# THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER Regular meeting of the Social Planning Advisory Committee Held in City Hall, Conference Room 'A' On Wednesday, March 27, 2013 at 7:00pm

## **MINUTES**

PRESENT:

Mary Tasi

Antje Wilson, Chair Kenneth Izatt, Vice-Chair Arash Ehteshami Greg Geub Tomoko Ito Carmen Lavoie Nadia Louzado Steve Tornes **ABSENT:** 

Rod Clark, Councillor

STAFF:

Paul Penner, Community Planner Edytha Barker, Committee Clerk

9 members – quorum = 5 1 Councillor (non-voting) 2 staff (non-voting)

# 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

# 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of February 27, 2013 were adopted as circulated.

## 3. UPDATES

- a. Councillor
- b. Staff
  - The Community Development Worker (J. Buitenhuis) is currently in the process of working with the Lookout Homeless Shelter on the Homelessness Employment Initiative. There will be a contract position out of the Lookout Shelter to help homeless people find gainful employment.
  - Youth Week is coming up May 1-7. A calendar of events will be on the City's website as well as in the North Shore News.
  - The committee to evaluate the Child & Youth Grant applications will be meeting next week. We have \$58,000 requests and approximately \$20,000 available.
  - The same committee will be reviewing the applications for Youth Awards.

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- J. Buitenhuis is also working on the Studio in the City project in which artists are matched with youth aspiring to be artists to work on public art pieces in City. This year the project is a digital display at Shipbuilders' Square.
- The second Onni public hearing was held and the project received approval. Final consideration is still to happen. Community amenities come with this proposal. There will be 37 space child care facility and affordable housing as well as a contribution to the City's Civic Amenity Fund.
- P. Penner recently attended a long range facility planning meeting for school district. Queen Mary Elementary School will NOT re-open in September, possibility October.

#### 4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. Initial Review of Community Grant Applications

A. Wilson suggested the committee review the list in order in a round table manner. If numbers are not yet agreed upon with the small groups, a range will be added in the comments section and the highest number in the far column.

P. Penner advised the committee that a couple of applications to the Children & Youth Initiatives Fund are very similar to ones send to the Community Grants.

The amounts were then discussed and the spreadsheet was populated. A first review was done. The committee started on a secondary review of amounts and ended with application #25, where they will pick up at next month's meeting.

### 5. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. <u>CityShaping Update Report and Presentation to Council</u>
  P. Penner referred to the CityShaping report and Powerpoint presentation sent in the committee agenda package. He noted that two reports considered by Council that evening. The first report was from the new City Planner, Mark Roseland on Community Capital Framework. Mark will attend April's SPAC meeting to give a full presentation which speaks to moving forward on the OCP.
  - P. Penner advised that we are at Stage 3 in the CityShaping Process. Based on the input received to date, 3 places were the City could add residential capacity have been identified. These are Central Lonsdale, East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and the Mahon Park area. Details on the rationale are in Powerpoint presentation. Residents in the East 3<sup>rd</sup> Street area are concerned about property values due to the expansion of the Low Level Road and the Richardson grain terminal. This area would have a lot of community support for adding density. Mahon Park area, north of Keith Road would be ideal area for families as it is close to parks/schools/transit. Many people feel that Central Lonsdale is the most appropriate area for additional residential density. The City has also been directed to look at residential capacity around Harry Jerome Rec Centre. Council has given staff the green light to focus on those 3 areas.

The next CityShaping event will be held on Monday, April  $29^{th}$  from 1-9 p.m. in the Atrium at City Hall. This will be an open house style event and will give the public an opportunity to give input on land use and policies that make up a

community plan. People will hear a staff presentation, look at materials, and be able to indicate their preference of scenarios. Free child minding will be offered to parents wishing to attend the event.

The next step after that will be to report back to Council, and then to begin a first draft of a new OCP over the summer, which would be rolled out in the fall.

- 6. ADJOURNMENT 8:50 p.m.
- 7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING April 24, 2013

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