



**City Council
Electronic Meeting**

**Council Chambers, City Hall
6911 No. 3 Road**

**Tuesday, April 11, 2023
7:00 p.m.**

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MINUTES

1. *Motion to:*
- CNCL-9 (1) *adopt the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on March 27, 2023.*



AGENDA ADDITIONS & DELETIONS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

2. *Motion to resolve into Committee of the Whole to hear delegations on agenda items.*



3. Delegations from the floor on Agenda items.

PLEASE NOTE THAT FOR LEGAL REASONS, DELEGATIONS ARE NOT PERMITTED ON ZONING OR OCP AMENDMENT BYLAWS WHICH ARE TO BE ADOPTED OR ON DEVELOPMENT PERMITS/DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMITS.

4. *Motion to rise and report.*



RATIFICATION OF COMMITTEE ACTION

CONSENT AGENDA

PLEASE NOTE THAT ITEMS APPEARING ON THE CONSENT AGENDA WHICH PRESENT A CONFLICT OF INTEREST FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS MUST BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

CONSENT AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

- Receipt of Committee minutes
- Arts Services Year In Review 2022
- Feral Rabbit Management Program
- 2023 UBCM Poverty Reduction Planning and Action Program Grant Submission
- BC's Proposed Coastal Marine Strategy
- Revenue Anticipation Borrowing (2023) Bylaw No. 10445
- Land use applications for first reading (to be further considered at the Public Hearing on May 15, 2023):
 - 12260 Woodhead Road and a portion of 12288 Woodhead Road – Rezone from Single Detached (RS1/F)” Zone and the “Single Detached (RS1/B)” Zone to the “Single Detached (RS2/B)” Zone (Avtar Bhullar – applicant)
 - 8491 No. 4 Road – Rezone from Single Detached RS1/E Zone to the Coach House ZS31 – No. 4 Road Zone (Ajit Aujla and New Villa Holdings – applicant)

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- Social Development Strategy Guiding Principles
- Housing Agreement Bylaw No. 10300 to Permit The City of Richmond to Secure Affordable Housing Units at 8100, 8120 and 8180 Westminster Highway

5. *Motion to adopt Items No. 6 through No. 15 by general consent.*

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Consent
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6. COMMITTEE MINUTES

That the minutes of:

- CNCL-20 (1) the **Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee** meeting held on March 28, 2023;
- CNCL-24 (2) the **Finance Committee** meeting held on April 3, 2023;
- CNCL-27 (3) the **General Purposes Committee** meeting held on April 3, 2023;
- CNCL-30 (4) the **Planning Committee** meeting held on April 4, 2023;
- be received for information.*

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7. ARTS SERVICES YEAR IN REVIEW 2022

(File Ref. No. 11-7375-01) (REDMS No. 7139976)

CNCL-33

See Page CNCL-33 for full report

PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION

- (1) *That the Arts Services Year in Review 2022 as presented in the staff report titled, “Arts Services Year in Review 2022,” dated February 23, 2023, from the Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services, be received for information; and*
- (2) *That the Arts Services Year in Review 2022 be circulated to Community Partners and Funders for their information.*

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8. **FERAL RABBIT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

(File Ref. No. 10-6160-07-09) (REDMS No. 7121062)

CNCL-99

See Page CNCL-99 for full report

**PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION**

That an integrated approach to the management of feral rabbits in Richmond including an increased public education and awareness campaign and implementation of a capture, sterilization and re-homing program, as described in the staff report titled “Feral Rabbit Management Program”, dated March 10, 2023, from the Director, Parks Services, be approved.



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9. **2023 UBCM POVERTY REDUCTION PLANNING AND ACTION
PROGRAM GRANT SUBMISSION**

(File Ref. No. 07-3190-01) (REDMS No. 7131035)

CNCL-107

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GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- (1) *That a resolution indicating support for the City’s application to the 2023 UBCM Poverty Reduction Planning and Action Program in the amount of \$50,000 and willingness to provide overall grant management, as described in the report titled “2023 UBCM Poverty Reduction Planning and Action Program Grant Submission,” dated March 2, 2023, from the Director, Community Social Development be endorsed; and*
- (2) *That should the funding application be successful, that the Chief Administrative Officer and the General Manager, Planning and Development be authorized on behalf of the City to enter into an agreement with UBCM for the above mentioned project and that the Consolidated 5 Year Financial Plan (2023–2027) be amended accordingly.*



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10. **BC'S PROPOSED COASTAL MARINE STRATEGY**
(File Ref. No. 10-6160-01) (REDMS No. 7137106)

CNCL-118

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GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- (1) *That the comments outlined in the staff report titled, "BC's Proposed Coastal Marine Strategy", dated March 1, 2023, from the Director, Sustainability and District Energy be endorsed and submitted to the Province.*
- (2) *That staff be directed to consider further items for Attachment 1 of the report of an action and implementation nature of concerns raised, including the following:*
 - (a) *Legislation requirements*
 - (b) *Cumulative effects*
 - (c) *Micro plastics*
 - (d) *Jurisdictional considerations; and*
 - (e) *Economic impacts.*



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11. **REVENUE ANTICIPATION BORROWING (2023) BYLAW NO. 10445**
(File Ref. No. 03-0900-01) (REDMS No. 7141285)

CNCL-187

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FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Revenue Anticipation Borrowing (2023) Bylaw No. 10445 be introduced and given first, second and third readings.



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12. **APPLICATION BY AVTAR BHULLAR FOR REZONING AT 12260 WOODHEAD ROAD AND A PORTION OF 12288 WOODHEAD ROAD FROM THE “SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/F)” ZONE AND THE “SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/B)” ZONE TO THE “SINGLE DETACHED (RS2/B)” ZONE**
(File Ref. No. RZ 22-009404) (REDMS No. 7153064)

CNCL-191

See Page CNCL-191 for full report

PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10449, for the rezoning of 12260 Woodhead Road and a portion of 12288 Woodhead Road from the “Single Detached (RS1/F)” zone and “Single Detached (RS1/B)” zone to the “Single Detached (RS2/B)” zone, be introduced and given first reading.



13. **APPLICATION BY AJIT AUJLA AND NEW VILLA HOLDINGS FOR REZONING AT 8491 NO. 4 ROAD FROM “SINGLE DETACHED RS1/E” ZONE TO THE “COACH HOUSE ZS31 – NO. 4 ROAD” ZONE**
(File Ref. No. RZ 17-777739) (REDMS No. 7060982)

CNCL-214

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PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- (1) *That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10455 to create the “Coach House (ZS31) – No. 4 Road” zone, be introduced and given First Reading; and*
- (2) *That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10456 to rezone 8491 No. 4 Road from “Single Detached (RS1/E)” zone to “Coach House (ZS31) – No. 4 Road” zone, be introduced and given First Reading.*



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14. **SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY GUIDING PRINCIPLES**
(File Ref. No. 08-4055-01) (REDMS No. 6963544)

CNCL-246

See Page CNCL-246 for full report

PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the Guiding Principles detailed in the staff report titled “Social Development Strategy Guiding Principles,” dated March 1, 2023, from the Director, Community Social Development, be endorsed and used to inform the strategic directions and actions of the draft Social Development Strategy.



15. **HOUSING AGREEMENT BYLAW NO. 10300 TO PERMIT THE CITY OF RICHMOND TO SECURE AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS AT 8100, 8120 AND 8180 WESTMINSTER HIGHWAY**
(File Ref. No. 08-4057-05) (REDMS No. 6817350)

CNCL-251

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PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Housing Agreement (8100, 8120 and 8180 Westminster Highway) Bylaw No. 10300 to permit the City to enter into a Housing Agreement substantially in the form attached hereto, in accordance with requirements of section 483 of the Local Government Act, to secure the Affordable Housing Units required by Development Permit DP 19-878817, be introduced and given first, second and third readings.



CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

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NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT





Regular Council

Monday, March 27, 2023

Place: Council Chambers
Richmond City Hall

Present: Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie
Councillor Chak Au
Councillor Carol Day
Councillor Laura Gillanders
Councillor Kash Heed
Councillor Andy Hobbs
Councillor Alexa Loo
Councillor Bill McNulty
Councillor Michael Wolfe

Corporate Officer – Claudia Jesson

Call to Order: Mayor Brodie called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

RES NO. ITEM

MINUTES

- R23/6-1 1. It was moved and seconded
That:
- (1) *the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on March 13, 2023, be adopted as circulated; an*
 - (2) *the minutes of the Regular Council meeting for Public Hearings held on March 20, 2023, be adopted as circulated.*

CARRIED



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PRESENTATION

With the aid of a visual presentation (copy on file, City Clerk's Office), Alexander Kurnicki, Manager, Parks Programs, highlighted that the City's Street Banner Program is a component of the Partners for Beautification initiative, which encourages Richmond residents to become actively involved in creating a vibrant, beautiful community.

He advised that the submissions were all original images reflecting the following themes: Wellness; Waterfront; The Arts; Urban Landscape; Sustainability; Community; Connection; Nature; Neighbourhood; and Wildlife.

Prior to announcing the winning banners, Mr. Kurnicki recognized the following volunteer panel of judges for their contribution to the Street Banner Program: Christina Prociuk, and Anne Marie Kirkpatrick representing the South Arm Community Association; and Imu Chan and Paul Dufour, representing the Public Art Advisory Committee.

The winning artists and the titles of their banners art were then announced as follows:

- Sally Choi – Moment of Reflection
- Joyce Tse – High Rise and Sky
- Dilshad Methani-Kara – Autumn in Steveston
- Haihua Su – Family
- David England – Reflecting Steveston
- Vladimir Cheinman – Strawflowers at Sunset
- Allisa Ritchie – Richmond's Bounty
- Lily Zhang – Golden Dusk at Steveston
- David Poon – Stillness
- Tristan Todd – Steveston Sunset



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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- R23/6-2 2. It was moved and seconded
That Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to hear delegations on agenda items (7:23 p.m.).

CARRIED

3. Delegations from the floor on Agenda items

Item No. 13 – Application by Matthew Cheng Architect Inc. for Rezoning at 7511 St. Albans Road from “Single Family Detached (RS1/E)” Zone to “High Density Townhouse (RTH1)” Zone

Jason Chien, Richmond resident, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation (Copy on file, City Clerk’s Office) expressed concern with the proposed development noting that (i) the current residents of 7433 St. Albans Road were unaware of the easement registered on Title, (ii) a water leak on the driveway was fixed in August 2022, and (iii) the proposed development does not provide any benefits to the current complex and residents. Mr. Chien was of the opinion that the current driveway design was not suitable for additional traffic.

Item No. 13 – Application by Matthew Cheng Architect Inc. for Rezoning at 7511 St. Albans Road from “Single Family Detached (RS1/E)” Zone to “High Density Townhouse (RTH1)” Zone

Stephanie Wu, Richmond resident, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation (Copy on File, City Clerk’s Office) expressed concern with the proposed development and noted that the current residents were not informed of the easement registered on Title. Ms. Wu was of the opinion that (i) the heavy construction equipment would damage the driveway, (ii) the noise and dust would cause problems, (iii) additional traffic will cause congestion while turning in and out of the complex, (iv) collaborating with two strata’s regarding maintenance of the driveway will be an issue, and (v) there will be safety issues with increased traffic in the area.



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- R23/6-3 4. It was moved and seconded
That Committee rise and report (7:39 p.m.).

CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

- R23/6-4 5. It was moved and seconded
That Items No. 6 through No. 11 be adopted by general consent.

CARRIED

6. COMMITTEE MINUTES

That the minutes of:

- (1) the Community Safety Committee meeting held on March 14, 2023;*
- (2) the General Purposes Committee meeting held on March 20, 2023;*
- (3) the Planning Committee meeting held on March 21, 2023; and*
- (4) the Public Works and Transportation Committee meeting held on March 22, 2023;*

be received for information.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

**7. STEVESTON ISLAND DIKE PRELIMINARY DESIGN – PUBLIC
AND STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT**

(File Ref. No. 10-6045-09-07) (REDMS No. 7123938)

That, as outlined in the staff report titled “Steveston Island Dike Preliminary Design – Public and Stakeholder Engagement,” dated February 8, 2023, from the Director, Engineering, the preliminary design for the Steveston Island Dike project be endorsed for the public and stakeholder engagement.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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8. **APPLICATION BY 1265028 B.C. LTD. FOR REZONING AT 8180 HEATHER STREET FROM “SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/E)” ZONE TO THE “SINGLE DETACHED (RS2/A)” ZONE**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-10433, RZ 17-791280) (REDMS No. 7031674, 7031945, 7011173)

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10433, for the rezoning of 8180 Heather Street from “Single Detached (RS1/E)” zone to “Single Detached (RS2/A)” zone, be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

9. **APPLICATION BY GROOTENDORST'S FLOWERLAND NURSERY LTD. FOR A ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE “AGRICULTURE (AG1)” ZONE TO PERMIT AN ADDITION TO A SINGLE- FAMILY DWELLING AT 15140 WESTMINSTER HIGHWAY**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-10448, ZT 23-009334) (REDMS No. 7129346, 7141083, 6952049)

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10448, for a Zoning Text Amendment to the “Agriculture (AG1)” zone to permit an addition to an existing single-family dwelling at 15140 Westminster Highway for the purposes of accommodating accessibility features, be introduced and given first reading.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

10. **2023 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVES**

(File Ref. No. 10-6500-01) (REDMS No. 7136633)

- (1) *That the report titled “2023 Active Transportation Initiatives” dated February 15, 2023 from the Director, Transportation, be received for information; and*
- (2) *That a copy of the report be forwarded to the Richmond Council-School Board Liaison Committee for information.*

ADOPTED ON CONSENT



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In reply to a query from Council, staff advised that construction of Phases 1 and 2 of the Steveston Highway Multi-Use Pathway from Shell Road to No. 2 Road will be on hold until a further analysis on bike lane options for Williams Road is provided.

11. SANITARY SEWER REPAIRS - 100 TO 1000 BLOCK LANCASTER CRESCENT

(File Ref. No. 10-6400-01) (REDMS No. 7121083)

That funding of \$1,000,000 from the Sanitary Sewer Reserve Fund for the sanitary sewer repairs along the 100 to 1000 block of Lancaster Crescent, be approved and that the Consolidated 5 Year Financial Plan (2023-2027) be amended accordingly.

ADOPTED ON CONSENT

NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie, Chair

12. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE ELECTION ACT

(File Ref. No. 12-8125-01) (REDMS No. 7187118)

R23/6-5

It was moved and seconded

That a letter be sent to the Provincial Government expressing the City of Richmond's support in principle of the following proposed amendments as outlined in the Provincial Government's announcement:

- *Placing restrictions on intentionally making false statements about objective biographical information about candidates and senior officials of political parties;*
- *Cracking down on the spread of deliberate disinformation about the electoral process, such as including disinformation about voting eligibility, dates, times and locations; and*



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- *Streamlining the vote-by-mail process to make it more accessible for people.*

The question on the motion was not called as discussion took place on (i) a full analysis of the changes being made, (ii) supporting the changes as outlined in the background materials, and (iii) waiting for additional information from the Province.

As a result of the discussion, the following **amendment motion** was introduced:

R23/6-6

It was moved and seconded

That the following wording be added:

“and expect further consultation on the remainder of the items”.

DEFEATED

Opposed: Mayor Brodie

Cllrs. Au

Heed

Loo

McNulty

The question on the main motion was then called and it was **DEFEATED** with Cllrs. Gillanders, Heed, Hobbs, Loo and McNulty opposed.



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PLANNING COMMITTEE

Councillor Bill McNulty, Chair

13. **APPLICATION BY MATTHEW CHENG ARCHITECT INC. FOR REZONING AT 7511 ST. ALBANS ROAD FROM “SINGLE FAMILY DETACHED (RS1/E)” ZONE TO “HIGH DENSITY TOWNHOUSE (RTH1)” ZONE**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-20-10446, RZ 18-818548) (REDMS No. 6969884, 7162722, 6220845, 7141632)

R23/6-7

It was moved and seconded

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10446, for the rezoning of 7511 St. Albans Road from “Single Family Detached (RS1/E)” zone to “High Density Townhouse (RTH1)” zone, be introduced and given first reading.

Discussion took place on (i) the registered easement on title, (ii) outdoor amenity space, (iii) increasing density and reducing driveways, (iv) working with the developer to ensure proper care and maintenance of the existing driveway, and (v) tree protection,

In reply to queries from Council, staff advised that (i) the driveway at 7433 St. Albans Road is the standard city width, (ii) maintenance of the driveway can be discussed and determined through an agreement between the current strata and the developer, (iii) the easement at 7433 St. Albans was secured through a rezoning in 2001, and (iv) the proposed development will be three storeys with a small roof deck.

As a result of the discussion, the following **referral motion** was introduced:

R23/6-8

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled “Application by Matthew Cheng Architect Inc. For Rezoning at 7511 St. Albans Road From “Single Family Detached (RS1/E)” Zone to “High Density Townhouse (RTH1)” Zone” be referred back to staff to communicate with the residents of 7433 St. Albans to discuss options for vehicle access and reduce proposal to four (4) units.

