



Community Associations Liaison Committee

Thursday March 17, 2022

3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

University of Victoria:

Ron Proulx, Executive Director, Facilities Management
Mike Wilson, Director, Campus Planning and Sustainability
Denise Helm, Acting Executive Director, Communications and Marketing
Brita Harrison Brooke, Community & Government Relations
Morgan Slavkin, Community & Government Relations

Community Association Liaisons:

Barry Andruschak (co-chair), Cadboro Bay Residents' Association
Meralin Young, Camosun Community Association
Gayla Baranieski, Mt. Tolmie Community Association
Chris Bartlett, Quadra Cedar Hill Community Association
Eric Dahli, Saanich Community Association Network
Joan Wenman, Gordon Head Residents' Association

Guests:

Dr. Serhy Yekelchuk, Germanic & Slavic Studies, University of Victoria

Regrets:

Jennifer Vornbrock, Community and Government Relations
Juliet Van Vliet, Campus Planner, Campus Planning and Sustainability
Karen Johnston - Associate Director, Public Affairs
Rick Marshall, Community Association of Oak Bay

1. Welcome and Territorial Acknowledgement (Brita)

2. Review and Approval of Agenda (Brita)

APPROVED

3. Approval of December 2021 Minutes (Brita)

APPROVED

4. UVic Campus Planning and Sustainability (Mike Wilson)

Update on Cedar Hill property + its uses

- UVic completed a boundary survey on the Cedar Hill property and discovered a number of encroachments.
- UVic is communicating with neighbours about the numerous encroachments on the property boundaries and are in the process of re-establishing a fence.
- UVic will start using the property as an outdoor research lab for activities such as:
 - geothermal test

- building envelope testing
 - Vikes Cross Country team
- There will be a website to share information and provide updates.

Harrow Woods

- New signage was added at UVIC owned entrances including improvements to Indigenous signage
- Community and the Green Team members were involved in restoration efforts of the woods
- The Green Team will start working on ivy removal in Queenswood.

Major Capital Projects

- NCIL Building
 - Building design updated will be available to view in-person and online
 - Construction contract is out to tender
- ENGR Building
 - Work on the building will begin later this year
 - Trees harvested from the site will be incorporated into the NCIL building
- Student Housing
 - Construction is on track to complete in July
 - Approximately 400+ students will be welcomed into the new residence for August.
 - Completion of residence building #2 is anticipated for July 2023.

5. Roundtable Reports (Facilitated by Brita)

Cadboro Bay (Barry Andruschak):

- The AGM will be held in May in-person at Goward House.
- The re-design of Sinclair Hill and the local plan are being finalized but have been delayed by Saanich.

Camosun (Meralin Young):

- The board voted 4-3 to sell Bowker Creek, but a group is working to prevent the sale due to loss of green space.
- Two Abstract developments on Shelbourne Street and a car free condo on Richmond Road have been proposed. There is concern about their environmental impact on the area.

Mt. Tolmie (Gayla Baranieski):

- Mt. Tolmie Hospital is currently being used as a shelter. It is not clear if this will be long-term or permanent.
- The AGM is on hold as the membership base continues to be built up.
- In June there may be a new representative at the CALC meetings.

Quadra Cedar Hill (Chris Bartlett):

- The community association continues to host its speaker series to engage members,
- Re-organization and re-development of the association is underway. There will be an open house to talk about the proposed changes.
- Two music in the park events are planned for August in Rutledge Park.
- Quadra Street is going from four to two lanes without any consultation with the public or transit.
- The Tillicum renewal project is going ahead.

Saanich (Eric Dahli):

- Hosting an event at Goward House with MLAs Rob Flemming and Murray Rankin.

Gordon Head (Joan Wenman):

- The association underwent a name change from Gordon Head Residents' Association to Gordon Head Community Association. The change was made to be more inclusive and reflective of the work done in community.
- Three strategic planning sessions have been held.
- The AGM will be held in-person on April 28th at Gordon Head Centre.
- A new website is in development and will include a survey/feedback function.
- To help vet developers more efficiently, discussion on how to streamline submissions/presentations from developers to the board are underway (i.e. a questionnaire).
- Music in the park will resume in July at Majestic Park.

6. Guest Speaker: Dr. Serhy Yekelchuk (introduced by Barry Andruschak)

- Dr. Serhy Yekelchuk, Germanic and Slavic Studies, University of Victoria gave a short presentation to the group about the war in Ukraine and historical and current forces driving the conflict.
- He shared what aid Canada is and is not providing.
- Dr. Yekelchuk provided suggestions on how to support Ukraine including purchasing goods from or giving donations to the Ukrainian Cultural Centre and learning more about Ukraine.

7. Upcoming Meetings:

June 16, 2022

September 15, 2022

December 9, 2022