

**Hillside - Quadra Neighbourhood Action Committee Meeting  
6 February 2017**

**Draft Minutes**

1. **Welcome and Introductions. 6 community members, guest, and councillor and city liaison in attendance**
2. **Approval of Agenda (Chair)**
3. **Update of December 2016 meeting minutes**—edit traffic calming note to read “2500 block Graham”; **Review and approval of January 2017 meeting minutes (Chair)**
4. **Annual ‘good neighbour’ review (Ann Brydle, Cascadia liquor)**

Ann provided information about the Quadra Village Cascadia Liquor store operations during 2016. There are no concerns to report. This annual meeting is part of the Good Neighbour Agreement (GNA) that Cascadia Liquor signed with NAC when they opened the store in Quadra Village. A window and door were broken in the summer; security has been upgraded inside (Cascadia) and out (landlord).

Any enforcement relating to panhandlers (a condition of the GNA) is handled initially by the commissionaires and then referred to the VicPD if needed.

Cascadia Liquor has an in-store fundraising program at all its locations. Last year Cascadia Quadra donated to Raise the Roof, the curling club, the Fifth Street Community Party and Quadra Village Day. The commitment to Quadra Village Day is ongoing and will include monthly in-store donations through 2017; the donations will be topped up to \$2000. Staff will also volunteer at Quadra Village Day.

5. **Community Check-In - an opportunity to share ideas and concerns (All)**
  - Invite the Assistant Director of Engineering to the March NAC meeting to talk about transportation issues in the neighbourhood. **Meeting to start at 6:30 pm. ACTION:** Janis
  - Suggestion to invite the Cannabis Planner to a future meeting
  - SD 61 lands—a report is going to CoTW in the near future; **ACTION:** to monitor
6. **City Hall Update (Councillor Ben Isitt & City of Victoria staff liaison Gary Pemberton)**

Gary Pemberton provided an update on current news from the city.

- **Great Neighbourhood Grants** program—feedback needed on initial intake **ACTION:** Janis will compile comments and send. Jenn suggests looking at Trillium foundation’s grant program for options.
- **Draft Procurement Policy** is open for community feedback. There is a survey.
- **Create Victoria** (the Arts & Culture Master Plan) will have an open house soon (mid-February to mid-March). There is also an online survey.
- **Branch pickup** is scheduled for February 1-15
- **A universal change room** will be constructed at the **Crystal Pool** in the fall during the annual maintenance shut-down. Funds come from the 2016 capital projects surplus.
- **Find It/Fix It walks** are being scheduled with neighbourhoods and the CoV this spring. Modelled after an initiative by Seattle’s Department of Neighbourhoods. There is an interest

in Hillside-Quadra to have at least one walk. It's an opportunity to identify elements for improvement in the area—ie: graffiti, overgrown trees, street light outages, potholes etc.

#### 7. HQNAC Priorities for 2017 – building on input from the January brainstorming (All)

- **Advocating for services**—there is a perceived need for services for families in Hillside-Quadra. **ACTION:** inquire about data sets that would support this. Yvonne is working on implementing a daycare in the area, and also on a bike park as part of the Topaz Park Improvement Plan.
- **GreenSpace**—there is a need for a community garden. **Summit Park Master Plan**; a question was raised as to whether the plan is being implemented as per the schedule. **ACTION:** follow-up

#### 8. Land Use Update (Jenny F.)

- An application has been submitted for a property at 1265 Vista Heights. This property for a single family home does not require a rezoning and will not require a CALUC meeting. NAC has been asked to comment on the request for variances since the property will be closer to the street. A letter will be sent to staff and council.
- 3200 Linwood (in Saanich). NAC is monitoring since a resident of Jackson Street has concerns about traffic and parking.

#### 9. Community news, business news (All)

**Reminder:** Support the Downtown Blanshard Advisory Committee by becoming a member

**Next NAC meeting:** 6 March 2017 at 6:30 p.m., 901 Kings Rd.

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