The question on the referral motion was not called as further discussion took place on the responsibility of the conveyance professional to notify purchasers of easements on Title.



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The question on the referral motion was then called and it was **DEFEATED** with Mayor Brodie, Cllrs. Heed, Hobbs, Loo and McNulty opposed.

In reply to further queries from Council, staff noted that (i) a traffic study was undertaken on the driveway and it was deemed capable of accommodating the additional vehicles, (ii) there are multiple ways to enter into an agreement for maintenance of the shared driveway, and (iii) the easement is registered on each lot and the common driveway.

The question on the main motion was then called and it was **CARRIED** with Cllrs. Day, Au and Wolfe opposed.

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT PANEL

- R23/6-9 14. It was moved and seconded
- (1) *That the Chair's report for the Development Permit Panel meetings held on August 11, 2021, be received for information; and*
 - (2) *That the recommendations of the Panel to authorize the issuance of a Development Variance Permit (DV 19-873160) for the property at 13251 Smallwood Place, be endorsed and the Permit so issued.*

CARRIED

PUBLIC DELEGATIONS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- R23/6-10 15. It was moved and seconded
- That Council resolve into Committee of the Whole to hear delegations on non-agenda items (8:56 p.m.).*

CARRIED

Athena Estremadura, with the aid of PowerPoint presentation (Copy of File, City Clerk's Office) presented the Vision Zero strategies and noted the following information:

- safe roads lead to healthy and inclusive and sustainable cities;



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- Richmond can state a commitment to fundamental safety principles;
- the project sought to further Richmond's department of transportation mandate and vision;
- a philosophical framework called Vision Zero by BC and Canada's Road Safety was embraced;
- defining road safety priorities around what's acceptable, preventable, how to plan for human error and share the responsibility is the collaborative effort that should be strived for to ensure zero pedestrian deaths or injuries;
- the most recent public data that was found was from ICBC in 2020 where there over 50 car collisions involving pedestrians in Richmond;
- 9 organizations participated in a survey designed to understand pedestrian perspective;
- pedestrians have strong feelings on the topic and deserve a say in Richmond road safety plans;
- next steps involve explaining road science and rules to newcomers through free workshops to inspire people to share ownership of personal and community safety in the streets and highlight pedestrian vulnerabilities; and
- recommendations involve assembling a working group, enforcing pedestrian's right of way, promoting campaigns, and researching advocacy opportunities with ICBC or TransLink.

As a result of the presentation, the following **referral motion** was introduced:

R23/6-11

It was moved and seconded

That the Vision Zero strategies be referred to staff for further analysis.

The question on the referral motion was not called as discussion took place on Richmond Active Transportation Committee hosting the working group, (ii) further enhancing community safety in Richmond, and (iii) examining studies on flashing yellow lights versus red lights at pedestrian crosswalks.

The question on the referral motion was then called and it was **CARRIED**.



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- R23/6-12 16. It was moved and seconded
That Committee rise and report (9:05 p.m.).

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

- R23/6-13 It was moved and seconded
That the meeting adjourn (9:06 p.m.).

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the
Minutes of the Regular meeting of the
Council of the City of Richmond held on
Monday, March 27, 2023.

Mayor (Malcolm D. Brodie)

Corporate Officer (Claudia Jesson)



Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee

Date: Tuesday, March 28, 2023

Place: Council Chambers
Richmond City Hall

Present: Councillor Chak Au, Chair
Councillor Michael Wolfe
Councillor Laura Gillanders
Councillor Andy Hobbs
Councillor Bill McNulty

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee held on February 28, 2023, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

1. **ARTS SERVICES YEAR IN REVIEW 2022**

(File Ref. No. 11-7375-01) (REDMS No. 7139976)

Staff presented the Arts Services Year in Review 2022 video (copy on-file, City Clerk's Office), noting that the video will also be shown at the next Council meeting.

In response to queries from Committee, staff noted that (i) Richmond was ranked second by the national Culture Days organization in Canada for mid-size cities in 2022, while Oakville, Ontario was first, (ii) there has been no noticeable increase in vandalism on utility boxes with art wraps, (iii) the City offers public art bus tours, separate from the Art Truck program, (iv) there is a Council-approved operating budget for the arts programs that is fairly consistent from year to year, and (v) the Arts and Culture Grant Program is a standard budget item.

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It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That the Arts Services Year in Review 2022 as presented in the staff report titled, "Arts Services Year in Review 2022," dated February 23, 2023, from the Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services, be received for information; and*
- (2) *That the Arts Services Year in Review 2022 be circulated to Community Partners and Funders for their information.*

CARRIED

2. FERAL RABBIT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

(File Ref. No. 10-6160-07-09) (REDMS No. 7121062)

In response to queries from Committee, staff noted that (i) the Request for Proposals (RFP) for feral rabbit management services will identify potential service providers that may include a sanctuary or space for re-homing rabbits, (ii) the specific parameters for the scope of services of the RFP have yet to be determined, (iii) the City has a copy of the executive summary and report from the Invasive Species Council of BC, (iv) the monthly reporting of calls for service for animal control, which includes rabbits, pertains to BC SPCA Officers, (v) an effort to advocate to the Province to pause or stop the sale of rabbits was made at a past Union of BC Municipalities convention, but the motion was not supported and the City is implementing public awareness and education campaigns, (vi) the City manages rabbits on public land, (vii) should this item proceed, staff estimate a program implementation timeline of approximately two to three months, and (viii) the City is engaging in a public awareness campaign for the responsible ownership of pet rabbits.

It was moved and seconded

That an integrated approach to the management of feral rabbits in Richmond including an increased public education and awareness campaign and implementation of a capture, sterilization and re-homing program, as described in the staff report titled "Feral Rabbit Management Program", dated March 10, 2023, from the Director, Parks Services, be approved.

CARRIED

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Committee

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3. MANAGER'S REPORT

(i) *Spring Break Update*

Staff briefed Committee on the 2023 Spring Break activities, including day camps and participation in sports and fitness at community centres. Staff also noted three hockey tournaments took place in the arenas, including the Richmond Ravens Ice Classic with 82 teams and over 1,200 athletes, making it the largest female House level hockey tournament in western North America.

In response to a query from Committee, staff noted that Richmond Ice Centre and the Richmond Olympic Oval were primarily used for the majority of games in the CARHA Hockey World Cup, with a feature game held at Minoru Arenas.

(ii) *World Leisure Day*

Staff noted that World Leisure Day, a global initiative of the World Leisure Organization, will be celebrated on Sunday, April 16, with the theme of 'Leisure for Social Transformation' to promote the importance of leisure activities and bringing people together, building social connections, and fostering community belonging. To celebrate the day, the City will be promoting a wide variety of activities and events that can be found on the City website, social media, at community services facilities, and through a local news release.

(iii) *Cherry Blossom Festival*

Staff noted that the Richmond Cherry Blossom Festival is taking place on Sunday, April 2, and will be a full in-person event including entertainment throughout the afternoon.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting adjourn (4:31 p.m.).

CARRIED

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Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Committee of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Tuesday, March 28, 2023.

Councillor Chak Au
Chair

Shannon Unrau
Legislative Services Associate



Finance Committee

Date: Monday, April 3, 2023

Place: Council Chambers
Richmond City Hall

Present: Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie, Chair
Councillor Chak Au
Councillor Carol Day
Councillor Laura Gillanders
Councillor Kash Heed
Councillor Andy Hobbs
Councillor Alexa Loo
Councillor Bill McNulty
Councillor Michael Wolfe

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:26 p.m.

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on March 6, 2023, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES DIVISION

1. **2022 ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT COST CHARGES REPORT**
(File Ref. No. 03-0905-01) (REDMS No. 7147949)

A brief discussion ensued with respect to the municipal assist factor and the concept of benefit factor as they relate to various projects.

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In response to queries from the Committee, staff noted (i) the DCC factor for the King George Park expenditure in 2022 was \$3,361.00, and (ii) specific waivers and reductions noted in Section 563 of the *Local Government Act* pertaining to small lots designed to result in low greenhouse gas emissions, and developments designed to result in a low environmental impact, have never been granted by the City and are currently under review with staff.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled, "2022 Annual Development Cost Charges Report," dated March 8, 2023 from the Director, Finance be received for information.

CARRIED

2. 2022 INVESTMENT REPORT

(File Ref. No. 03-0900-01) (REDMS No. 7141572)

In response to queries from the Committee, staff noted (i) the completion time of the global ESG reporting standards is unknown at this time, as the regulatory bodies are still reviewing, and once available staff will include for consideration in the City policy, (ii) the City's overall MSCI ESG "AA" Rating is above the benchmark of similar portfolios, staff can report back on the number required to achieve an "AAA" rating.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled "2022 Investment Report" dated March 8, 2023 from the Director, Finance be received for information.

CARRIED

3. REVENUE ANTICIPATION BORROWING (2023) BYLAW NO. 10445

(File Ref. No. 03-0900-01) (REDMS No. 7141285)

It was moved and seconded

That Revenue Anticipation Borrowing (2023) Bylaw No. 10445 be introduced and given first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

Finance Committee
Monday, April 3, 2023, 2023

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting adjourn (4:35 p.m.).

CARRIED

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Minutes of the meeting of the Finance
Committee of the Council of the City of
Richmond held on Monday, April 3, 2023.

Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie
Chair

Lorraine Anderson
Legislative Services Associate



General Purposes Committee

Date: Monday, April 3, 2023

Place: Council Chambers
Richmond City Hall

Present: Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie, Chair
Councillor Chak Au
Councillor Carol Day
Councillor Laura Gillanders
Councillor Kash Heed
Councillor Andy Hobbs
Councillor Alexa Loo
Councillor Bill McNulty
Councillor Michael Wolfe

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on March 20, 2023, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

1. **2023 UBCM POVERTY REDUCTION PLANNING AND ACTION PROGRAM GRANT SUBMISSION**
(File Ref. No. 07-3190-01) (REDMS No. 7131035)

General Purposes Committee

Monday, April 3, 2023

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That a resolution indicating support for the City's application to the 2023 UBCM Poverty Reduction Planning and Action Program in the amount of \$50,000 and willingness to provide overall grant management, as described in the report titled "2023 UBCM Poverty Reduction Planning and Action Program Grant Submission," dated March 2, 2023, from the Director, Community Social Development be endorsed; and*
- (2) *That should the funding application be successful, that the Chief Administrative Officer and the General Manager, Planning and Development be authorized on behalf of the City to enter into an agreement with UBCM for the above mentioned project and that the Consolidated 5 Year Financial Plan (2023–2027) be amended accordingly.*

CARRIED

2. **BC'S PROPOSED COASTAL MARINE STRATEGY**

(File Ref. No. 10-6160-01) (REDMS No. 7137106)

In response to queries from the Committee, staff reported (i) it is a very broad strategy which notes many local and regional programs for the reduction in plastics in general, (ii) April 14, 2023 is the deadline to submit comments, (iii) this type of regulation would be bringing BC in line with other coastal jurisdictions as currently BC is one of the last North American coastal jurisdictions to have this type of regulation, (iv) funding, or opportunities to apply for grants, are anticipated that will align with the City's needs to protect its coastline, and (v) Current funding is largely existing provincial and federal funding that the City has been able to take advantage of, e.g., three current project priorities under the federal Salmon Restoration Fund.

The Committee noted (i) instead of exploring the development of new legislative tools, a commitment to establishing new legal reforms should be required, (ii) BC is the only coastal jurisdiction in North America that doesn't already have a strategy and laws, (iii) stronger wording to emphasize the importance of cumulative effects, (iv) micro plastics is a huge issue that should also be specifically addressed, (v) it is an identification and awareness document that covers a large scope but doesn't identify any suggested actions or what is currently being done to improve upon, and (vi) necessary resources provided to help enact policies should be sought.

2.

General Purposes Committee

Monday, April 3, 2023

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That the comments outlined in the staff report titled, "BC's Proposed Coastal Marine Strategy", dated March 1, 2023, from the Director, Sustainability and District Energy be endorsed and submitted to the Province.*
- (2) *That staff be directed to consider further items for Attachment 1 of the report of an action and implementation nature of concerns raised, including the following:*
 - (a) *Legislation requirements;*
 - (b) *Cumulative effects;*
 - (c) *Micro plastics;*
 - (d) *Jurisdictional considerations; and*
 - (e) *Economic impacts.*

CARRIED

Staff was requested to bring forward a memorandum to the next Council meeting, capturing the approved changes to Attachment 1 of the report.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting adjourn (4:25 p.m.).

CARRIED

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Mayor Malcolm D. Brodie
Chair

Lorraine Anderson
Legislative Services Associate



Planning Committee

Date: Tuesday, April 4, 2023

Place: Council Chambers
Richmond City Hall

Present: Councillor Bill McNulty, Chair
Councillor Alexa Loo
Councillor Chak Au
Councillor Carol Day
Councillor Andy Hobbs

Also Present: Councillor Laura Gillanders
Councillor Michael Wolfe (by teleconference)

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on March 21, 2023, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

1. **APPLICATION BY AVTAR BHULLAR FOR REZONING AT 12260 WOODHEAD ROAD AND A PORTION OF 12288 WOODHEAD ROAD FROM THE “SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/F)” ZONE AND THE “SINGLE DETACHED (RS1/B)” ZONE TO THE “SINGLE DETACHED (RS2/B)” ZONE**

(File Ref. No. RZ 22-009404) (REDMS No. 7153064)

Staff provided a brief overview of the report, highlighting that (i) the application is to permit a subdivision to create three single family lots, (ii) the application is consistent with the Official Community Plan, Lot Size Policy and the Affordable Housing Strategy, (iii) the applicant has proposed to provide a one-bedroom secondary suite in each of the new dwellings, and (iv) one on-site tree will be relocated, two additional trees will be planted on proposed lots one and three and six on-site trees will be retained.

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Tuesday, April 4, 2023

Discussion ensued regarding how existing tenants would be notified about redevelopment and what assistance the applicant may provide to relocate the existing tenants.

It was moved and seconded

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10449, for the rezoning of 12260 Woodhead Road and a portion of 12288 Woodhead Road from the “Single Detached (RS1/F)” zone and “Single Detached (RS1/B)” zone to the “Single Detached (RS2/B)” zone, be introduced and given first reading.

CARRIED

2. **APPLICATION BY AJIT AUJLA AND NEW VILLA HOLDINGS FOR REZONING AT 8491 NO. 4 ROAD FROM “SINGLE DETACHED RS1/E” ZONE TO THE “COACH HOUSE ZS31 – NO. 4 ROAD” ZONE**
(File Ref. No. RZ 17-777739) (REDMS No. 7060982)

Staff provided a brief overview of the report, highlighting that (i) the proposed rezoning would permit a subdivision to create two lots each with a single detached home and detached coach house with vehicle access from the existing rear lane, (ii) a new zone is being introduced to allow for the rezoning and coach house, (iii) this application is consistent with the City’s Affordable Housing Policy, and (iv) a legal agreement will be registered on title to ensure coach houses reflect the plans attached to the staff report.

In response to queries from Committee, staff advised that (i) the proposed design of the project does not include a sundeck facing on to the rear lane, (ii) the timeline of processing applications is assessed on a case by case basis and (iii) staff are working on implementing new permitting software.

It was moved and seconded

- (1) *That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10455 to create the “Coach House (ZS31) – No. 4 Road” zone, be introduced and given First Reading; and*
- (2) *That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10456 to rezone 8491 No. 4 Road from “Single Detached (RS1/E)” zone to “Coach House (ZS31) – No. 4 Road” zone, be introduced and given First Reading.*

CARRIED

3. **SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY GUIDING PRINCIPLES**
(File Ref. No. 08-4055-01) (REDMS No. 6963544)

It was moved and seconded

2.

Planning Committee
Tuesday, April 4, 2023

That the Guiding Principles detailed in the staff report titled “Social Development Strategy Guiding Principles,” dated March 1, 2023, from the Director, Community Social Development, be endorsed and used to inform the strategic directions and actions of the draft Social Development Strategy.

CARRIED

4. **HOUSING AGREEMENT BYLAW NO. 10300 TO PERMIT THE CITY OF RICHMOND TO SECURE AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS AT 8100, 8120 AND 8180 WESTMINSTER HIGHWAY**

(File Ref. No. 08-4057-05) (REDMS No. 6817350)

Discussion ensued regarding square footage and liveability of the proposed affordable housing units.

It was moved and seconded

That Housing Agreement (8100, 8120 and 8180 Westminster Highway) Bylaw No. 10300 to permit the City to enter into a Housing Agreement substantially in the form attached hereto, in accordance with requirements of section 483 of the Local Government Act, to secure the Affordable Housing Units required by Development Permit DP 19-878817, be introduced and given first, second and third readings.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting adjourn (4:22 p.m.).

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Tuesday, April 4, 2023.

