

Temporary Modular Housing Community Information Session

7430 – 7460 Heather Street
(formerly 650 West 57th Avenue)

Meeting Purpose

- Learn how Temporary Modular Housing will allow us to help people into homes with the right supports
- Review the plans for the site
- Share your interests and priorities with the project team
- Meet your Community Liaison and project partners

Meeting Agenda

- 7:00 Opening remarks: Brenda Prosken, BC Housing
- 7:05 Presentation: Abi Bond, City of Vancouver
- 7:20 Discussion
- 8:00 Meeting closes

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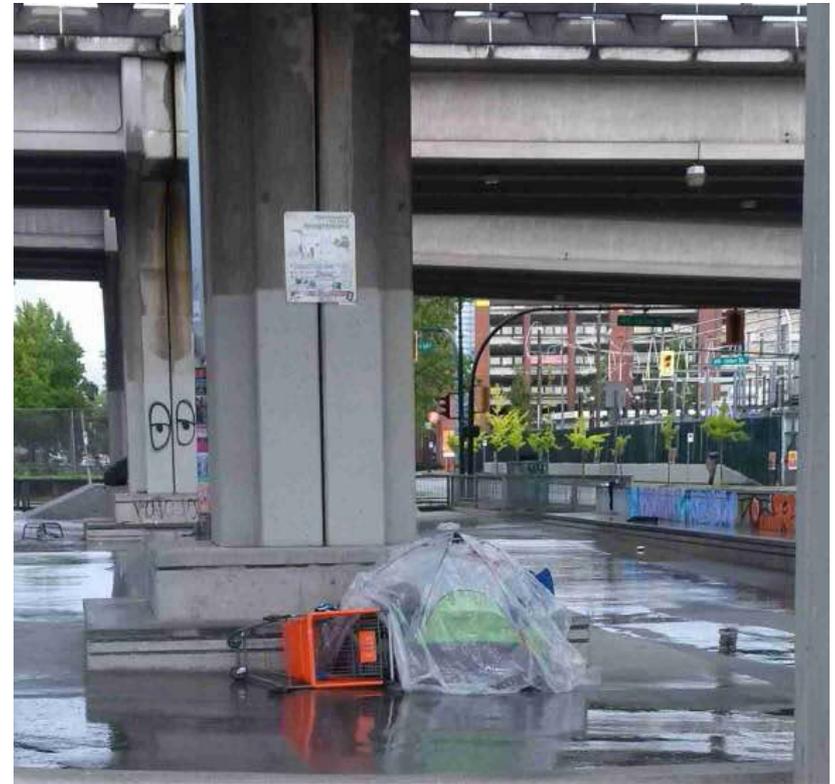
Brenda Prosken
Regional Director
BC Housing

Abi Bond
Director of Affordable Housing
Projects
City of Vancouver

TEMPORARY MODULAR HOUSING

Vancouver is in a housing crisis and homeless people have been the hardest hit

Over 2000 people across the city of Vancouver said they were homeless for the 2017 Homeless Count



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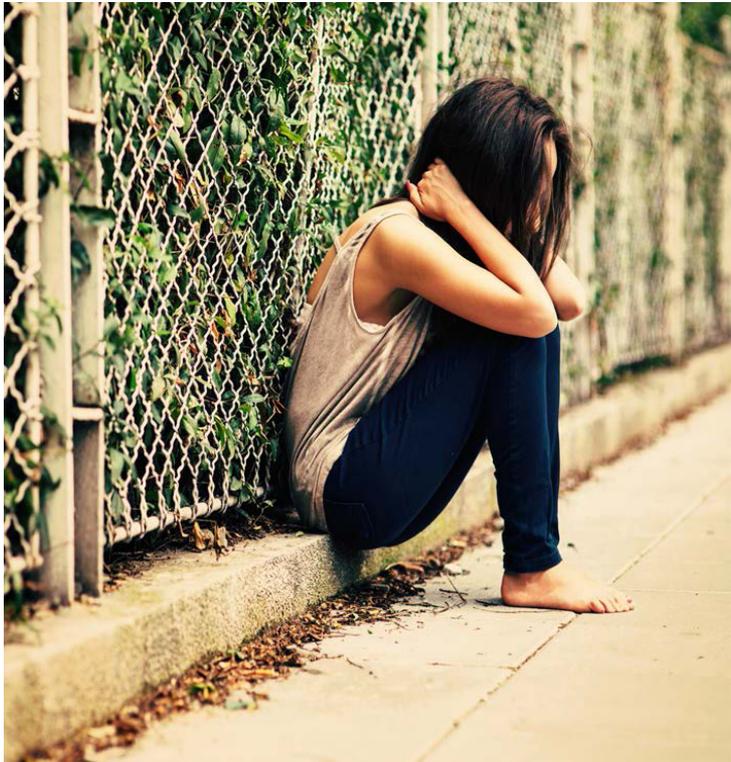
Hundreds of people are living outside with nowhere to sleep, use the washroom, or get regular food and water

