendments to the Vancouver Charter Tabled Through Bill 18

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Dear Mayor and Council,

Today, the Government of BC tabled Bill 18 – Vancouver Charter Amendment Act (No. 2), 2024.

If passed by the legislature, Bill 18 - Vancouver Charter Amendment Act, 2024, will amend the Vancouver Charter to better align with rules and authorities provided to other local governments under the Local Government Act. The proposed legislation would create change in three key areas.

- The legislation requires Vancouver to adopt a city-wide official development plan (ODP), similar to an official community plan. This requirement will be phased in to reflect that Vancouver does not currently have a city-wide ODP.
- The legislation also establishes the same rules for public hearings as those set for other local governments.
- The proposed amendments also include improvements requested by the City of Vancouver to streamline approvals through delegation, and by authorizing a development approval bylaw consistent with other municipalities.

These amendments were requested by the City of Vancouver via motions from Mayor and Council in 2023.

The news release can be found [here](#).

The full text of Bill 18 can be found [here](#).

The progress of Bill 18 can be tracked [here](#).

Best,

Paul

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