Councillor Bill McNulty
Chair

Raman Grewal
Legislative Services Associate



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services
Committee

From: Marie Fenwick
Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services


Re: **Arts Services Year in Review 2022**

Date: February 23, 2023

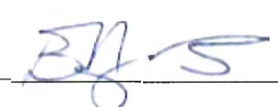

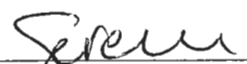
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Staff Recommendations

1. That the Arts Services Year in Review 2022 as presented in the staff report titled, "Arts Services Year in Review 2022," dated February 23, 2023, from the Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services, be received for information; and
2. That the Arts Services Year in Review 2022 be circulated to Community Partners and Funders for their information.


Marie Fenwick
Director, Arts, Culture and Heritage Services
(604-276-4288)

Att. 1

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Staff Report

Origin

ArtWorks: Richmond Arts Strategy 2019–2024 was developed through extensive community engagement, guidance and consultation to help guide the City’s actions in making Richmond a city with a thriving arts scene that animates the city every day; offers rich arts education and experiences, festivals and events; fosters social connections and wellness; builds arts and culture leadership; and provides creative spaces.

The Strategy provides Five Strategic Directions to guide the City and its stakeholders’ involvement in supporting the arts sector and ensuring a thriving and visible arts scene in Richmond:

1. Ensure affordable and accessible arts for all;
2. Promote inclusivity and diversity in the arts;
3. Invest in the arts;
4. Increase awareness and participation in the arts; and
5. Activate public spaces through (and for) the arts.

These strategic directions create a foundation and help to ensure the City is purposeful in its continued advancement of the arts in the community and that the arts play a strong role in place making, community building, tourism, health and social well-being, economic development and more. This report presents *Arts Services Year in Review 2022* (Attachment 1), which highlights this last year’s achievements in the arts.

This report supports Council’s Strategic Plan 2018-2022 Strategy #3 One Community Together:

Vibrant and diverse arts and cultural activities and opportunities for community engagement and connection.

3.1 Foster community resiliency, neighbourhood identity, sense of belonging, and intercultural harmony.

3.2 Enhance arts and cultural programs and activities.

3.3 Utilize an interagency and intercultural approach to service provision.

3.4 Celebrate Richmond's unique and diverse history and heritage.

This report supports Council’s Strategic Plan 2018-2022 Strategy #4 An Active and Thriving Richmond:

An active and thriving community characterized by diverse social and wellness programs, services and spaces that foster health and well-being for all.

Analysis

The *Arts Services Year in Review 2022* describes last year's achievements in the arts.

At the beginning of 2022, most of the City's public programs and services continued with online offerings and reduced registration for indoor programs in response to health order restrictions on gathering. By mid-year, with restrictions lifted, registrations enjoyed an upward climb towards pre-pandemic levels and Richmond Art Gallery exhibition openings, Culture Days, festivals and other programs were back in full swing with live music, hands-on activities and more.

As always, the arts maintained their vital and sustaining presence in the community. Programming and artist-led themes explored Richmond's cultural and community identities, reconciliation, local ecology, climate change, and more. Residents and visitors were invited to discover and share new arts experiences at cultural venues, community centres, in the public realm and, of course, online.

Highlights and achievements of 2022 include:

- In January, Thomas Cannell's monumental glass artwork, *Sea to Sky* was unveiled at the corner of No. 3 and Cook Road. At five-storeys high, the work, which was completed through the Private Development Public Art Program, powerfully acknowledges and celebrates Musqueam culture in the heart of City Centre.
- The 14th annual Children's Arts Festival (CAF) adopted a new City-wide approach to providing in-person artist-led activities for Richmond School District No. 38 (SD 38) students. To address pandemic-related barriers to field trips, CAF artists led activities not only at the Richmond Cultural Centre and Brighthouse Public Library but at many easier-to-access locations including the Gateway Theatre, six community centres and three schools. Over 10 days, 1,770 children from 14 elementary schools took part, many by simply walking there.
- Over the spring, the Richmond Art Gallery presented *NOURISH*, an exhibition of pieces by Jane Wong and artist duo Mizzonk, whose works reminded visitors of the capacity to nourish ourselves and others. The exhibition was accompanied by an expansive series of digital and in-person programs highlighting Richmond's diverse and dynamic food culture and histories.
- Seventh annual Branscombe House Artist-in-Residence, Punjabi-Canadian performing artist and educator Krystal Kiran, fostered healing arts practices through dance, meditation, books, talks and more with activities not only at Branscombe House but at festivals, parks and civic facilities throughout Richmond.
- Now in its fourth year, the Community Mural Program saw five new large-scale murals completed to enhance our public realm, three of them for SD 38, where students and staff played a vital role in their designs. These included *Garden City School Mural*, by Coast Salish artist and McNair alumna, Atheana Picha, whose beautiful and informative mural was revealed and celebrated in February 2022, and garnered a cover photo on *Richmond News*.

- In partnership with the Richmond Arts Coalition and Britannia Shipyards National Historic Site Society, the 19th Richmond Maritime Festival successfully returned to full in-person programming that was delivered by more than 50 local artists, performers and “pop-up” style heritage storytellers, amidst maritime-themed décor and installations throughout the site. Wooden and working boats along the dock rounded out the festival.
- In-person special events also returned to community centres, including the Harvest Full Moon Project at City Centre Community Centre, West Fest at West Richmond Community Centre, and Pride Week at Thompson, South Arm and West Richmond Community Centres.
- Pride Week was celebrated at the Richmond Cultural Centre with the annual Pride stairs painting activity and *Printmaking for Pride*, a free drop-in workshop on the plaza with artists Edward Fu-Chen and Jade Balogh-Callow leading more than 150 participants of all ages to create monotype prints with artisan plant dyes.
- Ranked by the national Culture Days organization as No. 1 in BC and No. 2 in Canada for mid-size cities in 2022 due to the level of community engagement and participation, Richmond continued to be a national leader with the 14th annual Culture Days campaign with 55 free, in-person and online activities presented by 40 artists and cultural organizations. The opening weekend event at the Richmond Cultural Centre attracted an estimated 2,000 people.
- \$119,502 was invested through the 2022 Arts and Culture Grant Program providing operating and project assistance grants to 19 non-profit arts organizations, in order to strengthen the infrastructure of arts and culture organizations, increase funding for arts opportunities, show support for the careers of local artists and support a wide range of artistic and cultural activity.
- The Richmond Youth Media Program (RYMP), a free referral-based program for youth aged 13–24, completed its 12th year as a signature offering of the Richmond Media Lab. In 2022, 50 RYMP members completed more than 2,200 hours learning media arts skills and building social connections.
- Community event rentals returned to the Gateway Theatre mid-year with 12 rental partners presenting music, dance, awards ceremonies and more.

The *Arts Services Year in Review 2022* also highlights the significant value and benefits the arts bring to Richmond by encouraging self-expression, creating a sense of community identity and pride, enhancing understanding of issues in society, providing opportunities to develop and foster new skills and encouraging collaboration and connections. All of these benefits contribute to individual well-being and healthy, sustainable communities.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

The *Arts Services Year in Review 2022* highlights activities and achievements in the arts in the community and the importance the arts play in further enhancing Richmond's identity as one of the best places to live, work and play. Art in everyday life creates a sense of place as well as a sense of personal meaning and community identity.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Liesl Jauk', written in a cursive style.

Liesl Jauk
Manager, Arts Services
(604-204-8672)

Att. 1: Arts Services Year in Review 2022

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City of Richmond

ARTS SERVICES YEAR IN REVIEW 2022

Arts, Culture and
Heritage Services





The Vision

Richmond's thriving arts scene

- animates our city every day;
- offers rich arts education and experiences, festivals and events;
- fosters social connections and wellness;
- builds arts and culture leadership; and
- provides creative spaces



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Introduction

Following two years of shifting public health orders and physical distancing protocols, 2022 brought a long-awaited return to “normal” operations with indoor gatherings and programs, live entertainment, festivals and a renewed (if tentative) sense of optimism in place by mid-year.

Art and artists maintained their vital and sustaining presence in the community, continuing to offer meaning to, and a reflection of, Richmond’s diverse population in cultural venues, schools, libraries, community centres, festivals and in the public realm.

Themes of identity, participation, local ecology and wellness remained on the forefront in 2022: the majority of activities, programs and exhibitions continued to showcase, support and/or actively involve members of diverse, equity-seeking communities; hands-on public activities working with natural materials marked both National Indigenous People’s Day and Pride Week; both the Branscombe House Artist Residency and Writer-in-Residence programs intentionally explored themes of personal development, human connection, healing and mindfulness; and the Richmond Art Gallery opened the year with a far-reaching and multi-faceted public program about “nourishment.”

Meanwhile, not one but two new city parks opened to the public boasting an undulating and eye-catching piece of public art-as-shelter, Imperial Landing became the new temporary home for The Blue Cabin Floating Artist Residency, and festivals made a big comeback with the Richmond Maritime Festival, Culture Days and the 75th Anniversary Steveston Salmon Festival.

The City also invested in artists and cultural organizations with direct funding, in-kind production support, mentorship, exhibition opportunities and more.

The 2022 Arts Services Year in Review recounts the myriad ways Richmond continues to foster unique and lively arts and cultural opportunities for community engagement and connection. As such, the arts are essential to achieving the Council Strategic Plan 2018-2022 Goal: One Community Together.

For more about the arts in Richmond, visit [HowArtWorks.ca](https://www.howartworks.ca)



ArtWorks: Richmond Arts Strategy 2019 – 2024

Major Strategic Directions



1. Ensure affordable and accessible arts for all



2. Promote inclusivity and diversity in the arts



3. Invest in the arts



4. Increase awareness and participation in the arts



5. Activate public spaces through (and for) the arts

The Arts Services Year in Review summarizes progress made towards achieving the goals of *ArtWorks: Richmond Arts Strategy 2019–2024*. Throughout the document, you will see coloured icons that show how the year's activities help to advance the Strategy's five strategic directions.



Community Cultural Development

Community Cultural Development refers to a wide range of programs, activities and events that bring opportunities to engage with the arts in everyday life. This includes support for local artists and cultural organizations through direct investment, public profile or recognition, professional development and other creative opportunities for collaboration and mentorship.



Art at Work Program

Presented in collaboration with the Richmond Art Gallery Association and Richmond Public Art, Art at Work provides professional development opportunities for local artists and others working in the cultural sector. The goals of the program are to:

- support the growth and development of the arts and cultural sector;
- provide artists and cultural workers with practical, inspiring and career-enhancing programming; and
- encourage networking and sharing within the arts and culture community.

In 2022, Art at Work presented the following free workshops:

- **Tax Basics for Artists** An introduction to tax management for self-employed creative professionals by Mariana Scott. Attendance: 40 in-person, 90 on-demand via YouTube.
- **Public Art at Work** An intensive three-workshop series on developing public art concept proposals presented in-person through Richmond Public Art. Cohort: 10.

2022 RICHMOND ARTS AWARDS RECIPIENTS

Arts Education: Harry Yu

Artistic Innovation: Thomas Cannell

Business and the Arts: Phoenix Art Workshop, Mark Glavina*

Volunteerism: Keiko Go

Youth Arts: Megan Yung

Cultural Leadership: Mary Wilson,
Richmond Black History Month

*second-time recipient

Richmond Arts Awards

Created in partnership with the Richmond Arts Coalition, the annual Richmond Arts Awards recognizes artistic achievements and contributions to the cultural community by residents, artists, educators, organizations and business leaders. The purpose is to:

- honour major contributions by individuals, organizations and businesses to the arts;
- cultivate greater visibility and understanding of the value of the arts;
- encourage excellence and build new leadership within arts community; and
- develop patrons for the arts.

This year, **62 nominations** were reviewed by a selection panel comprised of community members and six recipients were selected.

The ceremony for the 14th annual Richmond Arts Awards, hosted by Mayor Malcolm Brodie, was held on May 4 at the Gateway Theatre. The ceremony included the award recipients of the 2020 and 2021 awards to join the 2022 recipients so that they could be recognized on stage after a two-year hiatus. All were profiled in an online campaign highlighting their work and contributions to the Richmond arts community via the @HowArtWorks Instagram account.

In addition to honouring award recipients, the event included uplifting messages from Elder Mary Point and performances by Branscombe House Artist-in-Residence, Krystal Kiran; Richmond Writer-In-Residence, Lindi Nolte; local pianist, Aaron Pang; and keynote speaker, James Long. Richmond Music School students provided musical ambiance prior to the start of the show.

As part of the City's commitment to providing meaningful opportunities for youth, a member of the Richmond Youth Media Lab program was invited to join the selection panel. This member added excellent insight and context to the Youth Arts and all other categories.

This Awards continue to be a partnership with the Richmond Arts Coalition and media partner, *Richmond News*.



Richmond Arts & Culture eBlasts and How Art Works Instagram

As part of the Richmond Arts Strategy, Arts Services continues to engage with the Richmond arts community through the Arts & Culture eBlast. In 2022, 14 eBlasts were sent to **more than 500 subscribers** including individual artists and organizations who received helpful news of Artist Calls, funding opportunities, professional development workshops and more.

In addition to the e-Blast, the @HowArtWorks Instagram account, established in 2015, has amassed **980 followers**, and provided another outlet to reach members of the Richmond arts community and the general public.



Brown Road Artist Studios

In 2018, through the development and rezoning process, the City secured the provision of two affordable work-only artist studios as part of the Polygon Fiorella development at 3551 Sexsmith Road.

These new street level units, completed in 2022, will be rented to professional artists that meet income and career eligibility criteria.

These tenants will join a “village” of artists in the Capstan area, as part of the realization of the Arts District envisioned in the Official Community Plan for City Centre.

Arts and Culture Grant Program

The City's Arts and Culture Grant Program was established in 2011 to strengthen the infrastructure of arts and culture organizations, increase investment in arts opportunities, show support for the careers of local artists and support a wide range of artistic and cultural activity. The program offers two types of grants: Project Assistance and Operating Assistance to registered non-profit arts and culture organizations.

In 2022, Council approved the distribution of **\$119,502. A total of \$88,370 in Operating Assistance was distributed to twelve recipients and \$31,132 in Project Assistance went to seven programs and projects.** Throughout summer and fall, grant recipients met individually with City staff to discuss the progress of their programs and share feedback about the grant application process.

Organizational Support

Arts Services staff, throughout the year, provide facilitation and consultation to local arts groups to assist them with organizational capacity.

NON-PROFIT LIFECYCLES

The Non-profit Lifecycles system is a respected diagnostic tool to guide non-profit groups in strengthening organizational capacity and setting achievable goals that help maintain their vibrancy and resiliency. In May and June, members of board and staff from the Community Arts Council of Richmond and Richmond Orchestra and Chorus Association, respectively, participated in an “Introduction to Lifecycles” workshop presented by the City. In July, CACR further engaged with the process through a City staff-led diagnostic self-assessment that resulted in a 10-point action plan for their upcoming season.

NON-PROFIT “WELLNESS CHECK”

On October 1, seven organizations receiving Arts and Culture grant funding joined other Richmond non-profits at a full-day

professional development and networking event that featured a presentation by Vantage Point: “BC’s Non-Profit Sector: Post-pandemic Challenges and Opportunities” followed by a Non-profit Lifecycle 101 workshop.

ARTS BC CONFERENCE

From October 13 to 15, Arts BC made Richmond the location for their annual conference attracting hundreds of delegates from across the province. Arts Services partnered on the presentation of some conference elements and covered the fees for representatives of 10 local organizations to participate in workshops and lectures at the conference. The conference was capped off with an Arts Market for local artists to sell their wares on the Richmond Cultural Centre plaza, organized in partnership with the Richmond Arts Coalition and the Community Arts Council of Richmond.



Accessibility



Diversity



Investment



Awareness/Participation



Public Spaces



Richmond Potters' Club Sale



Richmond Cultural Centre

The Richmond Cultural Centre (RCC) and Plaza regularly provides affordable venue rentals to local arts and cultural organizations and plays host to arts events and activities from pottery sales to musical performances in the Performance Hall.

Arts Services provided in-kind venue support to two in-person events in the Performance Hall this year:

- Richmond's Direct Theatre Collective hosted a screening of their 2022 documentary, *Where Women Gather*, for 12 audience members on June 16. The documentary chronicles the making of *Hysteria*, the collective's award-winning theatrical play. Directed by Eva Tavares, the film features artists Jill Raymond, Isa Sanchez, Jenna Grubaugh, Lauren Martin, Nita Bowerman, Eleanor Felton, Florence Reiher and Kapila Rego.
- Celebrating South Asian arts and culture, the Monsoon Festival's Sunday Funday workshop series was held in the Performance Hall over three weekends in August. The event featured Bollywood, Bhangra, and Bharatanatyam-style dance and attracted 50 participants. Monsoon Festival of Performing Arts, presented annually since 2016, is a multidisciplinary arts festival presented by South Asian Arts Society.

Over the spring, two key locations within the RCC — Richmond Art Gallery and Richmond Museum — participated in the Vancouver Attractions Group Tourism Challenge. This was the RCC's third year participating in this program that attracts thousands of tourism sector workers from across the region to visit and discover what is offered here over a period of six weeks.

