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# Keep a lid on building heights

Re: Push for taller towers may be short-sighted, Column, Sept 30

Some of my colleagues and I could not agree more with Patrick Condon, chairman of urban design at UBC. We would be very happy with tree height, four-storey buildings on arterial roads that allow friendliness and neighbourliness.

Why not take a look at how, for decades, Toronto has flourished with attached dwellings, non- strata, freehold ownership?

I know of one Kitsilano 50 x 125 foot lot subdivision based on heritage revitalization that allowed the existing house to sell off a portion to another family allowing fee simple ownership for the new dwelling. This was done in 1996 because the city liked the plan and approved it.

What I would like to see is the following group of Michael Geller, Bob Ransford and James Bussey (Formwerks) getting together with Patrick Condon to make a difference.

They are all on record with insights into Vancouver's housing problems.

Wouldn't it be nice for them to have a serious voice so we could slow down the highrise proliferation? CECILE ANCTIL Vancouver

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