

University Endowment Lands
Minutes from the
Community Advisory Council Meeting
Monday January 20, 2020
Community Amenity Space Suite 300 - 5755 Dalhousie Rd

CAC Members present:

Claire Huxtable, Area D
Mojan Nozari, Area D
Dan Johnstone, Area D
Judie Glick, Area C
Vanessa Young, Area A

Regrets: Lynne Pomfret, Area A

Administrative Assistant: Dianne Owen
UEL Staff: Jonn Braman - UEL Manger

1. Call the meeting to order

A quorum being present, the meeting of the Community Advisory Council was convened at 6:07 pm. Dianne Owen acted as Administrative Assistant of the meeting and Claire Huxtable chaired the meeting.

2. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved by the council
Motion by Dan Johnstone, Seconded by Judie Glick

3. Approval of the minutes dated December 16, 2019

Upon motion duly made and accepted, it was resolved that:
The minutes of the council meeting held on December 16, 2019, be approved as presented.

4. Delegations

4.1 David Eby, MLA Vancouver, Pt. Grey

- Priority items
 - Governance study: a firm has been awarded the contract; will be signed shortly and then the study can get underway
 - Community Centre funding gap - no update at this time
- Noise control
 - David's office continues to talk with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
 - David to update the CAC by next meeting

- David and the MMAH are aware that the CAC wants to have this set up for this summer
- Requests for RCMP staffing increase
 - David was copied on the CAC's letter to the Min of Public Safety
 - They continue to try to come up with an arrangement that would take into account the daytime student population
- CAC and Minister Robinson meeting has been set - up
 - David's office and Jen McCutchen helped get this set up
- Michael Karton will be missed by many people and did a lot for the UEL
- Feedback from the CAC on the Area D Plan has been forwarded to David.

Action: David Eby to come to February 18, 2020 meeting if possible

Action: CAC priorities for the next twelve months are already on the CAC website, but will also be posted on the website's front page

4.2 Jen McCutchen, Director - Elect Metro Vancouver Electoral Area A

- Jen could not make the meeting but had Claire read the following:
- Jen's first Engagement meeting will be held on **Thursday Jan 23 at 6:30 at the Wesbrook Community Centre (social room)**. The point of these quarterly sessions is to share relevant and interesting information from Metro Vancouver and TransLink and for Jen to hear concerns and questions from Electoral Area A residents. Here is a little more on Thursday's session:

Acting Local: What is our Regional Government Doing in the Areas of Climate Action and Environmental Protection?

Trying to figure out the best ways to mitigate and adapt to the effects of climate change and environmental degradation can feel overwhelming. Join our elected regional representative, Jen McCutcheon, for an informative session on ways in which our region, Metro Vancouver, is addressing these critical issues, and bring your questions and suggestions to help guide future decision-making.

This session is the first in a series of engagement sessions offered to the community by Jen McCutcheon. Jen serves as the Electoral Area A Director on the Metro Vancouver Board of Directors and as a member of the Mayors' Council for Regional Transportation, representing residents of UBC/UNA/UEL (and other unincorporated areas of the region). She is offering these quarterly sessions as a way to bring more information about regional issues to residents, and to hear questions, concerns and suggestions. Topics planned for future sessions include: the proposed SkyTrain extension to UBC, and emergency planning for the UBC/UEL peninsula.

Jen is always happy to discuss or elaborate on the issues covered in any of the EAA Director's updates or any other relevant suggestions or concerns you may have. Please don't hesitate to reach out to Jen at this email address (areajen@gmail.com).

4.3 Claire and Jen met with Richard Watson, new Chair of the UNA; discussions on topics of mutual interest such as RCMP staffing levels will continue; information on UNA meeting on Jan 21st to be sent to CAC members

5. CAC Correspondence:

1. Bank balance was \$15,001.052 as of January 7, 2020
2. Letter from Ministry of Finance & Deputy Premier in response to the CAC letter asking for a repeal of the School Tax
 - a. The letter from the Min of Finance tied the School Tax to the government's Housing Plan
 - b. The CAC will respond, asking for clear targets for housing affordability and a government commitment that the tax will be removed once these targets are achieved

Action: Claire write a letter for CAC to approve in response

6. Actions from last meeting:

1. **Action:** David Eby to come to January 20, 2020 meeting
2. **Action:** Write a letter to the Minister of Public Safety for more RCMP. UEL and UNA should write separate letters. Ask UBC to write a letter for more RCMP
 - Sent in January
 - schools and local neighbourhood associations are encouraged to write their own letters in support of more RCMP
 - We received a thank you email from Sgt. Lan
3. **Action:** 2019 Society Annual Report (Renewal)
 - Completed on website
4. **Action:** Comment from the CAC would be appreciated by the next CAC meeting. Area D Neighbourhood Plan
 - Submitted to Jonn Braman on Jan 19th
 - Motion to include in minutes; Mojan Nozari, seconded by Vanessa Young

Action: Area D Neighbourhood Plan Appended to the minutes

7. Manager's Report appended to the Minutes

7.1 Heather Shay, MCIP, RPP, Planning Officer, University Endowment Lands

- Jonn and Heather outlined ADP feedback in Area D Plan
- On question about following UBC's lead on reduction of food service waste, Heather said efforts are already underway within the UEL
- Question regarding Cressey's commitment to improve treed area in front of Marketplace: there is nothing in the Area D Plan that would stop Cressey from getting a solution in place

Action: Claire to write a letter to Tom at Cressey from CAC requesting action on this issue

CAC needs an Area B Rep.

