

## Letter to Vancouver Mayor and Council regarding your new home

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### Talking Points

- Emphasize your relationship to the city
  - Current resident
  - Current constituent
    - Property Owner
      - Soon to be resident
    - Business Owner
      - Soon to be resident
- Ask the mayor and council to work with the building industry to allow building that is safe and legal under the governor's Executive order to continue
- Remind them that Ridgefield, Battle Ground and Clark County allow this so there is already precedent
- If you or anyone that will be living in the new house is classified as essential include that
  - Emphasize why you need to move as soon as possible
- If you are non-essential and in transition explain your situation and how delays affect you
  - Even if the builder could only dry-in that will be closer to keeping them on schedule.
  - Explain how delays will affect your financing
  - Explain any deadlines you are held to; move out, financing, etc.
- Explain that if there is weather damage to the structure or site, it could delay the project, add unreasonable cost or make it irreparable
- Emphasize that you realize the unique situation we are all in and the tough decisions our elected leaders have to make
- Emphasize that in no way is your request asking for less than safe practices be allowed
- Thank them for their time and understanding
- Include contact information so they can reach out to you

Questions? Contact BIA Government Affairs Director Ryan Makinster at [ryan@biaofclarkcounty.org](mailto:ryan@biaofclarkcounty.org) or 360.727.1643