

## Minutes of Sept 9<sup>th</sup> NAC Meeting

### 1. Welcome and Introductions

A total of 14 people attended.

### 2. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as circulated.

### 3. Approval of Minutes of 3 June 2019.

The minutes were approved as circulated.

### 4. Presentations and Invited Guests

- a. Alan Lowe and Ken Tran Presentation re: 2580 & 2582 Vancouver Street  
Proposal for 8 Townhouses on Kings Road at Fifth Street

Alan explained that the developer is seeking 8 townhouses with front doors distributed along Kings, Fifth and Vancouver Streets. Current houses are two single family with renters. The proposal seeks to have 3 storey townhouses where OCP allows for two storeys. No density or parking variances are sought. Six units will face Kings, one Fifth and one Vancouver. Two bedroom units are planned approximately 1100-1200 sf, some may have a den as well. Residents expressed a need for three bedroom units. Removing the 9<sup>th</sup> parking space might allow for development of some 3 bedroom units. Parking access will be off Fifth. No basements are planned – all on slab. Current retaining wall along Kings may be in poor condition. CALUC will be 7 pm on September 19<sup>th</sup>.

### 5. City Hall Update - Councillor Liaison Ben Isitt

Ben noted that draft city budget process will start in the coming month with public workshops in October and public engagement likely until January. He provided the following updates:

- Improved McNair street access and new playground in Summit Park.
- New pedestrian crossing Bay at Graham-Vancouver St.
- Looking like Kings crossing Blanshard may slip to next year though budgeted for this year.
- No updates for 950 Kings – Council gave direction to downzone and CRD have asked that they not do this. No draft bylaw prepared. No invitations so far for meeting with BC Housing and CRD.
- Fairfield community plan hearing will be this week.

- For our neighbourhood the \$20k pre-neighbourhood planning terms of reference should be shared next month.
- Planning of amenities for Topaz Park budgeted at \$500k, perhaps breaking ground as early as next year.
- Crystal Pool will come back for discussion in a few months, and the new pool will be in North Park or Hillside Quadra.

Rowena and Kelly provided a brief update on the Crystal Pool meeting that we held this afternoon. Representatives from North Park, Downtown Residents Associate and Hillside Quadra met together with consultants from the Architect. The sense that local neighbours do not want to impede the project but want a better consideration of options. Discussed how to consult. Sharmarke Dubois was the only attendant from the City.

Ben suggested that the VISA land owned by the School District might be used as a park.

Discussion about parking for local residents, using permits or residents only. Might want to talk with VCAN for any city wide approach. Traffic calming should be coming up soon.

Could review funding priorities for HQ, especially in terms of traffic calming, ideally in October so its best to integrate with budget process soon with an official NAC request. No traffic calming was approved as part of the bike route between Hillside and Finlayson.

#### 6. Neighborhood Planning Update

See update from Ben above.

#### 7. 950 Kings Road Community Hub Update.

See update from Ben above.

#### 8. Names to be forwarded for NAC Executive 2019-20

Names to be put forward for DBAC AGM meeting September 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM are: Jon Munn, John Hall, Rowena Locklin, Barb Clausen, Keith Davis. Those present who were not nominated above were in favour that these names be put forward to DBAC for appointment.

Adjourned 8:30 PM

Suggestions for next meeting –

Priorities for traffic calming to be approved by NAC and fwd to CoV budget process ASAP.

Update on 950 Kings, CRD/BCH meeting?