

## Hillside-Quadra Neighbourhood Action Committee

### Minutes of the 7 October meeting

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions

A total of 7 people attended

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

The Agenda was approved as circulated. Kelly asked to be able to speak to the community check in item.

#### 3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (Chair)

The minutes were approved as circulated with a couple of small corrections.

#### 4. Pre-CALUC presentation - 3110 Highview Rezoning/subdivision

Ron McNeil and the architect provided information regarding this proposal. This is a single lot that they said had been subdivided previously, pre-zoning. They will conform to RIS2 zoning (2 storey house on small lot). They are proposing to build two 1408 sq. ft. houses back-to-back on identical 3,000 sq. ft. lots, one facing Mars and one facing Highview. These will have smaller footprints but be taller than the neighbouring houses. A CALUC will be scheduled when form is received.

#### 5. DBAC AGM

Kelly reported on the AGM, which was a great celebration, marking the 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the charity. There were staff acknowledgements, the Unity drummers performed and the new NAC Executive Committee was appointed. Kelly mentioned that the appointment of a Youth Worker was a turning point in meeting the needs and challenges of the neighbourhood.

## 6. City Hall Update

Councillor Liaison Ben Isitt mentioned that he had really appreciated receiving our questions in advance of the meeting (thanks Rowena).

### Neighborhood Planning

Following a 3-year logjam (having to do with the Fairfield/Gonzales plan, which included city-wide issues) Staff will bring a report on this to Council on October 24. It will be published on October 18. \$20,000 has been approved for our planning, but Kelly indicated we are facing a volunteer deficit. One suggestion was to join Oaklands on this issue.

The City can provide a map of the neighbourhood and other materials including a survey in support of our neighbourhood planning. There was a suggestion that we create an ad-hoc neighbourhood planning committee but there were no volunteers at this meeting.

### 950 Kings Road / Community Hub Update

Ben shares the community's concern regarding this issue. The CRD has lost its ability to downzone, and the City is reluctant to proceed. There has been no consultation with DBAC.

Ben suggests the neighbourhood (Kelly and a NAC member?) give an update to council on the lack of community consultation on this matter at the next Council meeting.

Crystal Pool Update -nothing to report.

## 7. Budget Priorities

Council's preliminary budget meetings begin on October 21, then continue on October 31 and November 7. The earlier we get our

requests in the better.

Ben indicated that there are 2 new city staff members dedicated to traffic issues, and they have been quite effective to date. He suggests a meeting with them to clarify our traffic calming ideas.

Kelly asked that we add a down payment on 950 Kings to our budget request to the City.

#### 8. Gary Pemberton report:

The DVBA Clean Team was granted \$20,000 for graffiti removal in the downtown core.

Murals: There will be an active artists roster created for networking between neighbourhoods and artists wanting to create murals. The Arts and Culture department will update and distribute this list.

MGN grant application deadline is October 15.

#### 9. Community Check-In

There was some discussion of the RFP for the bike park being planned at Topaz Park.

Kelly reported that discussions are underway for a sublease from the school district for the Apothecary Garden at the old VISA property, and that there are discussions with the CHRD to start a garden on the Summit property.

Next NAC meeting: 4 November 2019, 7:00 p.m., 901 Kings Rd

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