



Let's help transition new buildings off gas

Dear << Test First Name >>,

How can we stop the expansion of gas infrastructure? Stop connecting to it. Would you like to help Vancouver transition off fossil fuels to a clean energy future? One way to do that is incentivizing building electrification, to get gas out of **new** buildings. Updating residential building codes will support Vancouver's ambitious climate goals. (If you don't know, Vancouver is aiming for carbon neutrality by 2040!)

[Will you join me by taking action now?](#)

All-electric home technology is a cooling climate solution. Transitioning homes and buildings to all-electric space and water heating technology, like heat pumps and heat pump hot water heaters, helps clean up our air **and** provides summer cooling to protect our health.

Washington passed the most climate-friendly statewide building energy codes in the country for new commercial and multi-family buildings. Now we have the chance to do the same for *residential* buildings and multi-family homes.

[Please sign this petition to the State Building Code Council now](#)

So what do these building codes do? The SBCC is considering a proposal to build new homes cleaner, healthier, and cooler, by requiring high-efficiency appliances like heat pumps and heat pump hot water heaters, and better ventilation in kitchens with gas stoves. Clean-energy cooling in buildings is essential to keeping vulnerable people safe during increasing heat waves—folks that would otherwise not be able to afford air conditioning, and for people who bear the greatest risk of heat-related health impacts.

The SBCC has a public comment period open now. You can email a personal letter supporting new residential building code updates to Chair Anthony Doan at SBCC@des.wa.gov by 5 pm on Oct. 14th.

Thank you for your dedication to climate justice and a fossil fuel free future for Vancouver!

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