

City of Vancouver Zoning and Development By-law

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CD-1 (626)

450 Gore Avenue By-law No. 11487

(Being a By-law to Amend By-law 3575, being the Zoning and Development By-law)

Effective April 5, 2016

1 Zoning District Plan Amendment

This By-law amends the Zoning District Plan attached as Schedule D to By-law No. 3575, and amends or substitutes the boundaries and districts shown on it, according to the amendments, substitutions, explanatory legends, notations, and references shown on the plan marginally numbered Z-685 (a) attached as Schedule A to this By-law, and incorporates Schedule A into Schedule D, to By-law No. 3575.

2 Uses

- 2.1 The description of the area shown within the heavy black outline on Schedule A is CD-1 (626).
- 2.2 Subject to Council approval of the form of development, to all conditions, guidelines and policies adopted by Council, and to the conditions set out in this By-law or in a development permit, the only uses permitted within CD-1 (626), and the only uses for which the Director of Planning or Development Permit Board will issue development permits are:
 - (a) Cultural and Recreational Uses, limited to Artist Studio, Arts and Culture Indoor Event, Club, Community Centre or Neighbourhood House, Fitness Centre, Library, Museum or Archives, Park or Playground, and Theatre;
 - (b) Dwelling Uses, in conjunction with any of the uses listed in this By-law;
 - (c) Institutional Uses:
 - (d) Office Uses:
 - (e) Retail Uses, limited to Farmers' Market, Furniture or Appliance Store, Grocery or Drug Store, Retail Store, and Secondhand Store;
 - (f) Service Uses, limited to Barber Shop or Beauty Salon, Beauty and Wellness Centre, Catering Establishment, Laundromat or Dry Cleaning Establishment, Photofinishing or Photography Studio, Repair Shop Class B, Restaurant Class 1, School Arts or Self-Improvement, and School Business; and
 - (g) Accessory Uses customarily ancillary to the uses listed in this section 2.2.

3 Conditions of use

- 3.1 All commercial uses permitted by this By-law shall be carried on wholly within a completely enclosed building except for:
 - (a) Farmers' Market;
 - (b) Restaurant Class 1; and
 - (c) Display of plants, flowers, fruit and vegetables in conjunction with a permitted use.
- 3.2 The design and layout of at least 25% of the dwelling units must:
 - (a) be suitable for family housing;
 - (b) include two or more bedrooms; and
 - (c) comply with Council's "High-Density Housing for Families with Children Guidelines".
- 3.3 A maximum of ten of the dwelling units may be micro dwellings.
- 3.4 The floor area of a micro dwelling must be at least 29.7 m², except that the Director of Planning or the Development Permit Board may relax the permitted floor area of a micro dwelling to a minimum of 23.2 m² if:
 - (a) the Director of Planning or the Development Permit Board first considers all applicable Council policies and guidelines; and
 - (b) the micro dwelling is part of a development which has a covenant or housing agreement registered against title restricting its use to secured market rental housing or social housing, for the longer of 60 years or the life of the building.

4 Floor area and density

- 4.1 Computation of floor space ratio must assume that the site consists of 884 m², being the site size at the time of the application for the rezoning evidenced by this By-law, prior to any dedications.
- 4.2 The floor space ratio for all uses must not exceed 4.5.
- 4.3 Computation of floor area must include all floors, including earthen floor, above and below ground level, having a minimum ceiling height of 1.2 m, measured to the extreme outer limits of the building.
- 4.4 Computation of floor area must exclude:
 - (a) open residential balconies or sundecks and any other appurtenances which, in the opinion of the Director of Planning, are similar to the foregoing, except that:
 - (i) the total area of all such exclusions must not exceed 12% of permitted floor area, and
 - (ii) the balconies must not be enclosed for the life of the building;
 - (b) patios and roof gardens, if the Director of Planning first approves the design of sunroofs and walls:
 - (c) where floors are used for off-street parking and loading, the taking on or discharging of passengers, bicycle storage, heating and mechanical equipment, or uses, which in the opinion of the Director of Planning are similar to the foregoing, those floors or portions thereof so used that are at or below base surface, except that the exclusion for a parking space must not exceed 7.3 m in length; and
 - (d) all residential storage area above or below base surface, except that if the residential storage area above base surface exceeds 3.7 m² for a dwelling unit, there will be no exclusion for any of the residential storage area above base surface for that unit.
- 4.5 Computation of floor area may exclude amenity areas, except that the total exclusion for amenity areas must not exceed the lesser of 10% of the permitted floor area or 929 m².
- 4.6 The use of floor area excluded under section 4.4 or 4.5 must not include any purpose other than that which justified the exclusion.

5 Building height

- 5.1 Building height, measured from base surface, must not exceed 21.6 m.
- Despite the provisions of section 5.1, the Director of Planning may permit portions of buildings to exceed the permitted maximum height by no more than 3.4 m, if:
 - (a) the Director of Planning first considers:
 - (i) the location and sizing of such portions of buildings in relation to view, overlook, shadowing and noise impact, and
 - (ii) all applicable Council policies and guidelines; and
 - (b) those portions of buildings which exceed the permitted maximum height are:
 - (i) mechanical appurtenances, such as elevator machine rooms,
 - (ii) access and infrastructure required to maintain green roofs or urban agriculture, or roof-mounted energy technologies including solar panels and wind turbines,
 - (iii) decorative roof and enclosure treatments, if the roof and enclosure treatments enhance the overall appearance of the building and appropriately integrate mechanical appurtenances, or
 - (iv) items similar to any of the above.

6 Horizontal angle of daylight

- 6.1 Each habitable room must have at least one window on an exterior wall of a building.
- 6.2 The location of each such exterior window must allow a plane or planes extending from the window and formed by an angle of 50 degrees, or two angles with a sum of 70 degrees, to encounter no obstruction over a distance of 24.0 m.
- 6.3 Measurement of the plane or planes referred to in section 6.2 must be horizontally from the centre of the bottom of each window.
- 6.4 The Director of Planning or Development Permit Board may relax the horizontal angle of daylight requirement if:
 - (a) the Director of Planning or Development Permit Board first considers all the applicable policies and guidelines adopted by Council; and
 - (b) the minimum distance of unobstructed view is not less than 3.7 m.
- 6.5 An obstruction referred to in section 6.2 means:
 - (a) any part of the same building including permitted projections; or
 - (b) the largest building permitted under the zoning on any site adjoining CD-1 (626).
- 6.6 A habitable room referred to in section 6.1 does not include:
 - (a) a bathroom; or
 - (b) a kitchen whose floor area is the lesser of:
 - (i) 10% or less of the total floor area of the dwelling unit, or
 - (ii) 9.3 m^2 .

7 Acoustics

All development permit applications require evidence in the form of a report and recommendations prepared by a person trained in acoustics and current techniques of noise measurement, demonstrating that the noise levels in those portions of dwelling units listed below do not exceed the noise level set opposite such portions. For the purposes of this section, the noise level is the A-weighted 24-hour equivalent (Leq) sound level and is defined simply as noise level in decibels.

Portions of dwelling units	Noise levels (Decibels)
Bedrooms	35
Living, dining, recreation rooms	40
Kitchen, bathrooms, hallways	45

8 Severability

A decision by a court that any part of this By-law is illegal, void, or unenforceable severs that part from this By-law, and is not to affect the balance of this By-law.

10 Force and effect

This By-law is to come into force and take effect on the date of its enactment.

ENACTED by Council this 5th day of April, 2016.

