

**South Jubilee Neighborhood Association Meeting
06 February 2018**

Residents attending: 11

Guests: City Neighborhood Advisor: Kimberley Stratford
City Council Liaison: Pam Madoff

Minutes: Charlene Antinuk

Agenda items

An opportunity was extended to everyone present to update the neighborhood map and refreshments were offered.

1. **Minutes:** The minutes of the 07 November 2017 meeting were approved.

2. Trailer Wrapping

Update provided about wrapping our trailer with current logo. Image projected with explanation of the design. Cost of this and the locking system will come within our budget.

Decided: to ask the designer to add a smaller version of the logo to the end of the trailer.

Decided: to ask the designer to incorporate our website info into the design.

3. Caluc Meeting re 1811 Oak Bay Project

Member of SJNA Caluc projected a summary of information provided by Fairfield/ Gonzales and raised some issues re variances. Another resident has letter written to the Mayor and Council re the height of the building and lack of setbacks. Also the cost of the accommodation is not going to help with the lack of housing due to the costs. Concerns expressed about the need for green space. That's more important to some people than the height of the buildings.

Kimberley re high-end rental: prices are very high even with a good income if we consider it being 30% of our take home pay. We're also seeing a more affluent group moving into Victoria. Some people moving into higher priced places open up lower priced places for other people.

Pam – supply is not the answer. Need a comprehensive housing plan.

Related concern regarding changes upcoming for Garden Works - is that we're going to lose all nurseries. Is there an opportunity for a farmers market to start up in this neighborhood? Could we use the school property and put together a nursery that's local? Could have a workshop on how to grow things. Look at the spaces in South Jubilee that are underutilized. Things can be done on very little money if there's the desire and a champion to spearhead it.

Q:What's the criteria for approving a variance?

A: It's the principles that are raised and not so much the number of letters or phone calls. It is good to look at what has been written and then write a letter saying SJNA is in support of what Caluc has said. It's unusual for two neighborhoods to be involved so writing a letter referring to their correspondence seems wise.

Decided: The SJNA will write a letter confirming that the we reviewed the information provided by the Fairfield Gonzalez Caluc during our SJNA meeting.

4. City Rep Reports

- Encouragement to refer to the monthly City Hall What's Happening News publication that's posted on our newsletter
 - James Bay Window Wanderland Feb 24-25
 - Great Neighborhood Grant related Party Wed Mar 15 at Da Vinci Centre
 - Neighbor Day in May
 - Car Free Day in Cook St Village
- Update about City's emailing system
- Community plan and land use
- Tsunami warning – see info in newsletter; encouragement to sign-up for Vic Alert
- Budget – goal inflation plus 1%; likely not any significant changes between now and April; initiatives such as hiring of housing planner and a second heritage planner
- Home occupation by-law – only allowed to have one. To be changed to three,
- Redfern – Fairfield Gonzalez outstanding issues like transportation not just due to the Red Barn; initiate the conversation and build into planning process
- Burnside School major project working to see school rehabilitated to become an education centre, housing, community amenity centre, etc.
- Kisapi property – family own fair amount of property in the region and have not had any desire in the past to sell. However the next generation seems to have a different inclination so we may start hearing about land development.

Question/Answer Period

Q: What's happening with zone 2017?

A: Next step is for staff to respond and come back with info prior to public hearing

Q: Two vacant City owned lots in South Jubilee – what would it take to see them taken over and put to work?

A: School district and City taking a comprehensive look at their properties to do an analysis for what the future might bring. Projecting an increase in student population so some schools may be reopened in the future.

Q: Re Kisapi any possibility the current Council might be aware of our neighborhood wish to have this property maintained as a green space.

A: write to Mayor and Council and Director of Parks to express this interest

Q: is there a budget available for this?

A: very modest budget

5. Remaining Agenda Items

Regarding the trailer and contents policy, Liz kindly offered to write a draft policy proposal for the next SJNA meeting.

6. Next Meeting Date: Tuesday 03 April 2018