



# City of Port Moody

## Report/Recommendation to Council

Date: November 25, 2021  
Submitted by: Advisory Design Panel  
Subject: Response Regarding Wellbeing Guidelines for Multi-Family Buildings Referral

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### Purpose

To provide Council with information regarding a resolution passed by the Advisory Design Panel regarding the Wellbeing Guidelines for Multi-Family Buildings referral.

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### Recommended Resolution(s)

**THAT the report dated November 25, 2021 from the Advisory Design Panel regarding Response Regarding Wellbeing Guidelines for Multi-Family Buildings Referral be received for information.**

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### Background

At the October 5, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting, Council passed the following resolution:

CW21/118

WHEREAS Council has prioritized “healthy city” considerations for the evolution of Port Moody, and has often cited and shared ideas aimed at supporting social cohesion and mental wellbeing in our community;

AND WHEREAS developers welcome and benefit from getting clarity up front about goals and expectations in this regard before proposals go to Council;

AND WHEREAS Port Moody has established an advisory panel of design experts well suited to help us in proposing and assessing healthy city guidelines;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct the Advisory Design Panel to strike a working group that, working in collaboration with staff, shall draft for Council consideration a set of proposed guidelines to enhance social cohesion and support general resident wellbeing and mental health in the design of new multi-family buildings, including townhouse developments, smaller multi-family unit buildings, and high-rises, as recommended in the report dated May 15, 2021 from Councillor Amy Lubik regarding Developing Social and Mental Health Wellbeing Guidelines for Buildings in Port Moody.

At the November 18, 2021 Advisory Design Panel meeting, the Panel passed the following resolution:

ADP21/011

THAT the creation of Social and Mental Health Wellbeing Guidelines for Multi-Family Buildings in Port Moody be supported;

AND THAT a working group composed of City staff and community volunteers, including members of the Advisory Design Panel, be established to help define the key characteristics the Guidelines may include;

AND THAT a work plan be developed for staff or consultants to further define the scope of the Guidelines;

AND THAT feedback and support on the Social and Mental Health Wellbeing Guidelines work plan be provided by the Advisory Design Panel.

## Discussion

At the November 18, 2021 meeting, the Advisory Design Panel suggested that consultant help should be sought for the development of Social and Mental Health Wellbeing Guidelines for Multi-Family Buildings, noting that the importance and magnitude of the task requires professional help. The Advisory Design Panel expressed concerns about developing the guidelines from scratch being an onerous task to provide free of charge, noting that if a working group is to be established for the development of these guidelines, some Panel members would be interested in joining. An excerpt from the minutes of the meeting is included as

**Attachment 1.**

## Other Option(s)

1. THAT the report dated November 25, 2021 from the Advisory Design Panel regarding Response Regarding Wellbeing Guidelines for Multi-Family Buildings Referral be referred to staff for information.
2. THAT the report dated November 25, 2021 from the Advisory Design Panel regarding Response Regarding Wellbeing Guidelines for Multi-Family Buildings Referral be referred to staff for action.

## Financial Implications

Further information on financial implications would be provided by staff should this report be referred to staff for action.

## Communications and Civic Engagement Initiatives

Further information on communication and civic engagement requirements would be provided by staff should this report be referred to staff for action.

## Council Strategic Plan Objectives

Supporting the Civic Awards Nomination Period Review aligns with the Council Strategic Plan objective of Exceptional Service.

## Attachment

1. Excerpt from the November 18, 2021 Advisory Design Panel Minutes.

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## Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Tracey Takahashi, Deputy Corporate Officer - Nov 30, 2021 - 10:30 AM

Dorothy Shermer, Corporate Officer - Nov 30, 2021 - 11:25 AM

Rosemary Lodge, Manager of Communications and Engagement - Nov 30, 2021 - 12:42 PM

Paul Rockwood, General Manager of Finance and Technology - Nov 30, 2021 - 1:31 PM

Tim Savoie, City Manager - Dec 6, 2021 - 11:14 AM