Presentation in support of:

Charter Bylaws 21214 and 21215 to amend District Policy and Zoning Bylaw

PARKALLEN COMMUNITY LEAGUE

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#### May 28, 2024

- Parkallen Community League (and others?) requested the elimination of District Policies 2.5.2.5 and 2.5.2.6
- Why? Focused investments on intensification of development in the interiors of neighbourhoods rather than the Nodes and Corridors as directed by the City Plan
- Administration's proposed amendments in the form of Charter Bylaws 21214 and 21215, amending the District Policies and the corresponding regulation in the Zoning Bylaw take us in that direction

We support passing Charter Bylaws 21214 and 21215.

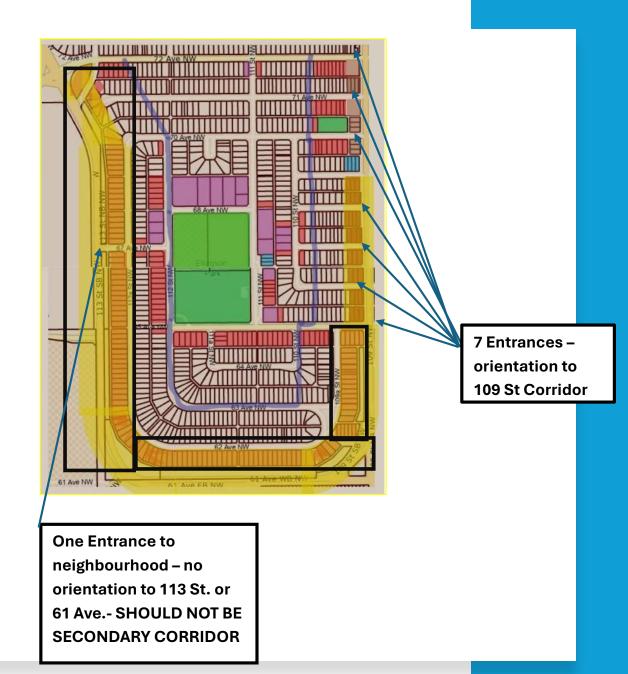
#### Rationale for 2.5.2.5:

"...uses the term "support" instead of "consider" explicitly states the supported development scale and massing expectations, and restricts support for the RSMh12 Zone **to corner sites** within neighbourhoods provided the site meets at least **one** of the listed criteria.

Further, the Rationale for new policy 2.5.2.7 states:

"...communicate the **intention** that additional scale and density should **only be considered where a site's size and context can accommodate additional scale**, **provide appropriate transition to the surrounding development**, a greater number of dwellings and improved land-use efficiency vs a similar site."

# Secondary Corridors



### There is more work to do...

Even with the amendments the District Policy still provides too many opportunities outside of Nodes and Corridor for:

- Potential to overbuild beyond infrastructure capacity
- Unplanned up-zoning and/or land speculation caused by the lack of definition of "adjacent" and "along",— when the first lot on a block is up-zoned, it can lead to up-zoning of properties on that block simply by virtue of their being next to an up-zoned lot(s)

## Quick Example...



3. Lot can be upzoned because of adjacency to upzoned lots (blue outline) and on and on...

2. House next to the corner (red outline) is upzoned and/or lots outlined in yellow get upzoned because they are "adjacent" to corner lot

1. Corner lot is upzoned.

### **Further Work**

- We support pausing up-zonings until the District Policy can be further refined and District Plans adjusted to match the intent of the amendments we are here to support today
- Provides an opportunity for meaningful consultation and consideration of our addition to the District Policy recommended in our May 28 2024 submission and our letter of June 25.