Mapping Important Places: What We Heard

LEGEND
- Comment from the community. Numbers on the map match numbers/comments on the following pages.
- Additional dots are included when the comment was received more than once.
- Important pedestrian/cyclist connection identified.
- Area identified for further analysis prior to development.
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Add lights to Mead Street.

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Should the residential on River Drive remain? What is the right use for the area?

Create neighborhood meeting space.

Like the building heights on Twelfth Street.

Great views

Improve Twenty-Third St and Eighth Ave intersection for cyclists.

Forty-eighth of the "roundabout" (and remove the vegetation) on Ewen at Boyne.

There needs to be long-term flood planning for Queensborough. Combine block watch and emergency preparedness and create gathering spaces for emergencies.

Reinstate market farms — home based business.

Prevent people from polluting ditches.

Make a mini commercial node (cafes, bike shops, etc.) at the pedestrian/cyclist entrance to Queensborough.

Cover more ditches.

Tenth Avenue needs to be able to deal with Burnaby traffic.

People have to go to Burnaby (Big Bend) to shop.

Eighteenth Street needs repaving.

Need proper sidewalks with ramps for mobility aids.

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No commercial space!

Incentivise developers to turn empty lots to green space or space for recreation.

Connought Heights needs community space. Or a neighbourhood house (like in the City of Vancouver). This will be important public space were the community can get together and where people can learn about community events (e.g. on a bulletin board), etc.

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Widen Twentieth Street.

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Create neighborhood meeting space.

Consider laneway housing. Ensure that lanes receive the appreciation and status they deserve as complete streets and city treasures.

Don’t allow laneway housing. There is already enough density with secondary suites.

Build a grocery store in the West End so that people can drive less.

Reclaim the waterfront from industry.

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Increase community and parks space in the West End.

Little stores, coffee shops, corner stores in residential areas.

Reduce Stewardson Way congestion.

Sixth Avenue is a connection for bikes and pedestrians from Uptown to Twelfth Street.

Keep through traffic at the periphery so traffic is removed from residential areas.

Build a new high school – before it falls down from rot! Develop the site for mixed use (parks, a memorial garden, bee keeping, housing, etc.)

Some form of Massey Theatre (that is more fire and earthquake proof) should still exist at Eighth and Eighth for the high school and the community – it can be done!

Add many speed bumps to slow traffic on main truck routes (Tenth, McBride, Royal) – and on Quayside Drive too!

Build tunnels for through traffic/ trucks (e.g. under McBride to connect to Burnaby and/or under Front Street)

Designate Sixth St., between Eighth Ave and Tenth Ave, for low-density residential.

Build the Stormont connector. Fix this insanity!

Have a (free) shuttle service between Downtown and Uptown, increase the frequency of the 106 bus or have a funicular! The shuttle could go up Sixth Street, along Sixth Avenue (connecting to the library, Moody Park and Century House) and down Eighth Street.

Create a more vibrant link between Uptown and Downtown.

Have Parks and Recreation facilities.

Consider a (rentable) picnic shelter in Moody Park.

Protect Moody Park – there are so few large green spaces west of Eighth St.

The lacrosse box (in Moody Park) needs sound dampening – the sound echoes for blocks.

Cars drive too fast, road is too wide, speed limit needs to be enforced.

The pedestrian crossing at Eighth Street takes too long and is inconsistent. Can it be programed differently?

Upgrade or rebuild the library.

Need a greater amount of affordable housing for low-income seniors. Some of this housing should allow seniors the live relatively independently. Locate seniors housing near a variety of shops, transit, amenities and parks (e.g. near Royal City Centre).

More upscale shops.

Establish “great streets.”

Quit putting up stumbling blocks for New Westminster people to move around – no more pedestrian bump outs!

Improve communication between City Hall and the community.

Friendship Garden should be restored to a true Japanese Garden (plants are too big).

Sinclair Park needs a bathroom to accommodate the kids. Also more kids playground type toys (e.g. merry-go-round) and lighting. Parking not needed as the park is well visited by people walking.

Preserve parks and natural area in the city. Little neighbourhood parks are great.

Stop trucks from using First Street.

Need a north-south greenway.

Pedestrians wait a long time to cross Eighth Avenue at Colborne Street (especially walking to school).

Connect Eighth and McBride shopping to other shopping via greenways.

Rebuild or renovate Canada Games Pool.

Have community wide free concerts in Queens Park or Westminster Pier Park.

Use boulevard and empty lots for urban farming.

The Queens Park neighbourhood is very nice and walkable, nice scale houses. No super-size houses please! Duplexes change the character of the neighbourhood. Explore laneway housing as an alternative.

Improve the quality of local roads (e.g. in Queens Park).

Sullivan Park is a great small park with nothing. Very informal and very well used. Kids like natural materials – stumps, sand, etc.

Native plantings v. annuals and exotics, especially in Queens Park.

No more development in Queens Park – keep it natural (our other parks aren’t).

Improve and expand Queens Park. Improve facilities (e.g. baseball fields) that are looking dated and add a hockey box.

Queens Park arena is the best in all of Metro. It has beautiful green space. The main ball park and the millennium trail are excellent. The park is a great place for kids to play. There are fallen trees that they can play on – natural play! Keep Queens Park!

Create more gathering spaces in the Brow of the Hill (including parklets and benches).

Improve road maintenance (e.g. Sixth Avenue is falling apart).

Let’s look at housing forms that work in other places!

What happens if something hazardous spills on the tracks behind the Quay?

Continue to work with rail companies to mitigate noise.

Add a boat launch and facilities at Muni Evers Park site.

Build a new pedestrian connection over the rail tracks from the Quay to Twelfth St.

Private boat tie up for short term day visits.

