

South Jubilee Neighbourhood Association
05 November 2019

14 residents

City Neighbourhood Liaison, Kimberley Stratford

1. Minutes: Minutes of 15 September 2019 were approved

2. Update from City Neighbourhood Liaison

- Presentations to City Council for 2020 have been taking place this week
- Budget town hall meeting on Nov 21 or watch it online; budget town hall for youth same date at Quadra Village community centre
- Leaf collection schedule posted on City website
- City website www.victoria.ca has had a face lift and easier to navigate – please provide feedback
- Planning for bicycle network improvement next stages are underway – next year there will be new corridors – there are drop in workshops you can attend; online survey for cyclists, so please check it out.
- Highlights for City Plans – Jubilee neighbourhood (NH) is in phase 2 which will likely be considered in 2021. Funding is available for phase 2 planning. Access up to \$10,000 for our own activities related to how the NH plan can unfold (consider creative ideas such as story-telling/mapping, etc.). The activities need to be preapproved if we're asking for funding. Intent of funding is to allow us to be prepared for the 2021 formal process. Working group will be put together. Not just homeowner, but tenants and business owners as well as being racially and culturally diverse. Full package info email coming to neighbourhoods this week. Jubilee is unique with two neighbourhoods, North and South Jubilee currently. One City plan will be done for both Jubilee neighbourhoods. Consistent issue she's been hearing from us is about the Kasapi Park green space and our hope that the City would purchase it. North Jubilee doesn't have much green space either. The \$10,000 is for us (North and South Jubilee) to use to prepare for the Plan – renting space, workshop facilitator, etc. The Oak Bay Corridor will have its own plan separate from the three surrounding village plans but will happen at the same time.
- Given that our NH City Plan will be for Jubilee, our SJNA will need to begin working closely with the North Jubilee Neighbourhood Association.

Decided: Matt will get in touch with the NJNA and see when we can meet together.

3. Festival in the Park: The task force met together to reflect on how this community event went. From all feedback it was a great success and not many adjustments will be made for next year. Thank you letters and gift vouchers are being given to all volunteers. Total cost was approximately \$2300. Alternative budget sources may be needed for next year, for example have a minimal charge for food.

4. Traffic Matters: There has been ongoing discussion about this topic over the past year and the City sent a Traffic Dept. staff member to our last meeting. He shared an update regarding some new approaches that are being considered that will impact the improvements to Amphion Street where improvements had begun but now seem to be on

hold. While all residents are free to make their individual recommendations to the City, we considered putting an article in the next newsletter inviting thoughts that we can put forward to the City from the NH, perhaps a simple online survey.

Concern was expressed about the traffic hazard created by the new Red Barn Market and the lack of a crosswalk on Oak Bay Avenue. In addition visibility is needed for the crosswalk at Leighton across Foul Bay. There was a recent serious accident at this location.

Decided: Residents agreed that SJNA board write a letter to the City as soon as possible expressing the critical need for a crosswalk across Oak Bay Ave from Redfern to The Red Barn. In addition this letter will include a request for greater visibility at crosswalk at Leighton and Foul Bay. These are considered as urgent. Matt will write this letter on behalf of the Board and residents.

Decided: To include in the next SJNA newsletter an article inviting residents to share their thoughts about traffic issues and other matters that residents are concerned about. Kelly offered to write this article, perhaps including a simple survey.

5. CALUC Update: There are no changes at this time; check out the City Development Tracker for on-going updates

6. Community Arts & Events Ideas: Residents offered suggestions for various community art projects or other events that could take place in our NH.

- Indigenous art installation could be done in Kasapi Park – example was given of such a display on Finlayson at the Cedar Hill Rec Centre.
- Mural could be done taking advantage of the talents of NH artists (note was made that there is a guideline to follow in this regard – Arts and Cultural Dept.)
- Rainbow crosswalk
- Talking to Victoria Fire Department about having a community bonfire
- Planting trees included as an event at Parkfest next summer
- Having a NH gathering where all members of the family – children, junior youth, youth and adults - are welcome to do something together and where there is an opportunity to hear from the younger generations in particular. They are a special age group with great potential and our NH will be richer hearing from them.
- Family bike event
- Host a day where different groups do diverse things and then come back together – tree/ribbon idea
- Recycle is currently the only place that brings our neighbourhood together regularly. How might we take advantage of that space to do additional things? Perhaps include food and beverages. Maybe a “boot sale” which is like a mini-yard sale out of the back of peoples’ vehicles. What other things could happen during that time period? Perhaps an art project or other activity that provides a venue for all ages to come together. This can be advertised in the newsletter.

Decided: To write an article for the newsletter sharing some of these ideas, inviting residents to share their thoughts about other community events that engage families and all ages. Matt offered to write this article.

7. Next meeting: Date Tuesday Feb 4, 2020