

## **R-Hauz**

#### **Build your own Story.**

Creating Rental Supply on Toronto Lanes

2020

#### **Housing Supply**



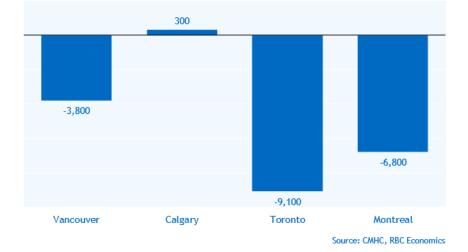
Small is Beautiful : We need lots of compatible solutions.

We are far behind the demand curve just to get to an unacceptable vacancy rate.

So we need to very quickly start to do things differently.

#### **Rental housing deficit**

Actual rental stock minus rental units required to achieve a vacancy rate of 3%, Q4 2018



#### **The Missing Middle**

Expensive urban markets require affordable housing solutions for urban families. Not solely affordable (subsidized housing) – also old fashioned effective rental housing.

#### Policy and The Missing Middle







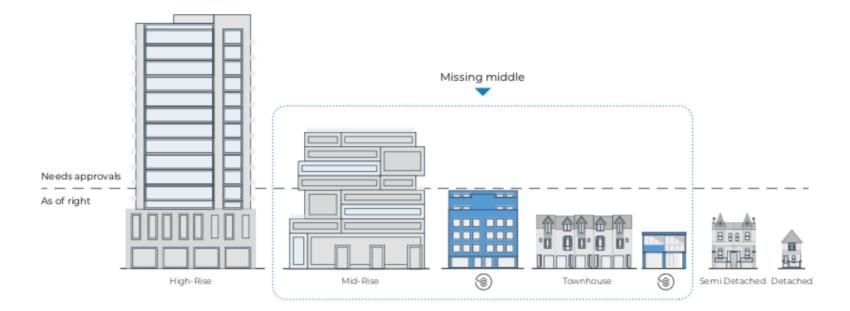






#### **The Solution – Housing as a Product**

As of Right Development, No Developer Required





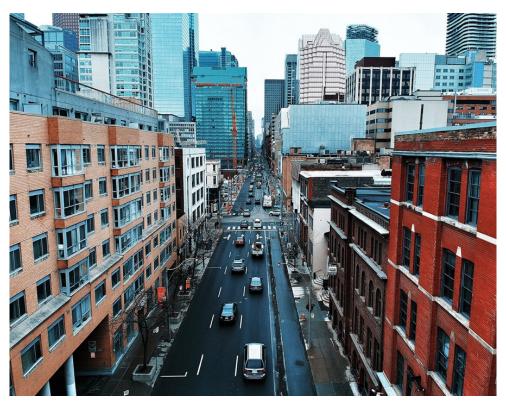
#### **R-Hauz Solutions Inc.**

R- Hauz has recognized the growing complexity of the urban housing approval and construction environment has negatively impacted housing affordability. Rising land costs, long approval timelines, labour shortages, rising material prices and long construction timelines in tight urban environments have become a normalized market condition.

Most importantly, house construction productivity has not improved in the past two decades while every other industry has nearly doubled their performance capability.

R-Hauz has adopted an approach that provides owners with customizable self-solving housing solutions. We deliver homes that are faster, cheaper, smarter and healthier living environments. Our offsite manufactured panelized housing product quickly allows the creation of new rental assets. It does so through two innovative product lines:

- Two Storey Laneway Suites: R-Lane
- Six Storey Avenue Townhomes



#### The Solution: Housing as a Product







## The Self-Solving Housing Market By R-Hauz



#### **Two Storey Lane Homes**





>96,000 units in the City of Toronto on Laneways capable of housing >190,000 people

#### **Six Storey Avenue Townhome**





Front View



**Rear View** 

#### **Six Storey Avenue Townhome**







#### >38,000 units in the City of Toronto on the Avenues capable of housing >460,000 people

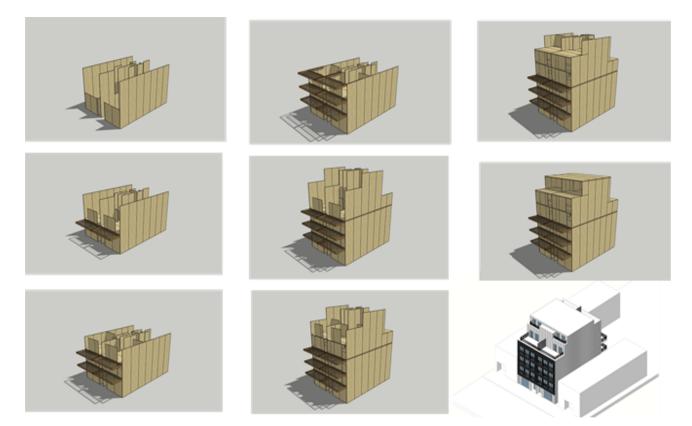
## **Construction Process**

• Faster Construction

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Less Neighbourhood Disruption





