

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER

**Meeting of the Advisory Planning Commission
Held at City Hall, 141 West 14th Street, North Vancouver, B.C.
in Conference Room A on Wednesday, May 9th, 2018**

MINUTES

Present: R. Vesely
D. Farley
D. Marshall
M. Higgins
B. Hundal
B. Watt

Staff: S. Smith, Planner 2
R. Fish, Committee Clerk
M. Friesen, Planner
C. Jackson, Manager – Environmental Sustainability

Absent: A. Cameron
A. Boston
S. Huber
T. Valente
Councillor Bell
Councillor Back

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 6:23PM

The Committee noted appreciation for years of service by Suzanne Smith to the Advisory Planning Commission as she leaves her role as Planner 2 for the City of North Vancouver to pursue a new career path.

The Committee welcomed Mike Friesen with a round of introductions.

1. Minutes of the Meeting of the Advisory Planning Commission held April 11th, 2018

It was regularly moved and seconded

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Advisory Planning Commission held April 11th, 2018 be adopted.

Carried Unanimously

2. 2018 Living City Awards

C. Jackson, Section Manager – Environmental Sustainability, presented and reviewed the Living City Nominees with Committee members.

The Living City Award Program recognizes the efforts of individuals, schools, community groups and businesses within the City of North Vancouver that demonstrate outstanding leadership in environmental sustainability.

This year the four nominations are as follows:

1. Nominee: Nancy Dale's Grade 4/5 Class at Boundary Elementary
(Sustainable Transportation, Education and Awareness)

Through participation in the Translink funded "Cool Routes to School" program, students of Nancy Dale's Grade 4/5 class have focused on how they could reduce parents' car-centric behaviours within their school community. Using education, encouragement, enforcement and engineering as guiding principles, this creative group of students created videos on pedestrian safety, participated in distracted driving campaigns and provided feedback on improvements to intersections along 29th street.

2. Nominee: Gerry MacPherson
(Environmental Protection and Enhancement)

Ten years ago at the age of 88, Gerry MacPherson began clearing a ½ acre "no man's land" in his neighbourhood located on the south side of Loutet Park parking lot. Gerry has been instrumental in the transformation of the garden, previously covered with industrial debris, tree stumps, weeds and invasive plants, into a social hub that is increasingly frequented by seniors, students and residents alike.

3. Nominee: Carol Sartor and Kulvir Mann
(Environmental Education and Awareness, Sustainable Transportation)

Carol Sartor and Kulvir Mann are School Travel Planning Facilitators with HASTeBC (Hub for Active School Travel). The duo encourages students and their families to take alternative transportation, providing education about school zone safety and promoting the benefits of active travel. Carol and Kulvir regularly participate in City and community group meetings, giving presentations and using social media to promote walk to school messages to the wider community.

4. Nominee: Pam Pike
(Energy Conservation, Environmental Education and Awareness Environmental Protection and Enhancement, Waste Reduction, Sustainable Transportation, Urban Agriculture)

Pam is the President of the Hamilton Heights Neighbourhood Association. She is an environmental champion in her community and seeks to inspire others to take extraordinary actions to protect the environment through everyday behavior. Pam is extremely active in the community organizing clean up events, advocating for increased recycling bins at City fields, promoting energy conservation, educating residents about coexisting with wildlife and assisting with the development of community gardens located on the corners of Hamilton and Cumberland.

It was regularly moved and seconded

THAT the Advisory Planning Commission has reviewed the 2018 Living City Awards and recommends all four nominees receive awards.

Carried Unanimously

3. 2018 Living City Grants

C. Jackson, Manager – Environmental Sustainability, presented and reviewed the Living City Grants with Committee members.

- 1) **Organization:** Boundary Elementary School
Project: Walk across BC
Amount Requested: \$700

Project Description:

Inspired by participation in the Cool Routes to School Program, students of Boundary Elementary School want to start a Spring Walking and Wheeling Campaign called “Walk BC”. The school will work as a team to accumulate enough kilometers actively travelled to equal the length of British Columbia. Each day students will record the distance they walked or wheeled to and from school. Students in Nancy Dale’s Grade 4/5 class will regularly update and map the total distances travelled and creatively encourage continued participation.

Funds requested would be used to pay for the DJ and decorations for the grand prize (a school dance).

- 2) **Organization:** Ripple Coast
Project: Killer Whales of the Coast
Amount Requested: \$5,000

Project Description:

Ripple Coast will be hosting interactive workshops and educational events throughout schools, community centres and local parks within North Vancouver. These events will

help the community learn more about killer whales, conservation issues, and how the public can help reduce human impacts to the species and environment.

Funds requested would be used for salaries/benefits, honoraria, signs/laminating, educational supplies, and t-shirts.

