

**District of North Vancouver and
North Vancouver Community Associations Network (NVCAN)
DRAFT MEETING NOTES**

Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2017
Location: DNV Hall, 355 Queens St W
Time: 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

DNV PRESENT: Dan Milburn
Tom Lancaster
Sarah Dal Santo
Karen Rendek

NVCAN PRESENT: John Miller	Lower Capilano
Margaret Fraser	Lynn Valley
Val Moller	Woodcroft
Babs Perowne	Woodcroft
Barry Fenton	Blueridge
Paul Tubb	Pemberton Heights
David Knee	Norgate Park
Greg Cameron	Edgemont & Upper Capilano
Corrie Kost	Edgemont & Upper Capilano
Chris Sallis	Strathcona
Eric Andersen	Blueridge
Gillian Konst	Lynn Valley
Diana Belhouse	Delbrook
Jane Chersak	Norwood/Queens
Katherine Fagerlund	Deep Cove
Karen Barnett	Seymour

GUEST: Marueen Bragg Lynn Valley

The introduction by Dan Milburn described the background to the meeting, and defining the scope for the evening's discussion. Dan set out the timeline to prepare the Development Management Plan, discussed changing demographics and reviewed the items presented to Council as suggested target areas. NVCAN points raised at this time:

- Parks were a necessary part of a community.
- Environment issues and measures need to be included in the OCP review.
- Reporting to the community-at-large on the progress and timeline for completion of construction by project would set expectations of the community.
- Website enhancement adding geographic points being constructed/redeveloped is appreciated. However, also needs to track (say on a separate page) the completed projects. This would also assist in measuring progress.

Tom Lancaster opened the discussion on the scope of the OCP review, followed by a roundtable discussion. Many points were reinforced by more than one community association representative. The OCPIC indicators from their final report were referenced as suitable measures. NVCAN identified items to be measured:

- Ensure sufficient staff were available. Concern was expressed that current staff were being overwhelmed by the workload (delay in parking by-laws, one planner working on projects from Lions Gate to Deep Cove).
- Community spirit is a key factor. Implementing the OCP and losing community spirit is counter to intent. Providing a variety of local services/shops so people did not need to leave their local area for necessities.
- Good paying local jobs needed as well as affordable housing so service workers can work here to reduce commute to/from other Metro areas.
- Transit/traffic volumes and times of congestion measures are needed – roads in place before development. Construction planning needs to be integrated across the North Shore, considering that City of NV traffic crosses District of NV.
- Transit should be improved to cut down travel time, and there was also a suggestion for an alternative east/west route to avoid having to use the highway and help with traffic congestion.
- Infrastructure needs to keep pace with development.
- Clarification needed on 'low density' in single family neighbourhoods, especially regarding 'in-fill' (renovations for suites, lane housing, etc.). In-fill should take priority over market housing within a single family neighbourhood for a number of reasons. Eg, it will likely address the problem of affordability for seniors, young families.
- Market and non-market rentals are needed. Demovictions reduce both affordable and market stock during the construction period.
- Track projects that file permits but do not develop within the expected timeframe.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.