



## **RESIDENTS’ ASSOCIATION FORUM**

**Wednesday, September 11, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.**  
**Council Chamber, City Hall**

### **MINUTES**

**PRESENT:**

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| Councillor Nadine Nakagawa | - Chair                      |
| Mike Bohn                  | - Connaught Heights          |
| Dee Beattie                | - McBride Sapperton          |
| Karl Moser                 | - Victoria Hill/Ginger Drive |
| Steve Norman               | - Queen’s Park               |
| Jason Lesage               | - Massey Victory Heights     |
| Quentin Vander Mere        | - Downtown                   |
| Laura Ranalletta           | - Queensborough              |
| Elmer Rudolph              | - West End                   |
| Vickie Turvey              | - Quayside Community Board   |

**REGRETS:**

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| Councillor Chuck Puchmayr | - Council Member   |
| Doug Bjornson             | - Glenbrooke North |
| Ken Bourdeau              | - Brow of the Hill |
| Harry Crosby              | - Moody Park       |

**STAFF:**

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| Lynn Roxburgh | - Development Services |
| Nicole Ludwig | - Assistant City Clerk |

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

**1.0 ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

**MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the agenda of the September 11, 2019 Residents’ Association Forum meeting be amended to include the following items:*

*5.1 Committee Review*

**CARRIED.**

All members of the Forum present voted in favour of the motion.

## **2.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

### **2.1 Adoption of the Minutes of June 26, 2019**

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of the June 26, 2019 Residents' Association Forum meeting be adopted.*

**CARRIED.**

**(Jason Lesage absent for the vote)**

All members of the Forum present voted in favour of the motion.

## **3.0 PRESENTATIONS**

There were no items.

## **4.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **4.1 Residents' Association Boundaries**

Lynn Roxburgh, Development Services, provided an overview of the existing boundaries for Residents' Associations, noting the following:

- Residents' Association boundaries are typically defined by associations for their purposes and have evolved away from statistical areas typically used by the City for planning purposes;
- In revising the boundaries, it is important to make sure that every resident is included in a Resident Association;
- It is important to consider what actually works for the associations; the City will not be defining the Residents' Association boundaries.

In response to questions, Ms. Roxburgh noted that authority to change the boundaries of a Residents' Association depends on how that is defined in the Terms of Reference.

Councillor Nakagawa explained this matter had come up because since the establishment of the Victoria Hill/Ginger Drive Residents Association, there has been discussion between other associations that the existing boundaries might need changing, and it made sense to have everyone in the same room for the discussion.

The following matters were discussed:

- Clarifying whether or not Victoria Hill/Ginger Drive Residents' Association includes Leopold Place and Bushby Street;

- Sapperton and Massey Heights so that Sapperton would include the area east of Braid Street, and Massey Victory Heights would include part of the area below Eighth Avenue that had been part of Sapperton.
- Quayside and Downtown so that the river side of Front Street could be part of Quayside.

Following discussion, Ms. Roxburgh advised members should take changes back to their Residents' Associations and discuss any amendments to terms of reference. Ms. Roxburgh agreed to make changes to the map in terms of names and boundaries, and update the City website and the brochure. She agreed to send updates with discussion points to bring back to the Residents' Associations, and for the Downtown Residents' Association to confirm the Leopold Place and Bushby Street change.

Attendees agreed to take the proposed changes back to their residents' associations for discussion and/or approval.

## **5.0 NEW BUSINESS**

### **5.1 Committee Review**

Attendees noted Council has been undergoing a review of Advisory Committees and requested information on the status.

Councillor Nakagawa provided an overview, noting research has been done and a survey was sent out to Committee members.

In response to questions, the Assistant City Clerk agreed to investigate the process for sending out the survey to Committee members.

## **6.0 REPORTS AND INFORMATION**

### **6.1 Residents' Associations Updates**

#### Connaught Heights

Mike Bohn reported the following:

- There is a meeting next week;
- The association has a couple of grants which must be used by November; a community event is being planned;
- Connaught Heights Park construction should be complete within the next month.

## Massey-Victory Heights

Jason Lesage reported the following:

- A block party was planned, however it rained; recommended Lions Club if anyone is organizing a block barbeque;
- Hosting an all candidate meeting on October 17, 2019, at Mt. Zion Lutheran Church; all declared candidates are invited;
- Suggested a full four way light at the intersection of Eighth Avenue and Richmond Street to mitigate the dangers of the intersection.

## Sapperton

Dee Beatty reported the following:

- The RA is now referring to itself as "Sapperton Residents' Association" however the society papers still need to be amended;
- There was a meeting the previous Thursday where they had an update from the school district on the replacement of McBride Elementary School and an update on the Royal Columbian Hospital Redevelopment;
- The Principal of Urban Academy is talking to parents about being more respectful of the neighbourhood at school dropoff/pickup;
- Sapperton Cleanup days has 32 people registered, including a group from Fraser Health who will be doing cigarette butt cleanup around Royal Columbian Hospital. Anyone is welcome but registration is required.

## Quayside

Vickey Turvey reported the following:

- RiverFest is happening September 21 and 22, 2019;
- Will hopefully get back to being a big event; and
- City has been helpful in finding solutions for parking at the festival.

## Queensborough

Laura Ranellatta reported the following:

- This Saturday September 15, 2019, is Queensborough Festival from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Queensborough Community Centre;
- Has met with Parks and Recreation regarding rebuilding the lacrosse box which was destroyed when Highway 91A was built; this is a long term discussion;

- There are two cannabis shop proposals before Council; there is not a lot of local opposition, but there are concerns about Parking.

### Queen's Park

Steve Norman reported that the Heritage Conservation Area one year review is of importance to the community.

### Victoria Hill/Ginger Drive

Karl Moser reported the following:

- Current membership of about 60 to 70;
- Had a meeting with the Manager of Transportation focusing on a parking study in Victoria Hill;
- Received a presentation from Fortis Gas regarding placement of the new pipeline; closing two lanes of McBride Street for construction was not well received;
- There will be a community supper before the Annual General Meeting on September 17, 2019; and,
- Attempts to engage with Ginger Drive residents continue.

### West End

Elmer Rudolph reported that the new pedestrian overpass at Stewardson and Sixth Avenue is getting substantial use; this will hopefully lead to upgrades of the trail that goes under that section of the SkyTrain.

### Downtown

Quentin Vandermerwe introduced himself as the new President of the Downtown Residents' Association and reported the following:

- Traffic studies should be more comprehensive; analysts need to consider the impacts of traffic from other developments in the area rather than just their own;
- Many variances seem to be granted for the area causing a lot of construction noise; and
- There will be a significant membership drive including contact with Strata councils in the area.

Councillor Nakawawa reported on recent Council reports, noting two reports back on the climate emergency declaration had come forward from staff and that work is ongoing.

**7.0 NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday, November 13, 2019 at 7 p.m. in Committee Room #2, City Hall

**8.0 ADJOURNMENT**

**ON MOTION**, the meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

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**Councillor Nadine Nakagawa**  
**Chair**

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**Nicole Ludwig**  
**Assistant City Clerk**