People are suffering both physically and mentally



TEMPORARY MODULAR HOUSING

People who are homeless are men, women, seniors and youth



Ensuring people have a place to call home

- The City of Vancouver and BC Housing are partnering to build Temporary Modular Housing
- Located on vacant and underused sites across the city
- Bringing people into homes with supports as quickly as possible
- This is an urgent effort to get homeless people into homes now

Managing housing safely and responsibly

The site is a partnership:

- City of Vancouver
- VAHA
- BC Housing
- Onni Group
- Community Builders Group



TEMPORARY MODULAR HOUSING

The site will hold:

- Two temporary modular buildings on the corner of Heather St and West 59th Ave
- Each building:
 - Three storeys
 - 39 single studios
 - Approximately 7 studios wheelchair accessible

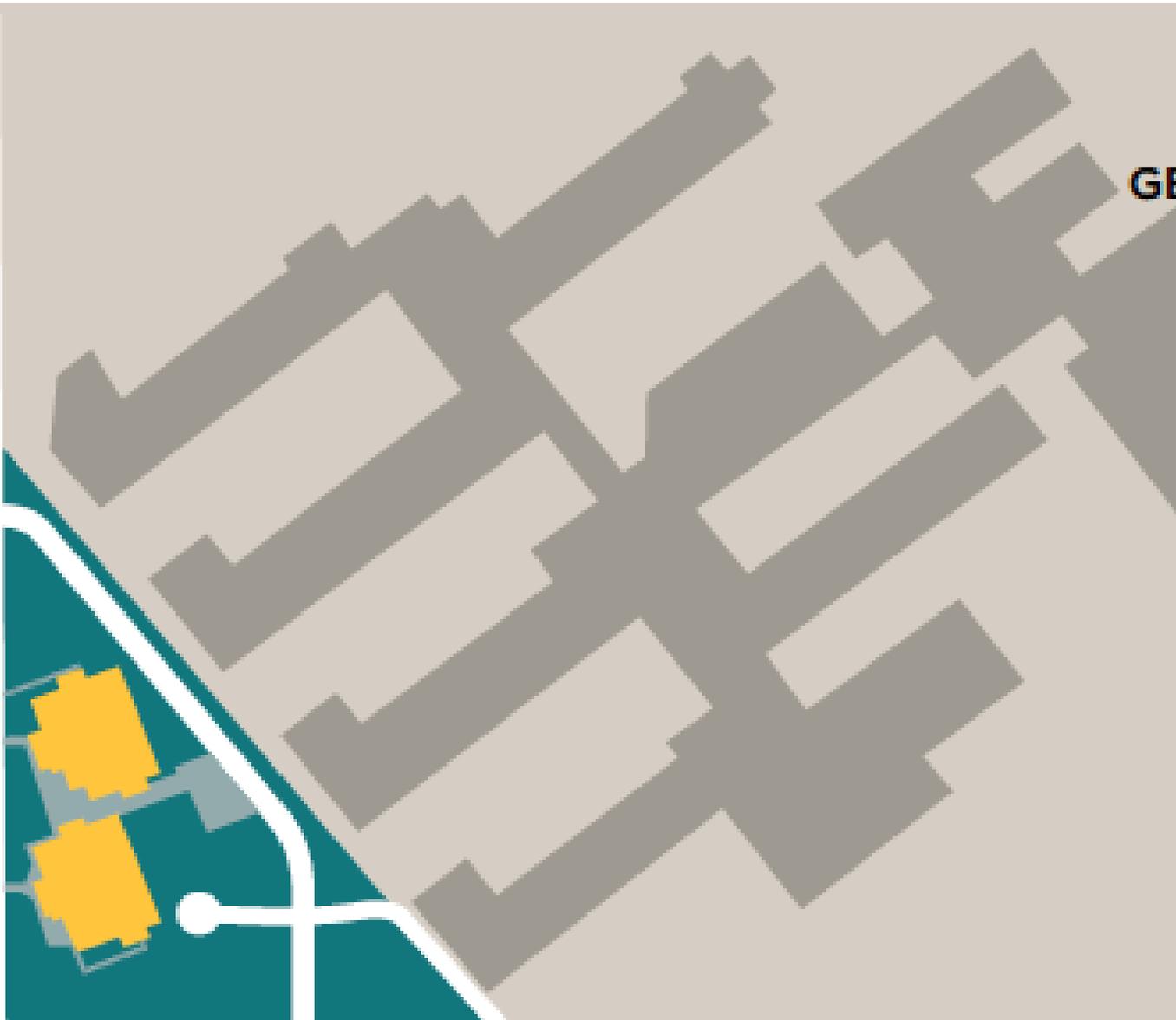
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The buildings will be in place for up to five years, with the possibility to extend another five years



