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, April 23, 2014 at 7:00pm

MINUTES

PRESENT: 
Antje Wilson, Chair  
Mary Tasi, Vice-Chair  
Nick Bryant  
Tomoko Ito  
Ray Moore  
Maria Sponza  
Steve Tornes  
Arash Ehteshami

ABSENT: 
Rod Clark, Councillor

STAFF: 
Paul Penner, Community Planner  
Jean Hnachuk, Committee Clerk

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

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA 
The agenda for April 23, 2014 was approved with the addition of the following:

4(c) SPAC Input  
   i) SPAC suggested revisions to the draft OCP  
   ii) Design for the Youth strategy

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING  
The minutes of the meeting of March 26, 2014 were adopted as circulated.

3. UPDATES  
a) Staff  
   • CityShaping Process – Three more Town Hall meetings were held. All were well- 
     attended with an unprecedented level of public engagement - over 300 people 
     attended at Queen Mary School and over 400 people attended the Pinnacle Hotel. 
     Staff are hoping to report back to Council on May 12th, 2014, with the aim for a public 
     hearing in June 2014.  
   • Harbourside Development Proposal – Council passed this proposal. This is a 
     significant development, and will likely be phased in over 10-15 years.  
   • 255 West 1st Street/260 West Esplanade (Orange Roof Building) - A public hearing 
     took place last week. The existing building is currently home to a number of non-profit 
     agencies, who will have to relocate. It was noted as part of the new development 
     proposal, 15,000 square feet of office space will be for lease to non-profit societies at 
     25% below market rate, which will be secured through a covenant on title, and is part 
     of the density bonusing negotiation.
• **Early Years Centres Test Sites RFP** – Staff reported last month that Council had approved a motion to endorse the NS Child & Family Friendly Charter and its Right to Play initiative and for staff to pursue the development of family hubs in the City. The Province has put out a Request for Proposal for Early Years Centres in the Lower Mainland. The Early Childhood Network of the North Shore is collectively supporting an application by Family Services of the North Shore. There will be five test sites in BC in 2014, and an additional 50 centres funded in 2015.

• **Substance Abuse Working Group** – P. Penner attended this meeting last week. One project currently under construction in Murdo Fraser Park is a women’s residential recovery home to be operated by the Turning Point Support Recovery Society. The official opening will be September 18-19, 2014. Other projects are also being discussed.

• **Child, Youth and Family Friendly Strategy** – Underway. Looking at creating an App for this.

• **CityFEST Youth Festival and 2nd Annual Longboard Race** – To be held on Saturday May 3, 2014, 11:00 – 4:00pm at Centennial Theatre Parking Lot and Skateboard Park. Youth concerts, games, prizes, food, fun and skateboarding are planned. There were 4,000 attendees last year.

• **Youth Grants & Scholarships** – Deadline for applications was March 13, 2014. The City will be celebrating Youth on Thursday, May 8, 2014. There will be a photo booth, DJ and food catered by HAVE Café. HAVE is a social enterprise café and catering company out of the Downtown East Side. HAVE has recently begun working and training people out of the kitchen at the NS Lookout Shelter.

• **North Shore Family Court & Youth Justice Committee** – The committee will be meeting with North Shore MLAs to discuss its relationship with the Attorney General’s office, to whom the committee is supposed to report.

• **Child & Youth Initiatives Funds** – A report outlining the recipients will be brought before Council on May 5, 2014.

4. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

   a. **Community Grants – Final Review**

   Recommendations for Community Grants were reviewed and final decisions were made.

   *The Committee took a five minute break at 8:10 p.m. while reviewing the Community Grants.*

   The Committee Clerk will update the spreadsheet, and the Chair will write a Report to Council to be brought forward at the next meeting.

   **ACTION: CHAIR / COMMITTEE CLERK**

5. **OTHER**

P. Penner will email the SPAC members information on the definitions of walkability and Community Supporting Community, as well as the design elements for the Youth Strategy. If SPAC members have any questions regarding the Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund applications, they were asked to email them to P. Penner in advance of the next meeting.

**ACTION: P. PENNER**
P. Penner noted, per the Work Program, he would like to discuss inviting speakers to attend future SPAC meetings and offered some suggestions. This will be further discussed at the next meeting.

**ACTION: ALL**

Other handouts were provided for SPAC members to take, i.e. NS Neighbourhood House and their Spring Drive and the North Shore Homeless Contact Numbers Reference Guide.

5. **ADJOURNMENT – 9:10 pm**

6. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING – May 28, 2014**

Chair

Date