And on December 22, Bayit, Chabad of Richmond, Ebco Group of Companies, Lightspeed and Richmond Public Library/Cultural Centre celebrated the annual Menorah Lighting. The evening featured Chanukah family activities indoors followed by the lighting of the 25 ft Menorah on the Cultural Centre Plaza.



Accessibility



Diversity

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Investment



Awareness/Participation



Public Spaces



Krystal Kiran

"Branscombe House was a special place to be in 2022. We found a way to connect and grow after a very difficult few years. This group, ranging in age from mid 20s to 88, was led by Krystal to dance, meditate, create and grow. As a legacy, Krystal taught us a new way to heal through dance. I personally continue to use this practice and am writing a children's book about dealing with your emotions inspired by her classes."

– Program participant

Branscombe House Artist Residency



The seventh annual Branscombe House Artist Residency was assumed by Krystal Kiran, a Punjabi-Canadian performing artist and educator whose practice explores "third culture" identity and the arts as healing practices.

Krystal has performed on Broadway and toured internationally as a featured vocalist with Grammy- and Oscar-winning composer A.R. Rahman. As an actor, dancer and choreographer, she has performed on a variety of stages including the Shaw Festival and Arts Club.

The residency was kicked off with a virtual launch event, including an introduction from Mayor Malcolm Brodie, artist talk and Q&A session. Free community arts programs, activities and workshops occurred at Branscombe House and across Richmond throughout the year. They included dance, movement and meditation sessions, open studio jam sessions, inspiring book club nights, development seminars and more. In-person and virtual programming options were offered April through December on a weekly, bi-weekly or monthly basis.

Krystal participated in the Children's Arts Festival, Doors Open, Richmond Arts Awards, Steveston Salmon Festival, Culture Days and appeared in a promotional video for Richmond's Neighbourhood Rain Murals Program. In addition, she facilitated public workshops for the Richmond Art Gallery and Minoru Centre for Active Living, and presented artist talks to the Richmond Intercultural Advisory Committee and Community Services Division staff.

Highlights can be found at KrystalKiran.com/Branscombe and Instagram.com/BranscombeHouse



Krystal Kiran (bottom left) with artists and community members at the Branscombe Social, Canada Day, July 1



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Writer-in-Residence finale event
with Lindi Nolte (right)

Writer-in-Residence

In Fall 2022, Richmond hosted its eleventh annual Writer-in-Residence program both online and in-person. Award winning poet, Lindi Nolte, offered a series of writing workshops connecting writers to nature, composing autobiographies, and performing spoken word.

Lindi Nolte is a South African-Canadian spoken word poet, TEDx speaker, and educator. She has been involved in the poetry slam scene in Vancouver since 2014, and in 2018, was crowned Vancouver's Grand Slam Champion. With a BA in English from the University of Pretoria in South Africa, and BA in Education from UBC, Lindi facilitates spoken word poetry workshops and teaches high school English in Vancouver. Her debut collection of poetry, *Barefoot & Awestruck*, was released in 2017 with Naledi Publishing House.

The Writer-in-Residence program kicked off with an in-person Meet & Greet as part of Culture Days on Saturday, September 24. This event featured spoken word performance, and readings from her debut collection to promote her workshops catered to teens, seniors and writers of all ages.

The 2022 Writer-in-Residence program offered 10 free workshops, and events over two months. This residency culminated in the publication of a chapbook featuring excerpts contributed by workshop participants. Richmond's Writer-in-Residence program is presented by Arts Services, Richmond Public Library and the Minoru Seniors Society.



Printmaking for Pride with Edward Fu-Chen

Pride Week

On July 22, the Richmond Arts Centre presented its annual Pride Stairs activity, a free, drop-in event where the Richmond Cultural Centre's entrance stairs are transformed with rainbow colours. More than **30 participants** including youth, families, seniors, staff and summer students, participated in the sunny afternoon activity, with musical accompaniment by Richmond Youth Media Program (RYMP). This annual tradition complements the nearby Pride crosswalk that connects the Cultural Centre to City Hall and city centre.

On July 23, artists Edward Fu-Chen Juan and Jade Balogh-Callow presented *Printmaking for Pride*, a free drop-in workshop at the Cultural Centre outdoor plaza. More than **150 participants** created unique monotype prints using a printing press, acetate plates and artisan plant dyes. Participants' colourful prints became a "Wall of Pride" installation to celebrate and symbolize LGBTQ2S+ communities. The workshop was co-presented by Richmond Public Art, Richmond Art Gallery and Richmond Arts Centre with support from Community Cultural Development.



Pride Stairs activity





Performance Mdundo WA East Africa at Culture Days opening weekend celebration. Photo: Grant McMillan



Chinese Artists Association of Richmond calligraphy demonstration

Culture Days

The 14th annual Culture Days (September 23 to October 16, 2022) offered a variety of indoor, outdoor and online activities providing free, hands-on and behind-the-scenes access to arts and culture in Richmond.

The Richmond Cultural Centre hosted a kick-off weekend on September 24 and 25 that welcomed an estimated **2,000 attendees** over two days. An opening ceremony included remarks by Mayor Malcolm Brodie and an Indigenous welcome by Musqueam Elder Mary Point, with Councillors and community leaders in attendance.

Many of the Richmond Arts Centre's resident art groups hosted displays, demonstrations and interactive opportunities in studios, the Performance Hall, rotunda and outdoor plaza.

Weekend highlights included the launch of Richmond's Writer-in-Residence program, *The Arts Live Here* exhibition opening at Richmond Museum, Richmond Art Gallery's *That Other Hunger* exhibition, portrait sittings with the Richmond Photo Club, theatre games with Gateway Theatre, as well as performances, demos and workshops with Dance Theatre Uganda, Richmond Improv Theatre Society, Richmond Artists Guild, Richmond Orchestra and Chorus Association, Chinese Artists Association of Richmond, Richmond Potters' Club, Vancouver Cantonese Opera, Vancouver Opera, and more.

Free public activities continued for 17 days across Richmond, featuring an arts market, choir rehearsals, film screenings, dance and movement sessions, open studios, plein air painting, online activities and self-guided walking tours.

Culture Days set September 30 aside to create space exclusively for events organized to commemorate the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. Featured activities shared First Nations, Métis, and Inuit experiences and perspectives from across the country, and honoured the creative and cultural expressions of Indigenous peoples and communities.

Culture Days' national office named Richmond as the **No. 1 top participating community in BC, placing second nationally among Mid-Size Cities.**

CULTURE DAYS BY THE NUMBERS:

- 2,000** attendees at kick-off weekend
- 28** volunteers
- 40** participating artists and cultural organizations
- 55** free, public activities



National Indigenous People's Day



On Saturday, June 25, Musqueam Nation artist Rita Kompst facilitated a cedar weaving workshop where she shared traditional techniques of Coast Salish weaving and ancestral knowledge with 15 participants. The artist prepared locally harvested red cedar for the activity, and displayed examples of her red and yellow cedar baskets, hats and other weavings.

This program was co-presented by Community Cultural Development and Richmond Arts Centre.

"Something to see or do around every corner, festival atmosphere."

– Audience survey response



Steveston Salmon Festival

75th Anniversary Steveston Salmon Festival



The 75th Anniversary Steveston Salmon Festival was a much-welcomed family-friendly opportunity for tens of thousands of residents and volunteers to re-connect with each other in person for the first time in three years. Many visitors appreciated the expanded footprint and entertainment that was spread out across Steveston village.

Lead-up activities included a pop-up video booth and Steveston Salmon Festival Float at the Kite Festival at Garry Point Park on June 25 and 26, and a Drive-thru Salmon Sale on June 30.

On Canada Day, July 1, the Steveston Salmon Festival Parade was re-imagined as a walk, roll or bike-through event featuring local entertainment in nine performance areas that stretched across four zones: Garry Point, Steveston Village, Community Centre and Britannia Shipyards. The event featured:

- welcome ceremony including local, federal and provincial government and First Nations representatives;
- traditional Steveston Salmon Festival programming including the Japanese Cultural Show, Horticulture Show and Art Show;
- programming to celebrate the 75th anniversary including a pop-up video booth capturing festival and community reflections and the #MySammySelfie contest; and
- complementary online and city-wide Canada Day engagement opportunities such as livestreaming of the welcome ceremony on July 1.



The Seabillies, Richmond Maritime Festival

Vancouver Okinawa Taiko,
Richmond Cherry Blossom Festival

RMF BY THE NUMBERS:

40,000	est. visitors over two days
16,800	website visits
50+	artists, performers and storytellers
87	volunteers
660	volunteer hours served

Richmond Maritime Festival

The 19th annual Richmond Maritime Festival returned to its fully in-person format at the Britannia Shipyards National Historic Site after two years of virtual and hybrid programming. The event program, organized in collaboration with the Richmond Arts Coalition and Britannia Shipyards National Historic Site Society, included maritime-themed décor and installations throughout the site, roving performances, “pop-up” style heritage storytellers, food and beverage vendors and a display of wooden and working boats along the dock that included several locally significant, restored heritage boats.

Richmond Cherry Blossom Festival

The 2022 online Richmond Cherry Blossom Festival launched on Sunday, April 10 at richmondcherryblossomfest.ca and on signage installed in Garry Point Park with QR codes directing visitors to the online program. Celebrating the arrival of spring and the blooming of 255 Akebono Cherry trees, the program was developed in collaboration with festival directors from the Wakayama Kenjin Kai, and featured 11 participatory “how to” videos along with recorded musical performances and Japanese cultural demonstrations. The theme of the 2022 festival was the Japanese word 絆 (*kizuna*), or “the bonds or connections between people”.

Social media content reached more than 66,000 individuals and the **videos were viewed more than 7,200 times**. The **website saw close to 7,400 new users** throughout the cherry blossom season, resulting in more than 16,000 page views.



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2022 EXHIBITION ATTENDANCE

2,661	NOURISH
8,477	A Minaret for the General's Wife
3,483	That Other Hunger
2,089	The trees weep, the mountain still, the bodies rust

Richmond Art Gallery

Richmond Art Gallery (RAG) is a nationally recognized municipal gallery featuring Canadian and international artists. It is known for a diverse array of exhibitions, educational programs and events that address issues and ideas of importance to our community and contribute to the growth of a vibrant cultural scene in Richmond. Through 2022, RAG hosted visitors in the gallery and across digital platforms including live-streamed talks and on-demand video content found on the gallery's website and YouTube.

In 2022, following a 22-year tenure, RAG staff and board bid a fond farewell to curator, Nan Capogna. In May, Zoë Chan, most recently assistant curator at Vancouver Art Gallery, was appointed to the role following a national search.

Exhibitions

RAG presented four exhibitions in the Gallery, four at City Hall Galleria and two off-site installations in 2022, representing emerging to senior artists from the Lower Mainland and beyond. Each exhibition highlights a range of contemporary artistic mediums.

GALLERY

NOURISH

Jane Wong and Mizzonk
January 22–April 3, 2022

Nourishment — its scope and significance — was at the heart of this exhibition of works by Jane Wong and artist duo, Mizzonk (Wan-Yi Lin and Roger Chen). Wong's installation drew upon her experience of growing up in a Chinese American restaurant in New Jersey, and her family's history of hunger and poverty in China. Meanwhile, Lin and Chen's video projections

foregrounded the values of intuition and the natural world on mental health. Particularly within the context of a global pandemic, these works were reminders of our capacity to nourish ourselves and others. The exhibition was supplemented by an expansive series of digital and in-person public programs highlighting Richmond's diverse and dynamic food culture and histories. (See page 21 for details). Curated by Nan Capogna.

A MINARET FOR THE GENERAL'S WIFE

Erdem Taşdelen

April 22 – July 31, 2022

The starting point for Erdem Taşdelen's exhibition was a little-known architectural oddity located in the Lithuanian city of Kėdainiai, approximately 120 km from the capital Vilnius. Built in 1880 and restored in 2007, this structure is a freestanding Ottoman-style minaret that peculiarly has no mosque below or attached to it. In reference to his search to uncover the origins of the structure, Taşdelen's presented an array of disparate and tangentially related materials in a web of relational and spatial collage including archival photos, documents, replicas of artifacts, audiovisual material, a curious selection of objects and a book of vignettes from undisclosed origins. Co-curated by Julia Paoli, Director & Curator, Mercer Union; and Toleen Touq, Artistic Director, South Asian Visual Arts Centre.

"Beautiful, dream-like images which my four year-old grandson and I thoroughly appreciated. (I'm 80 years old)"

— gallery visitor,
That Other Hunger

THAT OTHER HUNGER

Vanessa Brown

September 9 – November 6, 2022

The idea of the "hole" was Vanessa Brown's starting point for her evocative solo exhibition *That Other Hunger*, which featured a series of video works, textiles, sculptures and sound. Brown mined the depths of this surprisingly rich subject matter in her eclectic research with representations that ranged from the Pantheon's oculus and geographical craters and caves to celestial black holes and the body's orifices. Vanessa Brown grew up in Richmond before attending Emily Carr University and cultivating an artistic career with exhibitions across Canada and internationally. Curated by Shaun Dacey.



Erdem Taşdelen, *A Minaret for the General's Wife*



Vanessa Brown, *That Other Hunger*



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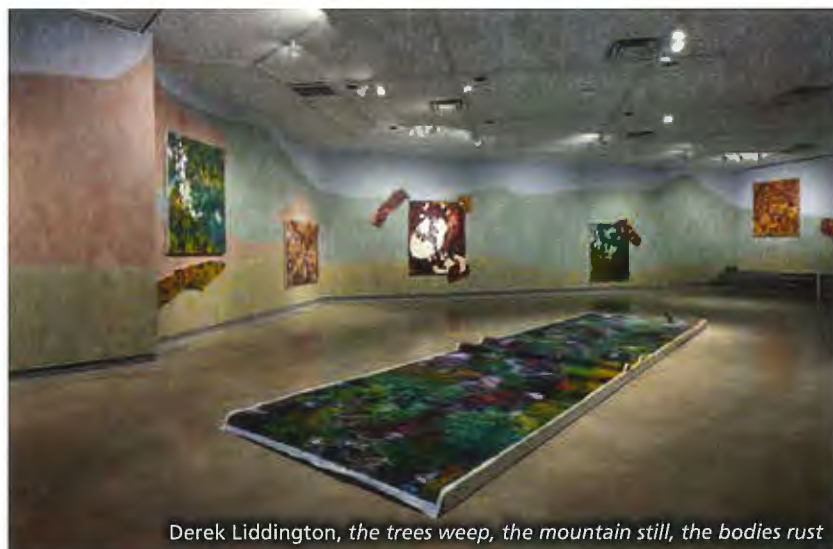
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Derek Liddington, *the trees weep, the mountain still, the bodies rust*Chad Wong, *Empty Spaces that Fill My Heart*

"Wonderful body of work.
Seeing the landscape with
such stature was adorable."

— gallery visitor, *the trees weep,
the mountain still, the bodies
rust*

THE TREES WEEP, THE MOUNTAIN STILL, THE BODIES RUST

Derek Liddington

November 19 – January 15, 2023

Featuring a new body of work by Toronto-based artist Derek Liddington, this exhibition took the genre of landscape painting as its central focus. Through the medium of painting, the artist examined how one physically experiences the landscape rather than how one objectively sees it. His layered canvases translated the feeling of being immersed within a forest so dense that our sense of orientation is hindered. Curated by Anne-Marie St-Jean Aubre. Produced and circulated by the Musée d'art de Joliette.



Toni Onley, *Drifting Icebergs in Baffin Bay*,
Richmond Art Gallery Permanent Collection

Permanent Collection

Containing nearly 400 works of art in a variety of media collected from 1982 to 2020, the Richmond Art Gallery Permanent Collection is a City-owned art collection maintained by the RAG. It is representative of the history of its exhibitions and a broader history of artistic production in British Columbia and beyond. The collection includes works by established BC artists such as Anna Wong, Wayne Ngan, Susan Point, Greg Girard and Gu Xiong among numerous others.

Through 2022, the Gallery re-initiated an ongoing program of installing collection works within City of Richmond buildings. The gallery also began work on condition reporting all works in the collection and assessing the current state of the collection and its storage for future conservation and preservation work.

Launched in late 2021, RAG launched a new digital portal to the collection providing images and details on collection works. The public can browse the collection online at: richmondartgallery.org/ragcollection



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OFF-SITE

CAPTURE FESTIVAL ON THE CANADA LINE

Chad Wong, *Empty Spaces that Fill My Heart* (Aberdeen Station)

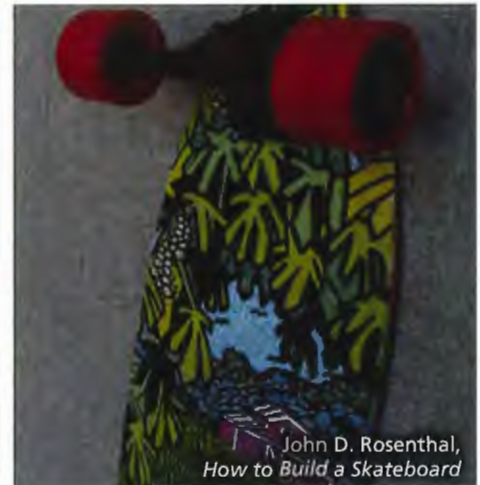
Kyla Bourgh, *Objects given to my mom because she is Asian* (Lansdowne Station)

April 6, 2022 – February 28, 2023

Presented in partnership with the Capture Festival, City of Richmond Public Art and the Canada Line Public Art Program.