# From Mass Timber to Dimensional Lumber



The same structural configuration can be built in three all wood configurations:

- o All Mass Timber CLT
- Hybrid CLT Floors with Dimensional Wood Panel Walls.
- All Dimensional Lumber Construction.

The selection of building materials is driven by the site design – so applicable across the avenues and the yellow belt.

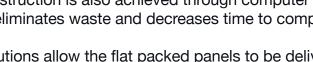


## The Laneway Suite – Pre-Fabricated Panel Construction Innovation in Off Site Fabrication

R-Hauz has created a factory based panelized construction solution for its rear laneway suites program. The structural panels, including exterior cladding, insulation and windows are fabricated in a climate controlled facility allowing for a higher quality build.

Efficiency of construction is also achieved through computer enabled fabrication that eliminates waste and decreases time to completion.

Our logistics solutions allow the flat packed panels to be delivered to a rear lane site and tilted up for completion within a four week onsite window.







Let's remove the number of weeks

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## The Laneway Suite – Pre-Fabricated Panel Construction Working with Municipalities



The R-Lane is designed as a missing middle product that can be as of right for rear lane neighbourhoods. It works within municipal objectives for gentle densification. Our preestablished model designs can be processed more quickly through the entitlement process as a repeatable building permit.

• We have designed with the Toronto, Hamilton and Ottawa by-laws in mind and can deliver zoning compliant product into each market.

Toronto's Laneway Housing Strategy



Community Consultation Meeting

March 29, 2018

#### The V6 – Building in Wood Flexibility in Lifestyle Configuration

The V6 design allows the building to be configured and reconfigured for different lifestyle needs over time without requiring a major renovation.

- It can be a family home that can allow for shared common rooms (kitchen and dining) with individuals (parents, grandparents, children, or extended family) having their own sleeping quarters on different floors.
- It can be a town home with a 2 storey master suite over 4 individual rental units that can supplement income to create affordable home ownership in an urban setting.
- It can be a 5 or 6 plex rental building.
- It can be a co-housing, co-op housing or seniors housing building.
- The V6 design can be twinned on a 40 foot lot and the stair and elevator count reduced by half with the unit count doubled.

Access, heating and cooling, and plumbing innovation allows any option to be selected – or all of them over the lifespan of the building – without need for extensive base building retrofits.



The Laneway Suite – Pre-Fabricated Panel Construction
Flexibility in Lifestyle Configuration

The R-Lane design allows the suite to be configured and reconfigured for different lifestyle needs over time without requiring a major renovation. The laneway suite can be:

- An owner opportunity for extended family housing.
- An owner opportunity for creation of rental revenue.
- An opportunity to combine a home office with a secondary suite for family of for rental.
- An opportunity to combine a visitor suite with a secondary rental unit.
- An opportunity to convert the garage portion of the suite to living space as the owner's life cycle needs dictate.

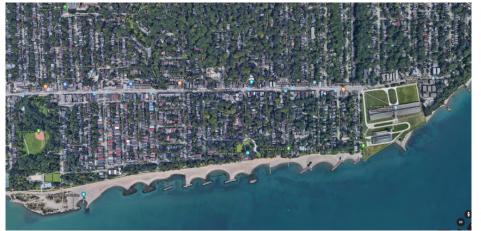
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The Beaches Gentle Densification

#### Why Did the Beaches Always Underscore Toronto Life Neighbourhood Rating







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#### What Direction Next?

So give the tools to property owners to undertake their own intensification.

Take the land cost out of the equation.

Allow missing middle to move to areas where without land cost more housing could be created.

Stop digging underground parking; stop requiring parking.

Stop Building One Offs

Embrace Panelization and off site fabrication.

Don't forget mid rise on the avenues – we have won a few battles but not the war.

Address community fears about densification...make it repeatable and predictable.

Reduce barriers to entry to individual property owners – development permit system, fewer "studies" before application.

Let planners and builders worry themselves on bigger more complicated sites. Use the pattern of the laneway policy to expand as of right housing options that are simple and repeatable.

# R-Hauz Build your own Story. Thank You

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