- Michael Karton has passed away and we are looking for an Area B rep.
 - We received an email from Daniel Nocente who has served before, but is living in Paris for 7 months and may not be able to make it to all the meetings
 - Decision was made by Council to try again to find a community member who is living in Area B full-time

Action: Send out another email for Area B rep for the CAC and ADP

8. Committee Reports

- Budget Committee
 - Chair: Mojan Nozari,
Claire Huxtable
No budget updates at this time

- Communication Committee
 - Chair: Judie Glick,
Lynne Pomfret
 1. Staying in communication with the UEL through the newsletter
 2. Putting the Priority List in the newsletter
 3. Remembrance of Michael (ask Lynne to write it)
 4. Delivery of next newsletter will be the end of February
 5. Newsletter to be hand delivered by all council members - all agreed
 6. Last time 2000 copies were printed
 7. Leaving some copies in community centres
 8. Will follow up with Kim for stories, with potential for a larger newsletter

Action: Judie: Production and delivery assignment of current newsletter by the end of February

- Governance Committee
 - Chair: Claire Huxtable
Vanessa Young volunteered for the Governance Committee

Action: Claire will meet with Min. Robinson on Feb 6th

- Community Committee
 - Chair: Mojan Nozari
Claire Huxtable and Judie Glick
 1. No updates: waiting for Jonn, Minister or developer

9. Old Business

10. New Business

- Snow removal on Wednesday seemed slow and some areas were poorly serviced, no side streets just main roads
- Acadia was not cleared on Wednesday and Bus #14 was stuck
- Sidewalks had not been cleared and were dangerous

Response from the Manager:

- The crews were out at 6 am; the UEL only has two plows
- Buses were also piled up at the bottom of 4th and Alma
- Residents are responsible for cleaning off their own sidewalks
- Go to mainroads.ca and submit your feedback
- Jonn to send CAC UEL snow clearance priority map
- Schools are responsible for their own roads

11. Questions from the public

- Strong community concern that 64 trees along Wesbrook Crescent are scheduled to be cut down
 - The plan is to replace 15 at a time, not all at once
- Community members would like to see more selective and better quality tree care, with the target of preserving rather than cutting down trees
 - If they are deemed unsafe, they will be removed
- Questions from the public regarding the level of hazard these trees pose
 - No one has been hurt by branches etc, but there has been a near miss
 - A car had minor damage
- Suggestion to have an independent assessment done by an arborist who would not be under contract to perform tree services; public was in agreement with this suggestion
- Public safety is Jonn's responsibility and the UEL has a contract with Davey Tree Services
- Residents see the trees as a barrier between homes and large UBC developments; the trees reduce noise and screen the community

Action: Claire to raise the tree issue with the Minister; explore the possibility of an independent assessment

- Area D Plan neighbourhood signatures opposing the proposed potential allowance for a 6-8 storey residence on the corner of Wesbrook and University
 - Lutheran/Mennonite parcel is included in Area D Plan
 - This property could be rezoned
 - Prior CAC thought it would be good to include it in the planning process to allow the community to finally determine the status of the parcel
 - Public comments expressed strong community opposition to a 6-8 residence on the site
 - All feedback goes to the Minister in a report
 - The Minister will make the final decision about Plan recommendations
 - If there are by-law changes required, they will come before the CAC

Action: Claire to follow-up with Minister

12. Setting the Next Meeting

- **Tuesday February 18, 2020 at 6 pm**

13. Adjournment 7:48 pm

Manager's report Jan 20 CAC mtg

Manager's Report

DP #1/19 for 5570 Chancellor Boulevard was approved.

Snow clearing with the last event was challenging, but successful. Crews had an early start. Residents are reminded of their responsibility to clear sidewalks adjacent to their properties.

Construction:

- Pump Station, Area C: A section of new forcemain was installed and is operational. Clean up and landscape repairs will begin tomorrow, but are weather dependent.
- Pressure Reducing Valves, Area B: Digging will commence late Feb for planned installation of underground vaults in early March. Notices to affected residents will go out in advance of pressure changes (no notice – not affected).
- Dalhousie Water Main, Area D: Main installation complete. Final trench paving will be scheduled once weather permits.
- Emergency water repair, Area D: Large tree pulled a ventilation valve from a water main near Western and Agronomy. Crews removed the tree and repaired the line over the weekend. Tree will be replaced, but not in that location.

Area D Plan:

- Received written feedback from CAC.
- Received feedback from ADP. Highlights include:
 - Encourage fast-tracking BC Energy Step Code for Part 3 buildings.
 - Recommend developing an urban landscape plan for Area D public realm.
 - Area A properties (Lutheran/Mennonite) should be developed sensitive to adjacent residential neighbourhoods.
 - Suggested plans include requirement for low embodied energy and/or sustainable construction materials in new developments.