- 3) Organization:** Gerry's Garden Society
Project: Gerry's Garden
Amount Requested: \$4,300

Project Description:

Established in 2008, Gerry's Garden is a ½ acre community garden that is volunteer created and run. The space was previously covered in concrete, weeds and invasive plants before Gerry MacPherson and volunteers began to transform the space into a vibrant social meeting space that includes benches, paths, trees and habitats for birds, bees and butterflies. The Society is seeking funding assistance for materials to rehabilitate garden beds and complete trail maintenance.

Funds requested would be used for tools, soil, gravel, plants, and rocks/boulders.

- 4) Organization:** Ridgeway Parent Advisory Council
Project:
Amount Requested: \$5,000

Project Description:

Established in 1995, the Ridgeway Parent Advisory Council aims to raise funds to provide Ridgeway students with special programs, equipment and supplies they would not normally have access to. The Council is seeking funding assistance to construct natural play and learning spaces to service the school and its growing community.

Funds requested would be used for contract fees for project design and construction.

- 5) Organization:** North Shore Community Garden Society
Project: Garden Path Renewal
Amount Requested: \$5,000

Project Description:

The Society is seeking funding assistance to purchase materials required to maintain pathways and public spaces within the City's Charros and Queen Mary Community Gardens. The remainder of all funds for materials and labour for the path renewal project will come out of society funds. Both gardens are integral parts of their neighbourhoods and receive a high volume of foot traffic. The project will ensure safe access for mobility challenged gardeners and visitors, reduce water pooling, slow weed growth and provide easier pathways for wheelbarrows to move plants and garden refuse.

Funds requested would be used to purchase materials for road base and to rent a compactor to maintain the pathways and public spaces at Charros and Queen Mary Community Gardens.

- 6) Organization:** Holy Trinity School
Project: Reminder Tickets
Amount Requested: \$300

Project Description:

Holy Trinity Elementary School is seeking funding assistance to produce student designed notices or “reminder tickets” for parents dropping off their children to school. These tickets will allow volunteers to hand out information with tips and reminders to ensure students are safe within the school zone during arrival and dismissal. Tickets will explain the benefits of sustainable transportation and will explain the “Drive to 5” – safe locations where parents can park and walk a few blocks away (5 minute walking distance) from the school. The tickets will function to reduce the volume of traffic around the school and ensure drop off zones are safer for those using active modes of transportation.

Funds requested would be used for printing reminder tickets designed by the students.

- 7) Organization:** Larson Elementary School Parents Association
Project: Everyday Adventures
Amount Requested: \$3,200

Project Description:

The Parents Association of Larson School is seeking funding for a multitude of projects encouraging sustainable transportation for students, staff and parents. The project includes a volunteer run carnival distributing information and bike safety prizes during Bike to School Week, the development and distribution of a best bike routes map to Larson School, a bike safety education seminar and installation of a covered bike rack on school grounds.

Funds requested would be used for a bicycle rack facility at the school, bike education in the fall, a “Best Routes to Larson” safe routes map, a bike rodeo event after school for students to improve bike skills and safety, and prizes for Bike to School week.

- 8) Organization:** North Shore Mountain Bike Society
Project: Bridle Path Revitalization project
Amount Requested: \$5,000

Project Description:

The proposed project is seeking funding to complete work on one of three main sections of the Bridle Path Trail on Mount Seymour as part of their “Bridle Path Revitalization Project”. The three kilometer Bridle Path Trail is used by user groups of all ages including bikers,

dog walkers and hikers, and is an integral part of the North Shore Trail network. The funding will be used to conduct trail work on a section of the Bridle Path that lies within jurisdiction of the District of North Vancouver. Work involves resurfacing the trail path, improving water management, repairing existing wooden bridges and planting ferns and trees.

Funds requested would be used for salaries for the NSMBS's trail crew.

It was regularly moved and seconded

THAT the Advisory Planning Commission has reviewed the 2018 Living City Grant applications and recommends that 2018 grants be awarded as follows:

Grant Applications Recommended:

Name of Applicant	Amount Recommended
Boundary Elementary School	\$700
Gerry's Garden Society	\$4,000
Ridgeway Parent Advisory Council	\$5,000
North Shore Community Garden Society	\$2,400
Holy Trinity School	\$300
Larson School Parents Association	\$2,600
TOTAL	\$15,000

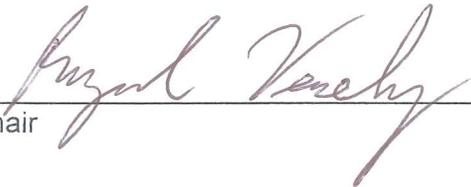
AND THAT Ripple Coast Society and North Shore Mountain Bike Association be thanked for their applications and be advised that their application for a 2018 Living City Grant has been denied.

Carried Unanimously

4. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Advisory Planning Commission will be held on Wednesday, June 13th, 2018.


Chair