TEMPORARY MODULAR HOUSING

This site has been selected because it:

- Is vacant and waiting to be redeveloped so we can move people inside quickly
- Has space to accommodate the buildings
- Can easily connect to water, sewer, hydro
- Is close to transit to get to services
- Will allow the homeless people living in the area to remain in their community

Managing housing safely and responsibly

Residents will be carefully selected making sure this housing is the right fit for individuals.

Our priorities for this site are to house:

- People who are unsheltered or living in shelters
- People who are 45 years and older
- Persons with disabilities
- Homeless people living in the local neighbourhood

Managing housing safely and responsibly

- Residents apply through BC Housing with support from City of Vancouver outreach team
- Buildings will be operated and managed by Community Builders Group

Community Builders Group

- Professional, non-profit housing operator
- 15 years of experience in Vancouver
- Specialize in supports for persons with a variety of needs
- Operates the building according to a detailed Operations Management Plan



Working closely with the community

OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT PLAN

- Describes how the building will be managed
- Explains supports and services to be provided to residents
- Outlines the process for the ongoing dialogue between Community Builders Group and the community through the Community Advisory Committee

Managing housing safely and responsibly

- The building will be staffed 24 hours a day to provide assistance to tenants and respond to concerns should they occur.
- Tenants will pay rent.
- Supports offered will assist people towards independence and full participation in their community.



Managing housing safely and responsibly

Each resident will develop an individualized support plan with staff. The plan:

- Outlines tenant, building and community expectations and provides an orientation for all new residents.

Other programs may include life skills training, volunteer work, employment preparation and access to educational opportunities.

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- Each new home will be approximately 250 square feet
- Includes a bathroom and kitchen
- 14 homes will be fully accessible



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PROJECT TIMELINE

Timeframe	Activity
October 2017	City of Vancouver works to secure housing site
October 2017	BC Housing selects non-profit housing operator
October - November 2017	Community engagement with residents and businesses
October 2017 – Building opening	Community Liaison available
November/December 2017	Community Advisory Committee established
November 2017	Resident tenanting process begins
November 2017	Housing construction begins
January 2018	Residents begin moving in
Ongoing after building opens	Community Advisory Committee regular meetings

Working closely with the community

- Display home presented at Robson Square and Trout Lake
- Meetings with community groups
- Meetings with businesses and associations
- Mayor and Council neighbourhood walkabouts
- City staff walkabouts
- Community Information Sessions
- Presentations
- Dedicated Community Liaison
- Community Advisory Committee

Other actions helping homeless residents

- 300 temporary shelter beds open for the winter months
- Warming centres will be opened when the temperature reaches -5 or below
- 1000 new units of permanent social housing will be opening between before the end of 2018
- As part of the new Housing Vancouver strategy, the City will build 12,000 new units of social and supportive housing over the next 10 years

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Project Representatives

- Abi Bond, City of Vancouver
- Brenda Prosken, BC Housing
- Ethel Whitty, City of Vancouver
- Julie Roberts, Community Builders
- Luke Harrison, VAHA
- Andy Day, Vancouver Coastal Health

Thank you for attending the meeting

Please share your comments:

- Complete a comment form
- Send an email: vancouver@housing.ca
- Contact the Community Liaison:
604-829-9321
- Visit: vancouver.ca/temporarymodularhousing

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Feedback on this Development Permit is being considered by Director of Planning, Gil Kelley for a decision of approval.

You can provide feedback by:

- Email: housing@vancouver.ca
- Comment Cards:
 - Online: vancouver.ca/temporarymodularhousing
 - At Community Information Sessions
- Calling 3-1-1
- Calling the Community Liaison : Breanne Whyte: 604-829-9321

For more information: vancouver.ca/temporarymodularhousing