Improve pedestrian connections and accessibility around New Westminster SkyTrain Station (e.g. to Columbia Square, Hyack Square, River Market).

Give more money to the FRDC for programs, exhibits and marketing.

Expand the Anvil Centre (more space for museum, archives, theatre, art gallery, public space).

Make Hyack Square a place people want to hang out – add seating and some covered areas.

Create staff parking near the River Market for people working in the area.

Westminster Pier Park – we love to scooter and participate in the Terry Fox run.

New towers need a third elevator.

Have a Downtown that feels safe.

Don’t settle for poor building design.

All of the parkade should come down.

Morph remaining section of the parkade into a Park and Ride for Columbia Station.

Create a park on the top level of the parkade – like the Highline Park in New York.

Parkades Uptown are free, parkades downtown are not. People shop outside of New Westminster because of parking convenience.

Remove rail lines from Front St.

Make access to the new school safe. Remove trucks or even make Royal a pedestrian only street. Add an overpass at Royal and Dufferin Street. It is dangerous for kids because people run red lights, etc. to get onto the bridge. Also build and overpass over McBride near Royal so kids in Victoria Hill can walk to school.

Have a riverfront trail between Coquitlam and Burnaby. This includes connecting Westminster Pier Park to Sapperton Landing Park and improving the connection between 22nd Street Station and the Downtown. Make the trail safe, visible, and well lit. All of these trail segments will improve waterfront access.

The Pattullo Bridge should be tolled – a road tax may be more appropriate.

Pattullo Bridge should be four lanes.

Pattullo Bridge should be six lanes.

Pattullo Bridge should only be updated (rather than replaced).

The bridge should be turned into a Highline Park (Picnic on the Pattullo!)

New bridge should align with McBride.

More hire-rise apartments in the Downtown to increase people living on or near Columbia Street.

Have community gardens for people living in condos (and give some produce to the poor).

Create an outdoor performance venue.

Put more City services downtown due to growth (e.g. increase street cleaning).
Locate mixed density urban villages around a central vital core instead of allowing high-rises everywhere.

Have functional harbour.

Rail museum at The Keg.

Revitalize Begbie Square.

Make Agnes St a greenway, as planned.

Make all exits at the Columbia SkyTrain Station accessible.

Diversify the shops. More local serving shops (e.g. for cheese and meet), food and coffee shops – and less bridal shops! Offer tax incentives for quality businesses on Columbia – Revitalize Columbia St.

Introduce bollards on Columbia St.

Finish the Fourth St Bridge.

Red historic bricks on Fourth St made by chain-gang. Bricks should be protected for heritage value.

Update and revitalize Columbia St – be creative! Power-wash all of the buildings.

Limit the height of towers (e.g. 20 storeys) and have a variety of heights.

Limit the number of towers.

Preserve light and river views.

Variety of housing types.

Clean the Fraser River.

Make Downtown more walkable and accessible.

Integrate an elementary school into the Larco development. There is a large population of children in the Quay.

Re-route truck traffic to South Fraser Perimeter Road bypassing New Westminster (Does it connect to the east-west connector?)

Albert Crescent Park needs to be upgraded. Protect views from the park.

More control of illegal parking in areas with limited parking (e.g. enforce 2 hour parking in Victoria Hill).

Need commercial space in Victoria Hill.

It was a great idea to keep the mature trees in Victoria Hill.

Increase connections to Glenbrook Ravine.

Glenbrook Ravine has great walking. It is cool in the summer and great year round.

Improve access to and parking at Sapperton Landing Park.

Fraser View is a good neighbourhood with great views and a consistent character.

Improved housing construction regulations to increase energy efficiency and sustainability. Really like the Crosstown Greenway and it is important but Richmond St is no longer appropriate for bikes.

Have a unique, preserved village in lower Sapperton.

Develop East Columbia Street with a unique, walkable, “main street” feel with low-rises, shops and restaurants. Like the “Great Streets” concept. Do more than just traffic calming to improve the public realm (e.g. divert traffic). Good little shops in a good little neighbourhood.

Connect East Columbia St to other shopping.

Improve connection through Royal Columbian Hospital.

SkyTrain should run later or there should be a night bus for people who start work very early.

Keep commercial on East Columbia St – do not allow creep into neighbourhoods (e.g. down Sherbrooke St).

Large capacity rail to Surrey and Coquitlam.

Add multifamily housing for families around Braid SkyTrain Station. Be forward-thinking planning for this area. Keep high rises focused directly around SkyTrain – no spillover into existing neighbourhoods.

Preserve the single-family houses in lower Sapperton. Don’t allow commercial encroachment – allow infill housing.

Think about creative infill for single family areas.

Maintain the heavy industrial area.

Have a renewed vision for the Braid industrial area.

Don’t allow incinerators in New Westminster, especially the Braid industrial area.

Have a community centre at Sapperton Green.

Include a library branch in the Sapperton Green development.

Create a strong park connection between Sapperton Green and Hume Park.

Access to Sapperton Green should be through the Crain site (Coquitlam) and onto North Road.

Hume Park is unique – active recreation and natural area below. Preserve natural area!

Have a variety of housing types (e.g. do not allow single family homes to be replaced by condos/townhouses/high-rises).

Stand firm against the Bailey Bridge!

Traffic calming at Hume.

The lane is better for walking than East Columbia St. Make a formal pedestrian trail.

What should happen in this area of East Columbia?

Improve bike crossing on East Columbia/North Road – not enough space for pedestrians and bikes.

Improve Brunette interchange – wider roads, new truck routes.

Bottle neck caused by the lights, train intersection and the Bailey Bridge.

Replace the Pattullo Bridge with one directly to Coquitlam.