Chad Wong's *Empty Spaces that Fill My Heart* is a photographic diptych connecting Richmond and Vancouver's Chinatown. In this work, the artist presents abstracted fragments of awnings and hallways of the Hong Kong-style cafes and Chinese-Canadian malls he grew up visiting. The images contemplate how various modes of representation in architecture and shared cultural spaces shape the narrative and identity of a community.

Kyla Bourgh's installation at Lansdowne Station presents objects that have been given to the artist's mother over the past 50 years. Each object is associated with an "Asian style" and was gifted to her because of her physical and cultural identity. The artist's work highlights that, while the gifts were given to her mother in kindness, they unwittingly reminded her that she is, and always will be, perceived as a visible minority in her rural BC community.



CITY HALL GALLERIA 2022

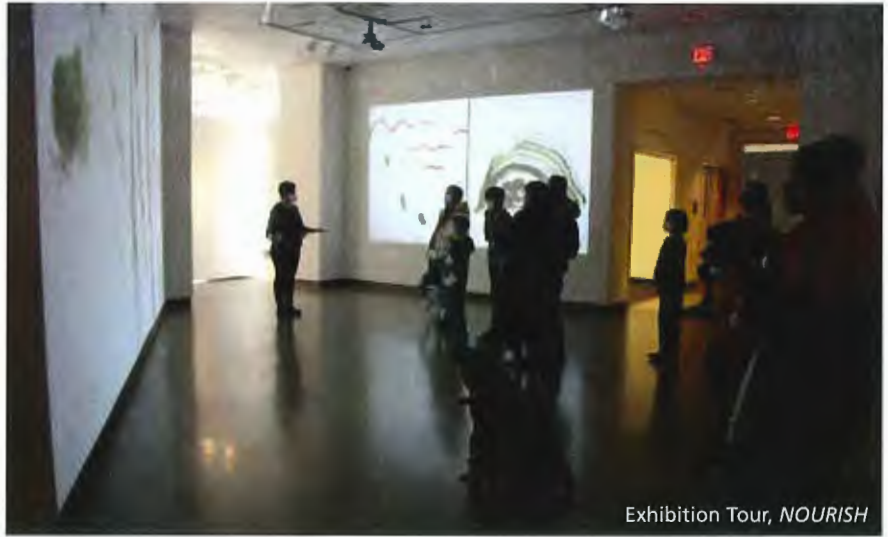
The Richmond Art Gallery organizes exhibitions by local artists for display in Richmond City Hall. In the spring of 2022, the Gallery returned to regular exhibitions in this location and presented the following over the year:

- Dona Nabata: *Outside of History*, April 19–June 14
- John D. Rosenthal: *How to Build a Skateboard*, June 14–August 15
- The Outsider Festival (Sandra Yuen and Jacqueline Primeau), August 16–September 26
- Aspire Richmond, September 27–November 1





Artist Salon with Lyse Lemieux

Exhibition Tour, *NOURISH*

"I'm such a slowpoke, but have just discovered the RAG's Salon videos. What a great resource! I get tired of listening to news while I work -unrelentingly awful- so this is grand."

– Artist Salon participant

"Thank you as well for including me in your series—it is very impressive how you have put this together for our communities—Richmond is very lucky to have you."

– Artist, Lyse Lemieux

2022 ARTIST SALON BY THE NUMBERS

9	Sessions
9	Artists & Curators
286	Livestream & In-person attendees
461	Video views

Community Outreach and Programs



Through 2022, RAG stayed connected with Richmond's artists and art lovers through a combination of unique digital and in-person programming.

ARTIST SALON SERIES

Artist Salon is an ongoing program for visual artists supported through the Arts and Culture Project Assistance grant program. The series connects local emerging and established artists, particularly those who live or work in Richmond, with professional artists and arts workers to provide information, feedback and discussion on career development opportunities.

The program continued to offer hybrid sessions throughout the year, delivered as monthly live-streams or in-person artist or curator talks that included Q&A with participants. All online sessions were recorded and provide a video library of resources for artists, available via the RAG website and YouTube Channel, and are viewed by participants from all over the world. The in-person sessions provided a more intimate setting where participants could connect directly with presenters for personalized discussions as well as a networking opportunity, and were also recorded for on-demand viewing.

EXHIBITION TOURS

The gallery resumed in-person gallery tours in the summer of 2022, and started to offer online tours to groups within the Lower Mainland. In-person tours were led by gallery staff or exhibiting artists to provide a deeper understanding of the exhibitions and to offer visitors the opportunity to ask questions directly to the artist or curator.

Online tours were also available for groups no longer able to visit in-person, particularly those in seniors homes, post-secondary institutions and language schools. As well, for each exhibit, a tour in Mandarin was scheduled both online and in-person, providing some Richmond residents the opportunity to learn about the local art scene in their first language.



Jane Wong at Richmond Public Library



Bookbinding workshop

"The programs allowed me to contemplate my own food/family ties and memories. I loved it."

— Richmond participant

2022 NOURISH PROGRAMS BY THE NUMBERS

19	Events
26	Guest artists, speakers & facilitators
262	Livestream & In-person attendees
622	Video views
70	Recipes submitted by community members

NOURISH PROGRAMS

The *NOURISH* exhibition offered a large number of online and in-person activities due, in part, to funding through the *RichmondHasHeart* program. Throughout the exhibition, there were tours, panel discussions, workshops, and an interactive community gallery activity on the topic of nourishment.

Weekly online panel discussions included:

- *Hot Pot Talks* with Love Intersections and Jane Wong
- *Restaurant Babies* with Tom Hsu, Eddie Kim and Jane Wong
- *From Kitchens to Cities: Stories of Richmond & Vancouver Chinatown Food Culture* with food writer and critic Alexandra Gill, chef and restaurant owner Bo Li, and Associate Professor of History Henry Yu
- *Nourish Through Nature* with artists Wan-Yi Lin and Roger Chen, and Professors Heesoon Bai and Denise Findlay
- *Richmond Stories: Building Community* with Food with Denise Fong and Christy Fong, Sarah Drewery (Executive Director of Sharing Farm), Ian Lai (Executive Director of Urban Bounty), and Jamie MacFarlane (Manager of Storeys Cafe)
- *Artist's Talk* with Wan-Yi Lin and Roger Chen of Mizzonk (in English and Mandarin)
- *A Nourishing Reading and Talk* with Jane Wong in partnership with Richmond Public Library

In-person events included:

- Sensory Walk through Minoru Park with Walk Richmond
- Mindful Movement Workshop with Krystal Kiran
- Bookbinding Workshop with Marlene Yuen
- Storytelling Workshop with Jane Wong

The exhibition concluded with a compilation of 70 recipes collected from community members that remains available to access at richmondartgallery.org/nourishvcc. Recordings of the online talks also remain, forming an extensive library of video resources highlighting Richmond food culture.



CULTURE DAYS PERFORMANCE: MOTHLIKE/SILVERY-BLUE

On September 24, as part of Culture Days, RAG hosted a free public performance by artist Amy-Claire Huestis. The project, *Mothlike/Silvery-Blue* celebrates kinship with birds, the interconnectedness of all things, and the importance of an ecological area under threat due to human development.

Huestis and a group of community collaborators led a site-specific procession/performance at Brunswick Point in Ladner, an integral ecosystem for migratory birds and a site of cultural significance for the Hwlitsum First Nation. The public was invited to participate by following the procession and durational score along the dyke trail as the sun slowly set.

The communal performance stems from the artist's ongoing research in the Key Biodiversity Area of Hwuli'th'um (Brunswick Point), an area of critical ecological importance within the Fraser River Estuary, in the ancestral and present-day lands of the Coast Salish Peoples, including the Hul'qumi'num Mustimuhw (Hul'qumi'num Treaty Group of Seven Coast Salish Nations), Tsawwassen and Musqueam. An exhibition of Huestis' work will be presented at the RAG in June 2023.

Youth Programming

ECUAD YOUTH ART + CULTURE LAB

Continuing the partnership started in 2018 with Emily Carr University of Art + Design (ECUAD), RAG co-hosted an art course for youth aged 12 to 15 years. Due to popular demand, the 2022–23 session expanded to two cohorts of students, with both classes at capacity. Sessions were held on Saturdays and Sundays bi-weekly over 7 months with alternating visits at the RAG and at ECUAD.

Students worked with an ECUAD instructor and teaching assistant, as well as visiting artists throughout the course, to develop projects that responded to the RAG exhibitions and explore the artistic practices of contemporary artists. The culmination of the program will be a student showcase at Emily Carr University in April 2023.



Artist Interviews on Video

For each exhibition, RAG produces video interviews of the artists or curators talking about their work. In 2022, there were five exhibition videos produced: Mizzonk and Jane Wong for *NOURISH*, Vanessa Brown for *That Other Hunger*, Derek Liddington for *The Trees Weep*, *The Mountain Still*, *The Bodies Rust*, and John D. Rosenthal for *How to Build a Skateboard* on display at the City Hall Galleria.



ECUAD Youth Art + Culture Lab



School Art Program: Class Tour

"A most welcoming, knowledgeable staff that help radiate curiosity, imagination, and risk taking in art with school children."

— teacher, Lord Kitchener Elementary

2022 SCHOOL PROGRAMS BY THE NUMBERS

44	School art workshops
1,019	Students
52	School visits
12	Indigenous Art Classroom Art Kit rentals

SCHOOL ART PROGRAM

The Richmond Art Gallery Association's School Art Program introduces students from Preschool to Grade 12 to the world of contemporary art through interactive gallery tours and exhibition-based, hands-on art activities. The program also provides professional development opportunities for teachers with workshops and resources online to help teachers incorporate contemporary art practices and content about local, regional and national Canadian art and artists into their lessons.

2022 saw the return of in-gallery school programming, with the utilization of Gallery 3 as a temporary classroom space where students could spread out and explore programs safely. Fall saw the soft launch of regular schools programming and a volunteer program; two new educators joined the team along with new community volunteers. In 2022, the gallery offered 7 high school tours for 207 students, 44 school art workshops for 1,019 students, and 12 Indigenous Art Classroom Art Kit rentals reaching 545 students.

This programming builds upon the ongoing success of the Indigenous Art Classroom Art Kits launched in 2021. In 2022, these kits were made available for three-week rentals (instead of purchased) to make the program more environmentally sustainable, and to allow multiple classes to use the kits, making them also more cost-effective for schools.

The Richmond Art Gallery also participated as a host site for the annual BC Art Teachers' Association conference offering an online tour of the Vanessa Brown exhibition as well as an in-person tour and workshop for registered conference participants.



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RAGA board, staff and volunteers

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Richmond Art Gallery Association

The Gallery benefits from financial and in-kind support of many organizations via Richmond Art Gallery Association (RAGA). In 2022, RAGA received cash and in-kind assistance from three levels of government, businesses, private foundations and individuals.

RAGA is an independent, non-profit society and registered charity formed to support the Richmond Art Gallery through fundraising, membership and advocacy.

By developing educational and public programming, RAGA provides the community with opportunities to learn about contemporary art and participate in art-making activities. Proceeds from RAGA's fundraising efforts contribute to the Gallery's active program of artist and curator talks, panel discussions, tours, workshops and video interviews as well as brochures and catalogues that serve as interpretive texts accompanying exhibitions.

Partnerships

The Richmond Art Gallery has developed and continues to consolidate relationships with numerous partners such as the Aspire Richmond, Capture Photography Festival, Centre A, Emily Carr University, Mercer Union, Musée d'art de Joliette, Nanaimo Art Gallery, Quilchena Elementary School, Richmond Arts Centre, Richmond Media Lab, Richmond Museum Society, Richmond Public Art Program, Richmond Public Library, Richmond School District, Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel, Simon Fraser University, SUCCESS, Tourism Richmond, UBC Faculty of Education, Vancouver Asian Heritage Month Society and Walk Richmond.

These partnerships allow the Gallery to create mutually beneficial opportunities for audience crossover, resource sharing and cooperative programming and help to extend the understanding of art's significance in everyday life.



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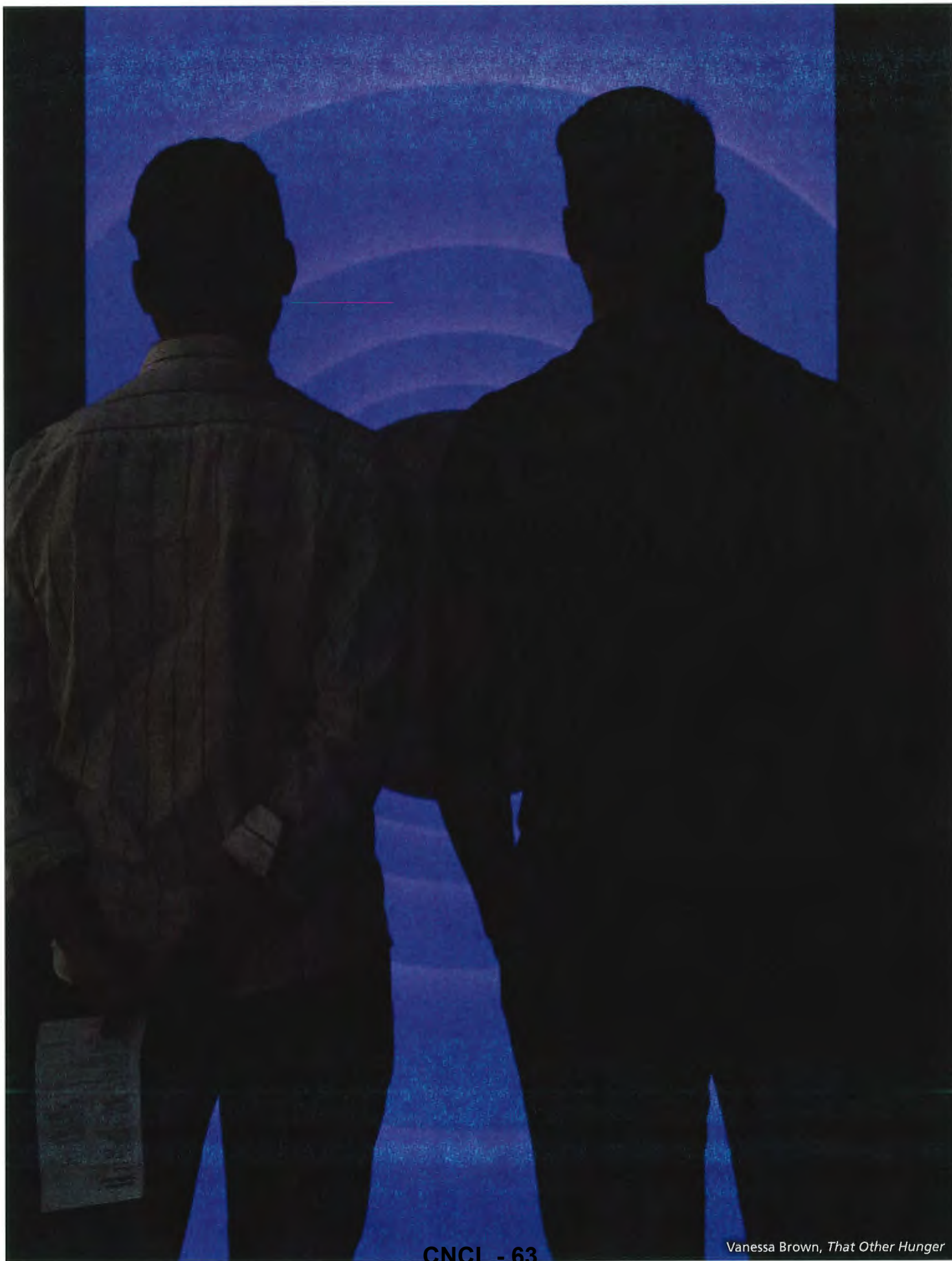


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RICHMOND PUBLIC ART PROGRAM TO-DATE:

- 367** Total number of artworks to date
- 196** Permanent artwork installations
- 166** Temporary installations (76 no longer on display)
- 23** New works of art installed in 2022 (including 19 temporary and 4 permanent artworks)
- 277** Total number of permanent and temporary artworks currently on display
- 18,800+** hours of community participating in the Engaging Artists in Community Program to-date

Richmond Public Art Program

The Richmond Public Art Program provides a means for including art in the creation of a vibrant, healthy and sustainable city. In addition to permanent and temporary artworks, the Public Art Program offers a stimulating program of educational and community engagement activities to increase public awareness of the arts and encourage public dialogue about art and issues of interest and concern to Richmond residents.

