

Neighbourhood Action Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: June 21, 2021

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Zoom

We would like to acknowledge that we are on the unceded traditional territory of the Coast Salish Peoples and we would like to thank the Lkwungen (Songhees) and Kwsepsum (Esquimalt) Nations for sharing their land on which we work, live, learn and play. Hay'sxw'qa si'em!

NAC Executive Board Members: 6

DBAC Board Members: 0

QVCC Staff Members: 0

Number of Community Members: 3

Minutes by John Hall

Meeting started at 7 PM, on item 4 due to delay of participants

4 Comfort Inn Housing (Muncey Place) 3020 Blanshard

Update on the last community advisory meeting for Muncey Place, which was held on June 16. Committee members are finding it hard to get answers to questions. It is important to have data, evidence and reporting on processes and successes, which are not readily provided. Next advisory meeting will be on July 14.

1 Welcome

2 Approval of Agenda and Previous Meeting Minutes

Approved as circulated.

3 Discussion of next year's priorities and call for NAC participants

We take a summer break and the next NAC executive is formed in September. The priorities are driven by the participants. The core duty of NAC is providing feedback from public participation on Development Proposals. We also participate in many City processes and public realm improvements. Recent focus has included: Place-making Parklet by Wark Street Commons, Villages & Corridors Process, Topaz Park Improvement Plan, Comfort Inn/Muncey Place Committee, Summit Noise. There is no limit for the sized of the NAC Executive so all are welcome.

Discussion points:

- Some volunteers prefer to be issue-focused
- Sports
- Recreation
- Utilization of public spaces
- Heritage
- Traffic calming
- There is a goal of creating more diversity on the Executive, as well as new members in general. This can include renters and younger people as well as other diverse communities.

- There was a suggestion that the NAC executive could be small for the fall and refocus on key priorities. During this time the NAC would communicate with community members, such as through posters with QR codes, to reach those not on our current lists. North Park mailed out a paper community values survey that formed the basis for CALUC and grant applications.

The Executive will prepare a summary of the discussion and let people know, and ideally use it to help give examples of issues for potential volunteers.

5 Updates from Council Liaison Ben Isitt/ Neighbourhood Coordinator Gary Pemberton

Regrets from both

6 Correspondence updates

- a) Improvements behind VISA update, Letter of Support with Community Feedback
We are unsure whether the Letter of Support from DBAC has been sent. Rowena will check in.
- b) Summit Noise Attenuation Kit to be installed the week of June 21st. We expect it to be installed this week, which is a bit late given our current heat wave.
- c) VCAN- Letter re public process for affordable housing
A letter was written by VCAN and most neighbourhoods signed on. A key concern is that not having a public process inhibits feedback from those who have to live with the developments, and this may well result in lower quality development.

7 Community Updates

There was a report that only 28 of the 70 committed secure tenant bike parking in Aryze's Fifth Street buildings have been provided.

8 Upcoming CALUCs

None so far

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM