

Our Urban Village

*a cohousing lite
community in Vancouver*



We're almost there.

- We break ground Winter 2021
- Multigenerational (very)
- 12 units, studios to 3 BR

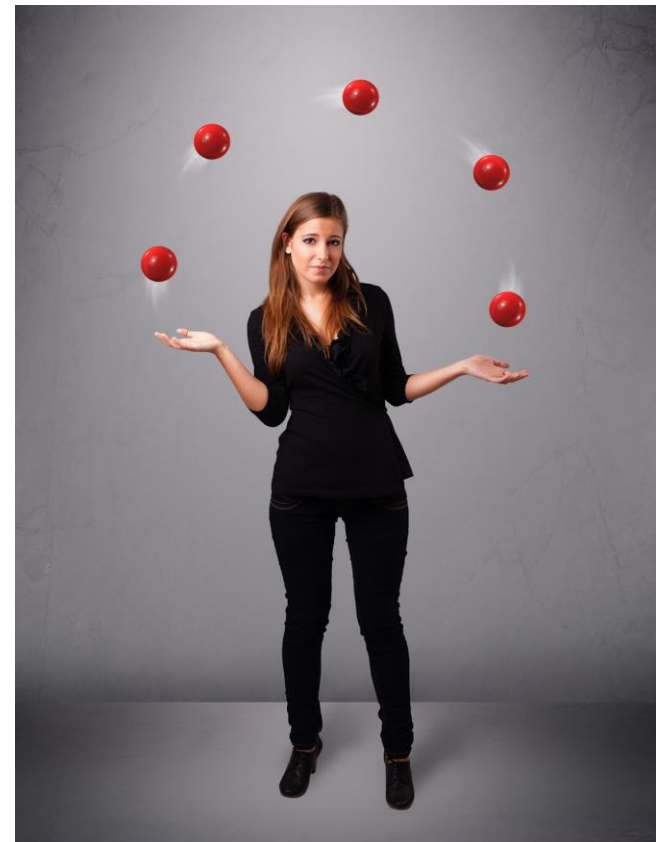


70 to 80% of cohousing
projects **never** get built

Can a cohousing lite increase our odds?

To do list: traditional cohousing

- Form a community
- Find and finance land
- Hire EVERYBODY
- Design your building (even doorknobs)
- Stick-handle permits/zoning



To do list: cohousing lite

Develop relationships
with your developer
and community



Focusing on the skills we actually have

- We *know* we're not home builders
- But we're *pretty sure* we can build a community



Traditional vs Cohousing Lite

- Time: 5-7 years
 - Financial risk: high
 - Meetings: lots and long
 - Expertise needed: lots
 - Lots of input into design
- 5-7 years
 - Financial risk: low
 - Meetings: monthly and short
 - Expertise needed: 1 hire
 - Limited design input

Creating a cohousing lite community takes **more** community building effort!

- **more** facilitation and workshops
- **more** activities to build trust
- **more** socials



Pricey cities are *challenging!*

- In Vancouver prices went almost 40% in 1 year and we lost most of our members
- At \$1200+ a sq ft, multi-generational recruitment is tough



Tomo + Our Urban Village

the right partnership is critical

Tomo

“together more”

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