Schedule 11 to the Minutes of the Public Hearing meeting of Richmond City Council held on Monday, December 17, 2018.

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Date: <u>December 17,2018</u> Meeting: <u>Public Hearing</u>

Item: #4

## MayorandCouncillors

From:

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MayorandCouncillors

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CF Richmond Centre/No.3 Developments

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- TO: MAYOR & EACH COUNCILLOR / FROM: CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

I am increasingly frustrated with the lack of concern for most families in Richmond who can't afford a home here. I voted for change and I demand better than only allocating 10% of these new developments to market rental housing units.

This is in no way acceptable for the future of our city. Housing is increasingly unaffordable, we cannot find people to work in such an expensive city without affordable housing. We lose families to the suburbs while realtors and speculators rake in the money. This increases pressures on our farmland, our road systems and makes more an unsustainable Metro Vancouver area. We need cities that are full of a vibrant range of people: seniors, children, singles and families. I am tired of driving by empty condos while I know people struggling to find rental housing for their families.

We don't need any more empty condos for speculators! We need housing for Richmond families. As someone whose family has been affected by these issues, and who has has worked with some of the most marginalized people in our city, I am increasingly concerned that Richmond is becoming a playground for millionaires, while the average person struggles to get by.

You can and should demand more of developers, 25% would not be unreasonable.

I urge you to vote with the future in mind.

Sincerely, Michelle Li Richmond, BC