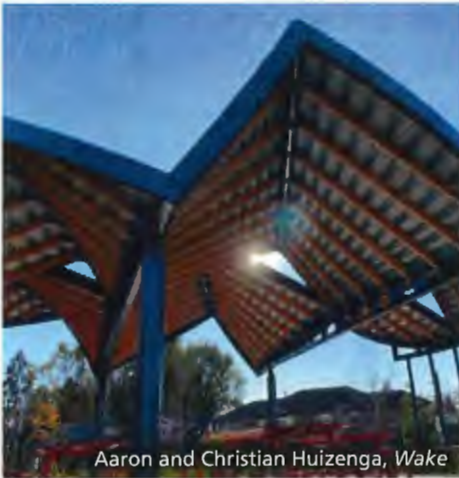
Civic Public Art Program

In 2022, public art commissioned by the City through this program was installed on two civic properties:

PERGOLA GARDEN

Polymétis (Nicholas Croft and Michaela MacLeod)
Alexandra Park

Inspired by its landscape setting, *Pergola Garden* provides shelter for park visitors enjoying picnics, taking part in exercise, or watching a performance. The artwork will offer respite, connection to the local ecology and sense of belonging to the community. The sculpture has three "legs" that touch the ground and three oculi that open toward the sky. Its edges have a trim milled from Alaskan Yellow Cedar wood, and Akebia white chocolate vines have been planted at the base of each "leg" to climb over a network of cables and cover the sculpture. Over time, with this greenery in place, an ecosystem of insects, butterflies and birds will develop.

Aaron and Christian Huizenga, *Wake***WAKE**

Aaron and Christian Huizenga
Tait Waterfront Park

Wake is designed to attract park visitors for a wide range of uses, providing a community space that offers not only shelter, but a playful dynamism at Tait Waterfront Park and the surrounding neighbourhood. The shelter will also be an opportunity for nearby Cambie Community Centre to program daytime activities and more. *Wake* takes inspiration from both Pacific Northwest vernacular architecture and the movement of the park's bordering Fraser River. Intersecting waves break up the traditional profile of a gable roof to create apertures that illuminate the space below. With unobstructed sight lines and a lifted, buoyant roof structure, the *Wake* pavilion is designed as an inspiring and inclusive public space.

Marie Kouri, *Cascade***Private Development Public Art Program**

Through the development applications process, private developers continued to provide high quality public art to enrich the public realm. In 2022, the following projects were completed:

CASCADE

Marie Khouri
6699 River Road

Inspired by the topography formed by layers of sediment and the movement of the nearby Fraser River, artist Marie Khouri shaped *Cascade* to mirror the structural rhythmic flow of elements using brushed stainless steel steps. Featuring two embracing sculptures, the artwork conveys our connection to the natural world and a message of movement, social connectivity and community.

SEA TO SKY

Thomas Cannell
6340 No. 3 Road

This monumental integrated glass artwork is located at the corner of No. 3 and Cook Road as part of the Paramount development by Keltic Canada, Inc. At five-storeys high, the work powerfully acknowledges and celebrates Musqueam culture in the heart of City Centre.

SEA TO SKY: MAKING OF A PUBLIC ARTWORK, PART I AND II

This two-part video shares the story of *Sea to Sky*'s creation and includes an interview with Musqueam artist Thomas Cannell and Michael Mayer of Franz Mayer of Munich discussing the conceptualization and fabrication of this monumental work. The videos are available to view online via [YouTube](#). Videographer: Brian Lye.

Civic Public art projects commissioned in 2022 for installation in 2023-24 are listed in Appendix 2 (page 58).

Thomas Cannell, *Sea to Sky*

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Phil Phil Studio, *Facets of Byng*Jean Bradbury, *Our Trees The Friends*Atheana Picha, *Garden City School Mural*Dolores Altin and Elvira Monteforte, *Cause & Effect*

Community Mural Program

The City of Richmond's Mural Program provides opportunities to add vibrancy to highly visible public spaces, foster community dialogue and cross-cultural exchange, and engage diverse and multi-generational communities. The program is funded through the voluntary contributions of private developers to the City's Public Art Program Reserve fund.

FACETS OF BYNG

Phil Phil Studio (Erica Phillips and Maddy Phillips)

Lord Byng Elementary School, 3711 Georgia Street

This mural is a collaboration between the students at Lord Byng Elementary School, Kelvin Higo, representing the Steveston Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre, and Phil Phil Studio. It celebrates the rich history and diversity of the Lord Byng Elementary School community.

OUR TREES THE FRIENDS

Jean Bradbury

Maple Lane Elementary School, 7671 Alouette Drive

On the two exterior walls of the gymnasium wing of Maple Lane Elementary School, this mural depicts cedar, fir, alder and maple trees as well as other native plants and animals using a rainbow of primary and secondary colours in soft gradients.

GARDEN CITY SCHOOL MURAL

Atheana Picha

Garden City Elementary School, 8311 Garden City Road

The artist worked with the students from Garden City Elementary School to inform the design of this mural exploring the theme of the local natural environment, plants and Indigenous stories. The artwork represents animals including those she remembers seeing while growing up in the area.

CAUSE & EFFECT

Dolores Altin and Elvira Monteforte

Hayer Demolition, 12011 Mitchell Road

Reading from right to left, the mural describes Mitchell Island's geological origins: underwater mineral deposited over time as the Fraser River meanders through the delta. Hayer Demolition's business is to deconstruct materials and recycle building materials to become resources once again. Hypothetically, these building materials are returned to the earth and nature is regenerated through this process. Thus the artwork in place demonstrates a cycle of resource, extraction, construction, demolition and re-generation.





"This mural never fails to draw the attention and admiration of anyone who passes through the walkway. We worked closely with artist Carolyn Wong, who brought our vision to life and we couldn't be more pleased with the final result."

— General Manager, Steveston Harbour Authority

A FISHERMAN'S DREAM

Carolyn Wong

Steveston Harbor Authority, 3180 Chatham Street

This representation of Steveston's vibrant fishing industry is intended to inspire a spirit of discovery and an appreciation of nature. The artwork explores key species of today's local fisheries while paying homage to the glory days of fishing represented by the silhouetted Gulf of Georgia cannery on the horizon. The fisher at sea is contemplating the future of the fishing industry as he gazes into the classic West Coast golden hour sunset, which remains a timeless spectacle for all to admire.

Engaging Artists in Community

Public Art Program



The following programs were funded through the voluntary contributions of private developers to the City's Public Art Program Reserve fund.

WALK LISTEN RECORD

Sebnem Ozpeta

Community-engaged Artist Project, Walk Richmond

A digital storytelling project by filmmaker Sebnem Ozpeta, this artwork was presented in partnership with Walk Richmond, a program of the Richmond Fitness and Wellness Association. The artist led a series of free, sound-recording workshops in Richmond parks and trails from May through July. Participants were invited to walk, listen and record sound around them and then share their experiences, stories and memories. For more information, visit publicartproject.wixsite.com/walk-listen-record



Accessibility



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Investment



Awareness/Participation



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Edward Fu-Chen Juan,
Art Cultivation from Nature



Mickey L.D. Morgan,
Wayfinding Art Studio



Creative Cafe Collective,
Whimsical Garden

"Working with Edward opened up a whole new world of possibilities. I have a greater appreciation for the natural world around me and I can see colours in everything now."

– Executive Director,
Urban Bounty

ART CULTIVATION FROM NATURE

Edward Fu-Chen Juan

Community-Engaged Artist Project, Urban Bounty

This artist residency at Paulik Neighbourhood Park explored ink extraction and paper-making using native plants, plant fibres and food scraps contributed by participants. A series of free, outdoor printmaking workshops ran from April through October, and included the creation of a legacy art project. The project aimed to build community and raise awareness of sustainable urban food systems. For more information, visit edjuan.com/richmondarts

WAYFINDING ART STUDIO

Mickey L.D. Morgan

Community-engaged Artist Project, Turning Point Recovery Society

For this project, a Richmond-based artist worked with residents and clients of the Richmond Emergency Response Centre operated by Turning Point Recovery Society. Mickey L.D. Morgan engaged the residents in a variety of art workshops from May through June, including drawing, painting, craft-making and storytelling activities. The project culminated with an exhibition to raise awareness on issues surrounding homelessness. For more information, visit wayfindingartstudio.wordpress.com

RICHMOND DROP-IN CENTRE PHOTO CONTEST AND EXHIBITION

In partnership with Turning Point Recovery Society and Richmond Public Library, clients of the Brighthouse Drop-in Centre were given a disposable camera and invited to take photos in response to the prompt: *What is important in your life?* The Richmond Public Library Brighthouse Branch hosted the photography exhibition and invited visitors to vote for their favourite photographs. A celebratory gathering held on October 15 included a poetry-writing workshop led by poet Alan Hill which explored and celebrated the meaning of "home."

WHIMSICAL GARDEN

Creative Café Collective

Artist-In-Residence, William Cook Elementary School

Whimsical Garden, started in 2021, was led by community-based artist J Peachy with support by Pat Calihou, Yolanda Weeks, Melissa West Morrison



Accessibility



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2022 PUBLIC ART BY THE NUMBERS

- 120** submissions received for 8 Public Art Calls
- 6** Richmond artists contracted for Public Art commissions
- 9** Community Groups engaged to inform and create public art projects
- 160+** volunteer hours served
- 1,700+** participants attended in-person and on-demand Public Art events and programming

and Tiffany Yang. The year-long project invited Grades 4 and 5 students to activate outdoor spaces on the school grounds through a series of virtual and outdoor in-person art activities and workshops that included Indigenous carving, puppetry and eco-arts. A legacy artwork entitled *Four Directions Canoe Garden* was completed in June 2021 on the school grounds and a final celebration with students and teachers took place on June 16, 2022 for National Indigenous Peoples Day. For more information about this project, visit cookwhimsicalgarden.ca

Community Public Art Programs

The following programs were funded through the voluntary contributions of private developers to the City's Public Art Program Reserve fund.

PUBLIC ART AND URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE ARTIST ROSTER

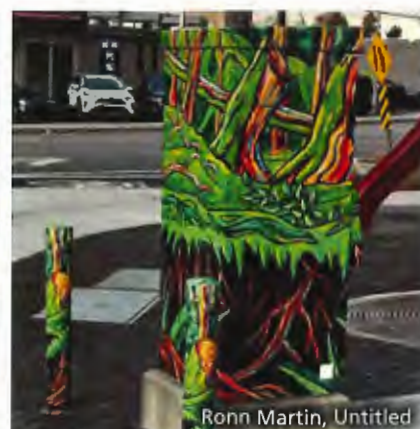
In 2022, staff issued a call to seek Richmond-based artists, designers and other creative professionals for the 2022–2024 Public Art Urban Infrastructure Artist Roster (previously known as the Art Wrap Roster). This roster is comprised of 23 pre-qualified artists who can provide original artwork for a variety of art opportunities, including but not limited to cabinet box art wraps, temporary construction hoarding, waste management containers and other temporary urban design and infrastructure-based installations in the public realm.



Dawn Lo, *Community*



Tara Callaghan, *Fields of Richmond*



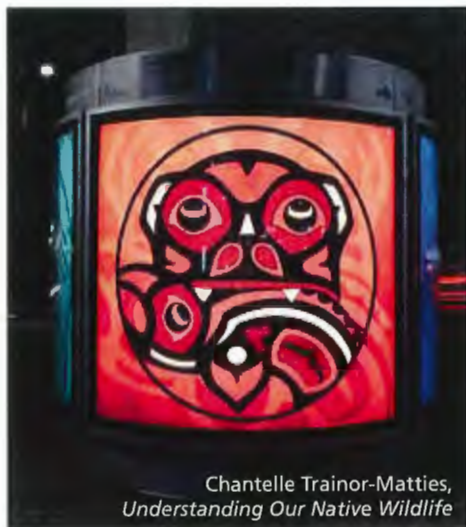
Ronn Martin, *Untitled*

UTILITY BOX ART WRAP PROGRAM

The Utility Box Art Wrap Program partners with BC Hydro, Engineering and Public Works, Parks, Transportation, Environmental Programs and Museum and Heritage Services to beautify new and existing utility boxes throughout the city. In 2022, two traffic cabinets and two utility boxes were wrapped in partnership with Parks, Recreation and Transportation:

- ***Community*, Dawn Lo, 9180 No 1 Road** This vibrant art wrap depicts community activities around West Richmond Community Centre.
- ***Fields of Richmond*, Tara Callaghan, No.3 Road and McMyn Way** The photographs for this work were inspired by a field of flowers at the Richmond Sunflower festival.
- ***Untitled*, Ronn Martin, No.3 Road and Capstan Way** This work is inspired by landscapes, florals and dreamscapes.





Chantelle Trainor-Matties,
Understanding Our Native Wildlife



Martin Murphy, *Colourful Travellers*



Adriele Au, *Puddluv Wave 2*

NO. 3 ROAD ARTS COLUMNS EXHIBITION 16

This year-long exhibition took place at Lansdowne and Aberdeen Centre Canada Line Stations, and showcased the work of three artists — Adriele Au, Martin Murphy and Chantelle Trainor-Matties — selected via an open call to the participating artists of the fourth bi-annual ArtRich 2021 exhibition hosted by the Richmond Art Gallery and presented by the Richmond Arts Coalition. ArtRich 2021 was a juried exhibition that took place in December 2021. The exhibition showcased work by emerging and established artists from Richmond and nearby communities.

- ***Understanding Our Native Wildlife*, Chantelle Trainor-Matties**
Chantelle Trainor-Matties is an Indigenous artist of Nisga'a and Métis heritage who specializes in illustration, graphic design and painting. This series of artworks depicted native animal species. A frog sticking out its tongue represents the sharing of knowledge, a raccoon teaches resourcefulness, an eagle symbolizes strength and an otter friendship. The eagle and otter also hold a salmon, a source of life.
- ***Colourful Travellers*, Martin Murphy**
Martin Murphy is a Vancouver-based painter who grew up in Unionville, Ontario surrounded by art and antiques. This exhibition presented his photo-realistic style of oil painting with a depiction of koi, symbols of luck, prosperity and good fortune. In creating an aquarium-like experience, the fish swim from one panel to the next, inspiring viewers to continue their own journey with positive energy.
- ***I Am a Thousand Years Old, Double Puddluv 1, Puddluv Wave 2, Puddluv Wave 2*, Adriele Au**
Adriele Au is a second-generation Canadian artist based in Burnaby. Her work is a hybrid of painting, drawing and sculpture using mixed-media and repurposed objects that address themes of home, time and nostalgia. This exhibition drew attention to objects and colours that signify celebration, with crêpe party paper streamers, a thousand burnt candles and a silver server that take on emotional significance in the creation of memories.

CAPTURE PHOTOGRAPHY FESTIVAL ON CANADA LINE

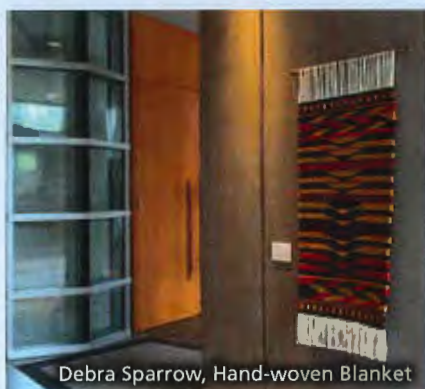
In partnership with Richmond Art Gallery, a series of photo-based installations at Aberdeen and Lansdowne Canada Line Stations were installed as part of the Capture Photography Festival: *Empty Spaces that Fill My Heart* by Chad Wong and *Objects given to my mom because she is Asian* by Kyla Bourgh. (More information about these works on page 19)

MEANDER ACTIVATION

After a two-year hiatus due to the pandemic, *Meander* by Becki Chan and Milos Begovic returned to liven up public spaces in Minoru Park. The electric blue artist-designed modular seating units were installed at the Richmond Cultural Centre and Minoru Centre for Active Living from July to September 2022.



The Blue Cabin



Debra Sparrow, Hand-woven Blanket

Dawn Lo, *Transporting*

Public Art Partnerships

BLUE CABIN FLOATING ARTIST RESIDENCY

With the support of Public Art, Parks Services and Public Works, on January 24, the Blue Cabin Floating Artist Residency arrived in Steveston for a two-year tenure at Imperial Landing. This unique initiative operates as a partnership among three Vancouver arts organizations (C3, grunt gallery and Other Sights for Artists' Projects) and provides creative experiences for artists and visitors across multiple disciplines, generations and locations. Musqueam artist Debra Sparrow and Richmond-based artist Keely O'Brien completed residencies at the Blue Cabin this year. For more information, visit TheBlueCabin.ca

HAND-WOVEN BLANKET BY DEBRA SPARROW

Debra Sparrow's residency at the Blue Cabin took place between April 3 and May 21, when she worked on a hand-woven blanket artwork that was later commissioned by the City of Richmond. The hand-spun sheep wool blanket's design honours the artist's ancestors and the heron, the majestic bird associated with the City and its many waterways and natural landscapes. The blanket is now on display in front of Council Chambers.

CAPSTAN CANADA LINE STATION TEMPORARY ART WRAPS

TransLink, in partnership with Richmond Public Art, installed three large-scale art wraps on the hoarding surrounding the construction of the new Capstan Canada Line Station. Through connections made via the Art Wrap Program Artist Roster, three original artworks were created by Richmond-based artists Dawn Lo, Laura Kwok and Jeni Chen.

