

North Vancouver Community Associations Network (NVCAN)

Minutes of Regular Meeting

Date: Wednesday April 20, 2022

Location: Zoom

Time: 7:00 – 8:35 pm

Present:

John Miller (Chair)	Lower Capilano
Eric Andersen	Blueridge
Val Wilkins	Deep Cove
Corrie Kost	Edgemont Upper Capilano
Lyle Craver	Lynn Valley
Irene Davidson	Norgate Park
Karen Barnett	Seymour
Peter Teevan	Seymour
Babs Perowne	Woodcroft

Regrets:

Cyndi Gerlach	Carisbrooke
Erik Skowronek	Edgemont Upper Capilano
Herman Mah	Pemberton Heights
Val Moller	Woodcroft

Welcome. John welcomed members and guests to the Zoom meeting.

- 1. Approval of Agenda** With the addition of 2 items for New Business: Metro Growth Strategy and Translink Survey, the Agenda was approved.
- 2. Approval of Minutes for March 16, 2022.** The minutes were approved.
- 3. Old Business:**
 - a. NVCAN website** Babs reported that conversion to the new website host has been completed, along with the group's email address (info@nvcan.ca). The website is now a secure website (<https://nvcan.ca>). Following last month's discussion, In the News now features a monthly list of news links to relevant news articles. The Useful Information page has been streamlined with categories for Housing, Transportation, UBCM and Other.
- 4. New Business:**
 - a. Possible Meeting with District MLA's.** It was agreed that Peter will ask MLA Bowinn Ma and MLA Susie Chant to attend the May 18 or June 20 (AGM) meeting of NVCAN.
 - b. Housing Options for Single Family Neighbourhoods.** The group discussed the recent DNV Workshop on Housing Options for Single Family Neighbourhoods. Discussion focused on secondary suites, coach houses, AirBnB, and extending SLIA options. Impacts on primary ownership for tax purposes (floor space ratio of primary/secondary units, capital gains tax on sale of property) were also raised. And the need for zoning by-law updates was reviewed.
 - c. Metro Growth Strategy.** Eric expressed concern that we did not learn of the survey until two days before the closing date for public input, and that information on the public meeting and survey was difficult to find on Metro's website. [Since the meeting, info@nvcan.ca subscribed to Metro's list for their quarterly bulletins. These will be circulated to members.]

- d. **Translink Survey.** Lyle commented that Translink was doing a survey (see Appendix at end of minutes). [Also see [TransLink unveils first 10 years of Transport 2050 priorities](#)].

5. Community Round Table.

- a. **Deep Cove.** Val reported Deep Cove hopes to have a casual dinner in the park in mid-May. Naughton connector future to be discussed at next DNV council meeting on April 25th. With regard to traffic calming along Strathcona Road, a citizen will speak at May 9th council meeting; Engineering Dept. currently studying the issue.
- b. **Seymour.** Karen participated with Blueridge, the NS Mountain Bike Association and other stakeholders regarding trail development in the Lower Seymour area. Peter reported on the plans for Blueridge, Seymour and Deep Cove CA's to partner with Parkgate Society to host an October municipal/local election all candidates meeting. As an intended/declared candidate Peter will provide what technical support regarding the recording and live streaming of the meeting and then will revise himself from the remainder of the planning process.
- c. **Blueridge.** Eric reported the following items: The March BCA newsletter (8 pages) was distributed to all households in Blueridge & Seymour Heights. A long overdue meeting for the Seymour Trail Liaison Committee was held on Zoom and co-hosted by the NSMBA and BCA. All types of trail-user-groups are invited to these semi-yearly meetings as well as the local community associations and Parkgate. It is an excellent way of sharing information. After literally years of complaining further parking restrictions at the top of Blueridge were finally implemented by the DNV this week. It will be monitored to see if it has any effect and whether it is respected by visitors who are driving to Blueridge to use the local trails. A meeting to plan an All Candidates Meeting in the fall for the municipal election will soon be held with other interested parties. The BCA AGM will be held on Tuesday, May 10, at the United Strangers Coffee with the Zoom option available for those unable or unwilling to attend the in-person meeting.
- d. **Norgate.** Irene reported Norgate Park CA will hold its next executive meeting April 28th by Zoom. Of interest to members is the next DNV council meeting on April 25th. The topic for the council Workshop and Regular Meeting: Marine Drive (C9) Commercial Zone Review of policy and guidelines for development.
- e. **Lynn Valley.** Lyle reported Lynn Valley will hold an All-Candidates Meeting in October. He also reported they intervened to get the public input extended by 2 weeks on both the Safeway site and the Black Bear Pub site - both are beyond the densities in the LV "flexible framework".
- f. **Edgemont.** Corrie reported that developments around the community are still underway. EUCCA will hold its AGM on June 10 in the church. Corrie also reported that the District has received an application to redevelop the heritage house that burned down in 2017 (outside the urban containment area).
- g. **Woodcroft.** Babs reported that the Lions Gate Recreation Centre opened on April 20. An announcement in the NSN said currently 600 people are living in the Lions Gate neighbourhood, which discounts the 2000 people living at Woodcroft. Parking access is from Fullerton Avenue. Babs also reported that Fullerton Avenue is under construction for water pipes.
- h. **Lower Capilano.** John reported on the library kiosk at the Lions Gate Recreation Centre, and stated he awaits news of programming.

6. Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 – Regular Meeting

7. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm

Appendix: Transport 2050 Survey Link

2022 Investment Plan & Transport 2050: 10-Year Priorities

Hi DNV Council Watcher,

You previously participated in our Transport 2050 engagements, so we wanted to invite you to have your say on the **2022 Investment Plan** and **Transport 2050: 10-Year Priorities**.

Metro Vancouver, and everyone who lives, works, and plays here, enjoys a broad range of quality transportation choices. These transportation choices, which connect us to the people and places that matter most, are the result of investing in bold visions for the future of transportation.

Most recently, the region adopted Transport 2050, which builds on Metro Vancouver's solid foundation of regional planning, to deliver the next 30 years of transportation improvements.

Now, we're in the process of stabilizing TransLink's funding following the COVID-19 pandemic, which is having a significant impact on transit ridership and fare revenue. The **2022 Investment Plan** will help TransLink maintain the current transit system, advance strategic projects, and replace lost revenue.

At the same time, we're taking the first step in delivering the first decade of investments as outlined in Transport 2050. **10-Year Priorities** is a bold and ambitious blueprint that sets out overarching goals and strategies to ensure an accessible transportation system that is convenient, reliable, affordable, safe & comfortable, and carbon-free.

[Learn more and take the survey starting today through May 4, 2022](#)

Thank you for participating, we look forward to seeing your input!

Kind regards,

The TransLink Team