

THE CORPORATION OF THE
CITY OF WHITE ROCK
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POLICY TITLE: CITY OF WHITE ROCK RENOVATION/RELOCATION POLICY
POLICY NUMBER: PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES NO. 516

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Policy:

For Building Permit applications involving the renovation of rental units, including those in Multi-Family buildings and accessory secondary suites in Single Family buildings:

1. The Building Official to whom the Building Permit application for the proposed renovation or restoration has been assigned, will request that the Residential Tenancy Branch (RTB) reviews the scope of work and provides preliminary feedback as to the dwelling units being renovated are required to be vacant as per their regulations.
2. Upon review of the Building Permit application, staff will contact the owner/agent and work out a comprehensive plan for the renovation work to take place in segments or stages as per the provisions of the Building Bylaw in order to avoid the need for relocation or displace as few person as is required to complete the work proposed. The Building Official may split the application into several permits to achieve the objective of this policy.
3. Planning and Development Services staff shall ensure that the displacement of persons is in accordance with RTB regulations.

Rationale:

The purpose of the Renovation/Relocation Policy is to ensure that tenants in residential dwelling units are not displaced by a Landlord doing only minor renovations or improvements to a building or, where such renovations are large in scope, the impact on the tenants is kept to the bare minimum required to complete the necessary work.