ABC: ASPIRE | BUILD | CELEBRATE AND MOSAIC FIREFLY

Public Art in partnership with Community Social Development and community partners including Richmond Multicultural Community Services, Minoru Seniors Society and City Centre Community Association received a Canadian Heritage project grant (\$92,000) to implement ABC: Aspire | Build | Celebrate, a community engaged artist project to foster awareness, learning and action on topics of anti-racism, discrimination and intersectionality.

Public Art assisted in an arms-length artist team selection process. Staff worked with community partners to select and commission a collaborative artist team from Presentation House Theatre and Vancouver Asian Canadian Theatre. The selected project, *Mosaic Firefly* brings seniors and youth together through storytelling, visual arts and performance arts. Project completion is anticipated in fall 2023.

More at www.abcrichmond.wixsite.com/abcrichmond



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Michael Swayne, *Dog Party*

Public Art Maintenance

In 2022, Public Works staff carried out repairs and maintenance work on the three No. 3 Road Art Columns located at Lansdowne and Aberdeen Canada Line Stations. After more than a decade of use and exposure to the elements, locks on display case doors were replaced and fluorescent lamps were replaced with LEDs, extending the lifespan of these vital elements of public realm design.

In partnership with Engineering and Parks Services, Michael Swayne's *Dog Party*, located at No. 3 Road Bark Park, also received some care. Thirteen of the steel sculptures, removed since 2021 to make way for dyke infrastructure work, were cleaned and received a new protective coating of paint with assistance from the City's Public Works staff.

2022 RPAAC MEMBERS:

- Bronwyn Bailey
- Imu Chan, Vice Chair
- Ceri Chong
- Paul Dufour, Chair
- Jose Larano
- Rebecca Lin
- Allison Liu
- Jerome Teo
- Minghui Yu
- Council Liaison: Harold Steves

Education and Outreach

Richmond Public Art partnered with other City service divisions to incorporate public art-based activities and programs as part of signature events for the City.

PUBLIC ART TABLEAU STORIES

Public Art partnered with the Richmond Arts Centre and Children's Art Festival to present a self-guided outdoor art activity with free tote bag activity kits. Fifty tote bag kits were distributed through a registration process for the activity and invited groups of families and friends to create tableau scenes using photography, public art, imagination and natural surroundings of Minoru Park. A tableau is a group of objects and/or motionless figures representing a scene from a story or from history. Participants were invited to submit their photos via Instagram using #richmondhasheart. The activity offered a fun, family friendly activity that followed safe, social distancing protocols.

2022 RICHMOND CULTURE DAYS

Public Art with community partners, offered a variety of free, family-friendly activities and events for Culture Days:

- **Richmond Public Art Walking Tour** RPPAAC member Imu Chan hosted an accessible walking tour of public art works situated in Capstan Village. The tour covered works sited at private building developments including recent additions to the collection such as *Lily Tree* by Devon Knowles, *Bell* by Khan Lee, *2 Half Apples* by Gathie Falk as well as temporary hoarding art wraps at Capstan Station featuring artwork by Richmond artists.
- **Walk. Listen. Record: interactive sound and video art installation** Artist Sebnem Ozpeta and Walk Richmond combined forces for a celebratory finale of the Engaging Artists in the Community program featuring the artist, project participants and general public to showcase and present a series of interactive sound and video digital stories.
- **Art Cultivation from Nature with Edward Fu-Chen Juan and Urban Bounty** This celebratory event connected participants of the Engaging Arts and Community program with the larger public together to learn about the project and to unveil the legacy artwork.

Richmond Public Art Advisory Committee

The Richmond Public Art Advisory Committee (RPAAC) is a Council-appointed voluntary advisory committee that provides input on public art policy, planning, education and promotion. At monthly Committee meetings, members receive presentations on new civic, private development and community project proposals and provide feedback and recommendations.





Art Truck weaving at the Richmond Public Library, Brighthouse branch

Richmond Arts Centre

The Richmond Arts Centre provides high quality arts education opportunities in a wide variety of disciplines, including visual arts, dance and movement, music and theatre. The Centre is also home to eight local arts organizations known as the Resident Art Groups.

The Richmond Arts Centre is the hub of artistic opportunity within Richmond, activating and inspiring artists and community members to connect through the arts. The creative contributions of Richmond residents, through dance, theatre or visual arts, have a significant and positive impact on community health and celebrate the vibrancy of Richmond as a diverse and dynamic city.

The Richmond Arts Centre is also home to the annual Children's Arts Festival.

ARTS EDUCATION PROGRAMS BY THE NUMBERS:

- 600+** courses
- 8,000+** registered students
- 45+** professional instructors
- 85,000+** visits (virtual & in-person)

Arts Education Programs



The Richmond Arts Centre continues to develop and diversify its arts education offerings to meet community demand for high quality arts education. The programs ensure affordable access to a strong base of introductory and beginner programs as well as higher-level learning opportunities. In 2022, virtual, outdoor and in-person seasonal programs ran throughout the year, responding to current health protocols and conditions. By spring, eight studios reopened for in-person registered programs and community use. By fall, in-person Dance, Performing Arts and Music recitals successfully took place throughout the Cultural Centre.

During Spring Break and over the summer, the Arts Centre and Media Lab partnered to present Arts Experience Camps offering participants aged 6 to 12 the opportunity to explore different art forms over the course of a week. Often, children are drawn to an art form they may have not have previously tried and, through the confidence gained in the camp week, are encouraged to explore more deeply through a seasonal registered class. Another popular

offering in 2022 (with a 100% fill rate) was the Petit Architect day camp that introduced children to architecture through an artistic lens.

Throughout the year, pottery favourites like Clay Hand Building and Wheel Throwing continued to attract registrants while a newly developed Clay Intensive for Youth saw 78 young artists participate in week-long programs held in August. In the performing arts, this year saw the emergence of Hip Hop and Improv Theatre as popular offerings that complemented traditional favourites including Ballet and Musical Theatre.

Community Programs and Outreach

ART TRUCK PROGRAM

The Art Truck program is designed to meet three community needs: 1) provide arts experiences for community members who may not otherwise have access to them, 2) promote public awareness of art within the community, and 3) make arts education readily available to the public.

In the spring, the Art Truck resumed community outreach programming and partnered with the Richmond Museum to offer historical and cultural arts activities for more than 30 Heritage Fair participants. Musqueam artist and weaver, Rita Kompst, taught traditional cedar weaving techniques for students to create a contemporary cedar rose. With artist Keely O'Brien, students used archival photos, maps, origami paper, musical scores, natural materials and found objects to create assemblage shadow boxes.

For the months of July and August, the Art Truck program partnered with the Richmond Public Library to offer eight free Art Club workshops for children. Richmond-based artists Bea Martin, Dawn Lo, along with staff, provided arts experiences at sold-out workshops, reaching a combined 120 participants.

On August 27, the Art Truck provided a unique arts experience for families at *Songs of Summer* at Gateway Theatre. Community-engaged artist, Laara Cerman, who has a special interest in nature-based arts, led approximately 200 people in creating representations of Richmond's local flora using tissue paper.

"The art truck was a wonderful addition to Gateway's Songs of Summer outdoor event for kids and families! Kids and parents enjoyed making nature inspired crowns and learning about the local foliage. Such a treat!

— Director of Artistic Programs,
Gateway Theatre



Summer Art Experience Camp



Spring Season Dance class



Rita Kompst, Art Truck at the Richmond Heritage Fair



8 RESIDENT ART GROUPS:

- Richmond Artists Guild
- Chinese Artists Association of Richmond
- Richmond Gem and Mineral Society
- Richmond Photo Club
- Richmond Potters' Club
- Richmond Reelers Scottish Country Dancing
- Richmond Weavers and Spinners Society
- Textile Arts Guild of Richmond

RESIDENT ART GROUPS

The Richmond Arts Centre is home to some of the city's longest running community arts organizations who receive reduced rates on regular room rentals for their activities. Throughout the year, typically, these groups provide workshops, exhibitions and demonstrations for their members as well as participate in community events such as Culture Days.

In 2022, the Richmond Arts Centre saw an increase in Resident Art Group visitation as community members returned to their in-person studio activities while following COVID-19 safety protocols as required.

This year saw a reduction in the number of Resident Art Groups: for pandemic-related reasons, Cathay Photographic Society and Richmond Chinese and Calligraphy and Painting Club did not return this year. As well, as of June, the Richmond Reelers Scottish Country Dance Club dissolved as a registered society.

INTERMUNICIPAL ARTS PROGRAMMER ROUNDTABLE

Initiated by the Richmond Arts Centre, the Intermunicipal Arts Programmer Roundtable unites 20+ arts workers representing 12 municipalities. The work group convenes virtually on a quarterly basis, supporting each other on emerging issues, identifying sector trends, and discussing industry best practices and resources. The supportive group also values the roundtable as a welcoming space for skill-sharing, relationship-building and networking.



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COMMUNITY ART EXHIBITIONS

With the support of Richmond Art Gallery staff, the Arts Centre organizes exhibitions by local artists for display in the Cultural Centre Upper Rotunda Gallery. In 2022, the Gallery returned to regular exhibitions in this location and presented the following over the year:

- Dominique Norville: *Density of Light*, January 2–31
- Sade Alexis and Joella Daniela: *Black Artists and Creators in our Community*, January 21–February 28
- Richmond Photo Club, February 28–March 28
- Sister Cities Project, April 1–22
- Richmond Art Gallery Youth Art and Culture Lab/ Emily Carr University of Art and Design, April 22–May 12
- Richmond High School Students, May 16–June 17
- Mr. Tony: *Cyclorama*, June 17–July 15
- Sister Cities Project, July 15–31
- Richmond High School Faculty, August 5–September 9
- Christina Lazar: *Art School, The Creative Pursuits Of*, September 9–30
- Richmond Artists Guild, September 30–January 3



Richmond Photo Club exhibition



Mr. Tony, *Cyclorama*



Sade Alexis, *Audre*

Special Events

BLACK HISTORY MONTH EXHIBITION

This exhibition in the Upper Rotunda Gallery marked Richmond's seventh Black History Month celebrated by the City and its community partners. *Black Artists and Creators in our Community* (February 1–28) featured work by local artists Sade Alexis and Joella Daniela.

On February 24, Sade Alexis also presented *Exploring the Complexity of Blackness through Portraiture*, an in-person talk for more than 30 people. This marked one of the first in-person events to be held at the Cultural Centre in 2022 with all COVID-19 safety protocols in place. The annual exhibition is a partnership with Mary Wilson of Richmond Black History Month who was also a 2022 Richmond Arts Award recipient.



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Cultural Centre front desk during Children's Arts Festival

"My students had fun singing, dancing and, at the same time, learned about our place, how they can notice and recognize more about where we live, and how they can be stewards of our land. Thank you for bringing the arts and so much joy to the students of Richmond!"

— teacher, Blair Elementary School

2022 CHILDREN'S ARTS FESTIVAL BY THE NUMBERS

2,370	Attendees
14	Schools
23	Artists

CHILDREN'S ARTS FESTIVAL

From February 14–25, the annual Children's Arts Festival (CAF) was once again re-imagined to address COVID-19 related limitations. For Family Day, February 21, there were pre-registered, in-person artist-led activities and self-guided opportunities at the Richmond Library/Cultural Centre. Approximately 600 people attended programming at the Library, Richmond Arts Centre, Richmond Art Gallery, Richmond Museum, and around Minoru Park through a Public Art Scavenger Hunt. An interactive online performance hosted by Branscombe House artist, Krystal Kiran, rounded out the activities.

In order to provide in-person activities for children in schools, the festival departed from the pre-pandemic model of busses coming to the Richmond Library/Cultural Centre and adopted a City-wide provision of service. In collaboration with community associations, Richmond School District No. 38, Richmond Public Library and Gateway Theatre Society, artist-led CAF classes were presented in the following venues over a period of 10 days:

- Richmond Library/Cultural Centre (Library, Art Gallery, Museum, Arts Centre, Media Lab, Public Art);
- Gateway Theatre;
- West Richmond, Hamilton, Cambie, Thompson, South Arm, and Steveston Community Centres; and
- Brighthouse, Hamilton and Mitchell Elementary Schools.

In all, 1,770 children from 14 local elementary schools took part in creative, educational activities led by 23 professional artist/instructors, many by simply walking to their local community centre.

For public and school events, COVID-19 safety protocols were in place including facemasks, proof of vaccination when required, and limited seating to ensure physical distancing.

The 2022 Richmond Children's Arts Festival was produced by the City of Richmond and presented by Lansdowne Centre.

Community Partners

In 2022, the Arts Centre partnered with the following community organizations and city departments to increase the community's access to arts opportunities: Gateway Theatre, Resident Art Groups of the Richmond Arts Centre, Vancouver Cantonese Opera Society, Monsoon Festival, Richmond Public Library, School District No. 38, Richmond Art Gallery, Richmond Museum, Richmond Black History Month, Richmond Public Art Program, Richmond Media Lab, Lansdowne Centre, Nonprofit Lifecycles Institute, West Richmond, Hamilton, Cambie, Thompson, South Arm and Steveston Community Associations.



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Richmond Media Lab

Located in the Richmond Cultural Centre and operated in conjunction with the Richmond Arts Centre, the Media Lab is designed to increase technology literacy, accessibility and creativity in our community, particularly among youth. Media Lab participants are taught skills and techniques for applying media and computer technology towards artistic activities and practical marketable skills.

"RYMP, nothing compares to it! It's really good to be here!"

– RYMP member

RICHMOND MEDIA LAB BY THE NUMBERS:

- 50** Richmond Youth Media Program (RYMP) members
- 2,218** hours RYMP members spent learning media arts skills and building community connections
- 50** Media Lab courses
- 533** registrations for Media Lab courses

Richmond Youth Media Program (RYMP)

The Richmond Youth Media Program (RYMP), a free, referral-based program for youth ages 13–24, has been running continuously for more than ten years as a signature offering of the Media Lab. RYMP members gain skills in media arts and build connections in the community, with a focus on asset development. This year saw a continuation of support from presenting sponsor, Viva Pharmaceuticals and Vancouver Coastal Health's ongoing grant support in partnership with Richmond Addiction Services Society (RASS).

This year, RYMP returned to in-person programming complete with an outdoor summer series and three out-trips: Garry Point Park (*Walk. Listen. Record* public art project), Frederic Wood Theatre at UBC (*Parliament of the Birds*) and Genesis Theatre (Richmond Delta Youth Orchestra).

In 2022, there were 50 members, 59 guests, 21 adult mentors (including youth workers and professional media artists) and one work placement student who spent 26 hours at RYMP skill sessions and events. RYMP members also participated in a variety of community events and initiatives, including the following:

YOUTH WEEK – CAREERS IN MEDIA ARTS (CIMA)

Careers in Media Arts is an annual event that introduces youth to professionals working in different areas of media arts. On May 7, CIMA was presented in-person at the Media Lab, and featured 3D Modelling and Texture artist and



instructor, Dominic Garcia and two RYMP members, Isidora Chan and Ro Levy. In total, 14 participants enjoyed this professional development event with refreshments on the Rooftop Garden.

RICHMOND REMEMBERS LIVE VIDEO SIMULCAST

Under the direction of filmmaker Kryshan Randel, five RYMP members took part in providing live coverage of the 2022 *Richmond Remembers* ceremony at Richmond City Hall. RYMP members set up recording equipment including microphones and cameras, and provided great shots throughout the event. The video attracted **more than 4,000 views**.

YOUTH ART MART

A youth-led initiative, this annual event has been running since 2013 (except for 2020). In 2021, staff revived the Mart and in 2022, the number of vendors doubled with the event held over two days and a wider range of artists invited to participate (ages 13-30). Many new vendors were reached via the @CityOfRichmondYouth Instagram page. In total, there were 20 vendors and 459 visitors.

"I felt really supported by the staff and felt that I could focus entirely on my table without worrying about anything else. Essentially a shop with training wheels."

– Youth Art Mart vendor

Programs & Activities

MEDIA ARTS EDUCATION COURSES

With a return to in-person classes, new instructors joined the team including filmmakers and graphic designers. Throughout 2022, students took classes on a range of topics including Digital Illustration, Animation, Stop-Motion Animation, Video Editing, Filmmaking and Graphic Design.

COMMUNITY MEDIA & TECHNOLOGY RESOURCE

The Media Lab has continued in its role as a community resource on technology and media, providing advice, technical support and equipment for a variety of community groups. Some highlights:

- hosting Ying Wang of Cinevolution Media Arts Society providing a series of training workshops for Indigenous documentary filmmakers
- facilitating Resident Art Group TAGOR in producing hybrid live-streaming events, and
- creation of a Portable Media Cart for live-streaming at the Cultural Centre.



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"RYMP helped connect me to a job where I'm able to use skills taught here, and also helped me reconnect with friends that I hadn't seen in ages, all during a difficult personal time.

RYMP has always been a safe/important place to me, and has continued to help me way into adulthood with things that I'd normally have no idea where to start with. I'm super thankful."

– RYMP member

MEDIA LAB-RICHMOND PUBLIC LIBRARY PARTNERSHIP

In partnership with the Library, the Media Lab offered a free two-week course called *Animating Memories* to empower participants to use technology for sharing photos and videos with family and friends. Participants learned about equipment available at the Media Lab and the Library's Launchpad which includes photo and slide scanners and sound recording equipment.

SPRING BREAK & SUMMER CAMPS

The Media Lab and Arts Centre joined forces to offer enriching programs across disciplines for both spring break and summer. Programmers also partnered with the Richmond Art Gallery to provide field trips.

DOORS OPEN 2022

The Media Lab opened its doors and hosted two days of Stop-Motion Animation workshops for visiting families and participants.

TECHNOLOGY & EQUIPMENT UPGRADE

This year saw a significant upgrade to the computers in the Media Lab, with most equipment replaced with a set of 10 MacBook Pro laptops to take full advantage of Adobe Creative Suite software. An inventory of Media Lab equipment was also completed in anticipation of moving to the new Richmond Cultural Centre Annex building in 2023. Aging, broken, and outdated equipment is replaced strategically throughout the year.

Media Creation Services

Staff work with partners from a range of City departments and community partners to support the production of original videos to highlight program achievements, assist with staff training, provide documentation, and/or offer technical support and advice. If Media Lab staff are unable to assist with a request, they can provide referrals to service providers in the community.

In 2022, the list of projects included: *2021 Arts Services Year in Review* video, *2021 Heritage Services Year in Review* video, U-ROC Awards video intro and livestream hosting of awards show, *My Richmond* Business Portal instructional videos, *Art At Work* presenter headshot photography, Writer-in-Residence program filming, and filming *MOTHLIKE/silvery-blue* Culture Days public performance.

Partners and Funders

The Media Lab continues to develop relationships with service agencies across the region. RYMP members have been referred to employment, volunteer and workshop opportunities as part of the program benefits. RYMP youth have found volunteer experience and paid employment with the Richmond Art Gallery, Richmond Arts Centre, Community Social Development, Minoru Seniors Society and City Centre Community Centre.

In 2022, RYMP successfully renewed its funding relationship with the Vancouver Coastal Health SMART Fund for three years of program support, and also has the ongoing support of Richmond Addictions Services Society.



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Diversity



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Public Spaces





Minoru Jam Session

Beyond Arts Services

While much of Richmond's arts programs, exhibitions, events and experiences are offered through the Department of Arts, Culture & Heritage Services, the arts play a vital role in other areas in the Community Services Division, including Parks Programs and Community Recreation.

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION ARTS PROGRAMS BY THE NUMBERS:

- 2,844** Arts courses offered
- 13,308** Registered participants
- 10** Participating community associations/societies

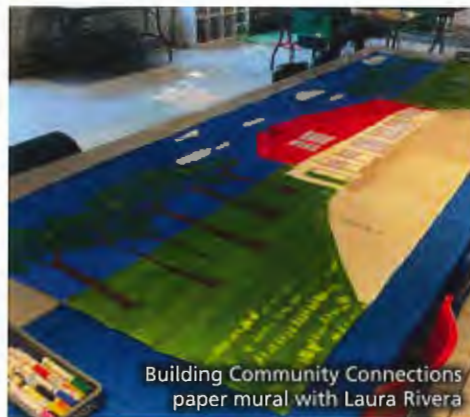
Community Associations and Societies

As part of our relationship-based approach, the City of Richmond works with community associations and societies to deliver a variety of programs and services at community centres and the Seniors Centre at Minoru Centre for Active Living. Program offerings and events include visual arts, dance, music and theatre opportunities which play a vital role in the continuum of arts programming in the City.

Although the delivery of arts programs at community centres continued to be impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, 2022 participation data demonstrated a steady recovery towards pre-pandemic participation. In 2022, more than 2,800 visual arts, dance and music courses were offered for 13,308 participants in both virtual and in-person formats, which represented a significant increase over 2021 participation (5,060 in 2021).

In addition to registered programs, arts activities are an important component of the child care programs offered by community centres. Throughout each year, arts programming also supports city-wide themes and special events, such as Pink Shirt Day and Pride Week.

Participating associations include City Centre Community Association, East Richmond Community Association, Hamilton Community Association, Sea Island Community Association, South Arm Community Association, Steveston Community Society, Thompson Community Association, West Richmond Community Association and Minoru Seniors Society, as well as the Richmond Nature Park Society.



Activities

ARTIST IN THE PARK

Branscombe House Artist-in-Residence, Krystal Kiran, performed and taught dance in Steveston Park. The program attracted park users, preschool families and daycamp children alike. Krystal's offerings cultivated cross-cultural allyship through arts and healing practices, with a particular focus on celebrating the "third culture" experience, thus bridging communities together.

BUILDING COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

At South Arm Community Association's Building Community Connections event, the centre engaged local artist, Laura Rivera, to create a painted paper mural of South Arm Community Centre. At the event, participants were invited to add themselves into the mural, signifying their connection to South Arm.

DRAMA, PHOTO AND GLEE

Throughout 2022, arts groups from the Seniors Centre at Minoru Centre for Active Living continued to meet. The Platinum Players Drama Group met online weekly to rehearse short skits, while the Minoru Photo Group and Glee singers attended their programs throughout the year, maintaining their vital connections to the arts and to each other.

FACES OF RICHMOND

In celebration of BC Seniors' Week 2022, from June 6 to 12, the Senior Centre at Minoru Centre for Active Living partnered with the Community Arts Council of Richmond to display an exhibition featuring portraits of seniors in Richmond. Additionally, audio pieces of the seniors were recorded to accompany each portrait – stories that contain nuggets of wisdom or personal messages. Each portrait was painted by a local artist and the interpretative portrait they kindly created was gifted to their senior models.

JAZZ PIANO COMPING AND CLARINET

The Seniors Centre at Minoru Centre for Active Living continued with new music programs to increase skill, build knowledge and have fun with Beginner Jazz Piano lessons. Participants learned the basics and met weekly to tune up their abilities and gain confidence in playing and performing.

"I felt so captivated by her story. I loved the sparkle in her eyes and her lovely warm smile, and I hope I was able to captivate those qualities in my art."

– Faces of Richmond artist



LOCAL ART EXHIBITION SPACE

South Arm, City Centre and Thompson Community Centres have wall space dedicated to exhibiting local works of art, in an effort to promote the development of visual arts of all levels and to provide local community exhibition space in Richmond. Artists from all cultural and artistic backgrounds at any stage in their career are encouraged to submit applications on an ongoing basis. New artists are selected regularly, showcasing a variety of artwork including paintings, drawings, photographs and textiles.

"Who doesn't love music? It's there for us when we are happy and when we are sad."

– Program participant, Seniors Centre

MUSIC AND DANCE SOCIALS

The Minoru Seniors Society hosted a variety of music and dance socials at the Seniors Centre at Minoru Centre for Active Living, including two International Line Dancing events, a series of volunteer-hosted social events celebrating music and song, and a jam session in the Fireside Lounge.

MUSICAL INTERLUDES

The Seniors Centre at Minoru Centre for Active Living continued to offer an in-person weekly music program for 55+ participants featuring sing-along-style piano and guitar performances. Music enhances mood and improves cognition, and these sessions provided a much-needed social opportunity for seniors.

OUTDOOR ART IN THE PARK

This activity, held in South Arm Community Centre's courtyard, continued to provide creative opportunities to inspire children to explore a combination of art mediums while developing new skills. In addition to the children's program, Outdoor Art in the Park was yet-again offered to youth over the summer season, where teens explored a variety of process-based art projects, enabling their creativity to flourish.



Harvest Full Moon Project



Earth Day



Pink Shirt Day

Special Events

HARVEST FULL MOON PROJECT

The Harvest Full Moon Project legacy continued at City Centre Community Centre for its seventh consecutive year. Project and artist lead, Marina Szijarto, and her team partner activated the centre to reflect the significance of the Harvest Full Moon Project where cultures from east to west come together to express gratitude and celebrate the harvest season through intercultural activities and art. Activities included a mooncake-making demonstration, box and bunny lantern making and an interactive Indigenous storytelling session.

WEST FEST

Re-introduced at West Richmond Community Centre this past August after a two-year hiatus, this event included a family painting area where preschool staff led and encouraged more than 80 participants to paint and decorate rocks to bring home for display in homes or gardens. The event also featured a large group of local youth musicians performing a wide variety of music. Many of the children (and adults) in the audience danced and sang along with the performers.

EARTH DAY

For Earth Day 2022, Thompson Community Association hosted a free outdoor celebration at Terra Nova Adventure Playground called Harnessing the Power. Community members joined local artist, Katharina Scharnweber in exploring the idea of renewable energy through the creation of personalized solar prints and miniature wind turbines.

PINK SHIRT DAY

Members of the Cambie Community Association's Youth Taking Charge group composed personally meaningful positive messages that were turned into graphic designs as well as stencils. While the designs were printed and posted around the Centre and on the @CambieYouth Instagram account, the stencils were used to spray rain-activated graffiti on the Cambie grounds. These positive messages were revealed when it rained, bringing brightness and inspiration to the dreary winter days.

CONCERTS IN THE PARK

West Richmond Community Association hosted an evening of family-friendly activities and free play last July at the playground, highlighted by a performance by Luc LeMans, a "one-man music machine" who writes, records and produces his own tracks.

City Centre Community Association kicked off its Concerts in the Park series at Garden City Park with a Pride Week showcase featuring live entertainment by Richmond-based singer and songwriter, Jason Qiu. Local talent, Shawn Bullshields, also performed during this free summer concert series.



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Pride Week at Thompson

PRIDE WEEK

Thompson Community Association celebrated Pride Week with Paint Your Pride, an outdoor workshop where children painted a one-of-a-kind t-shirt with their families. This activity was directed to LGBTQ2S+ members of the community to support artistic expression and individuality. There were 20 people registered for the workshop and many requests to offer more opportunities like this in the future.

As part of South Arm Community Association's Pride Week festivities, community members were invited to enjoy light refreshments and hands-on art activities while listening to original music performed by local musician, Jessica Mai.

As well, West Richmond Community Association hosted a Cardio Salsa dance session outdoors to embrace and recognize Pride Week in July. Eighteen people registered to participate, have fun and dance through the hour-long celebration.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

West Richmond Community Association hosted "Ukeing around the Christmas Tree" featuring 40 seniors playing the ukulele and singing along to classic holiday-themed songs. Light snacks and a social preceded the event, which proved to be a terrific seasonal activity for all involved.



City crew with street banners

2022 Street Banner Contest

The 2022 street banner contest, organized and coordinated by Richmond's Parks Department, was launched on August 10, 2020 and concluded with the banner unveiling ceremony on February 22, 2021. The contest attracted more than 650 original submissions consisting of photographs, graphic art, collages and other art medium formats. A community judging panel reviewed the submissions and selected 20 designs as semi-finalists. The public was then invited to vote for their favourite designs through the City's Lets Talk Richmond website. The Top 10 designs with the most votes were chosen as the winners.

The winning artists were Alissa Ritchie, Brian Phillips, Dawn Levelton, Eva Wong, Jaida Siu, Jenyse Grimm, Megan Yung, Micah Groberman, Paul Lung, and Vergilio Gloriani.



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Muscle and Dance in the Fireside Lounge, Seniors Centre at Minoru Centre for Active Living



MISSION

To enrich the quality of life in Richmond and surrounding communities by creating outstanding professional theatre and a dynamic hub for the performing arts.

Gateway Theatre

Gateway Theatre is managed and operated by Richmond Gateway Theatre Society, a registered charity and not-for-profit organization. Supported by the City, the theatre facility is Richmond's live performing arts hub, normally drawing audiences in excess of 35,000 to more than 150 performances.

In recent years, Gateway Theatre has collaborated with companies such as Western Canada Theatre, Pi Theatre, ITSAZOO, Ruby Slippers Theatre, Vertigo Theatre and Royal Manitoba Theatre Centre. Building on a tradition of artistic residencies in the venue, Gateway also offers a Company-in-Residence program.

Gateway's newer community-driven initiatives include participatory and immersive artistic offerings which take place off-site or make innovative uses of Gateway's premises. Recently, Gateway has partnered with other organisations, such as S.U.C.C.E.S.S, Aberdeen Centre and the Gulf of Georgia Cannery National Historic Site, in these artistic offerings.

Gateway also remains an important local rental venue, home to many recitals, events and performances produced by community and professional organisations.



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Artistic Offerings



Into the Light

INTO THE LIGHT

An Immersive Lunar New Year Experience

Created by Marina Szijarto and Stephanie Wong

February 18-20, 2022

Created by Hong Kong-born, Vancouver-based multidisciplinary artist, Stephanie Wong, and award-winning Richmond-based artist, Marina Szijarto, *Into the Light* was an all ages, immersive, walk-through experience that brought a unique approach to Lunar New Year, a holiday celebrated by many in the Richmond community. Attendees were immersed within the ancient tale of sea-monster *Nian* (年), and embarked on a journey through darkness and fear, into celebration and light. This unique experience attracted more than 450 attendees.



Certified

CERTIFIED

Written and performed by JD Derbyshire, Directed by Roy Surette

March 8-19, 2022

In *Certified*, comedian and "certified insane person" JD Derbyshire turned the audience into a mental health review board in this memoir-play, breaking the stigma around mental health. It was an irreverent fun, hilarious and heart-aching journey through the mental health system in Canada. Over 11 performances, *Certified* brought in more than 300 patrons.

IN WONDERLAND

By Anna Cummer, Directed by Haysam Kadri

April 7-16, 2022

Gateway Theatre delighted audiences with the BC premiere of *In Wonderland*, presented in English with Traditional and Simplified Chinese surtitles. In this imaginative and contemporary retelling of Lewis Carroll's classic novels, *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* and *Through the Looking Glass*, three actors (Sarah Roa, Natascha Girgis and Graham Percy) fantastically portrayed the story's iconic characters, transforming right before the audience's eyes. More than 1,000 patrons enjoyed *In Wonderland*.

SONGS OF SUMMER

August 27, 2022

Following the success of last year's *Songs of Summer*, Gateway Theatre invited visitors back to enjoy their outdoor concerts. In the afternoon, DJ Miss Sparklez and multi-talented young performer and songwriter, Rickie Wang, took the stage to perform their favourite jams that got the whole family on their feet busting out dance moves. Following the performance, families were encouraged to stay for interactive games, arts and crafts, and storytime. In the evening, Krystle Dos Santos performed an entertaining set filled with Motown tunes and classic feel-good tunes that transported everyone back to the good ol' days. These two outdoor concerts attracted more than 120 attendees.

"*Certified* was exactly the type of theatre we expect from a venue like the Gateway Theatre. It was intimate, engaging, surprising and dynamic theatre excellently performed."

– audience member



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Culture Days Celebration



Anne of Green Gables: The Musical

CULTURE DAYS CELEBRATION CONCERT FEATURING STAR BAND

September 24, 2022

Gateway Theatre hosted a free concert on the MainStage that brought in a sold out crowd. Star Band was invited to perform favourite pop music from past decades, as well as present-day hits in English, Cantonese, Mandarin and Japanese. Their performance brought in 400 attendees. Gateway Theatre was also part of the Culture Days opening weekend at the Richmond Cultural Centre plaza with colouring and activities for kids.

ANNE OF GREEN GABLES: THE MUSICAL

Book by Donald Harron

Music by Norman Campbell

Adapted from the novel by L. M. Montgomery

Directed by Barbara Tomasic, Music directed by Sean Bayntun

December 15–31, 2022

The musical adaption of L.M. Montgomery's timeless classic took over the MainStage during the holidays at Gateway Theatre. The classic story depicts Anne Shirley as she arrives in Avonlea, Prince Edward Island, and quickly captures the hearts of her new-found family and neighbours. With her fierce personality, remarkable imagination and eagerness to find her own place in the world, Anne brings joy, love and laughter to the quiet town. This inspiring, humorous, and touching musical brought joy to more than 6,000 attendees.

"Gateway has produced another exceptional production for all ages. The cast, the musicians and the set design was exceptional! The layout of the theatre is accessible to all and offers amenities on both levels of the theatre. As a Richmond resident, I am grateful that our city offers a rich theatrical experience. Bravo!"

– audience member

Photo artist & designer credits:

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Graham Percy, Natascha Girgis and Sarah Roa in *In Wonderland*. Set and Costume Design by Hanne Loosen. Lighting Design by Alexandra Prichard. Photo by Ben Laird.

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Into the Light photo provided by Gateway Theatre

JD Derbyshire in *Certified*. Directed by Roy Surette. Lighting Design by Jillian White. Photo by Ben Laird.

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Culture Days Celebration photo provided by Gateway Theatre

Cast of *Anne of Green Gables: The Musical*. Set design: Jessica Oostergo.

Costume Design: Donnie Tejani. Lighting Design: Sophie Tang. Photo by Ross Denotter.



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Community Event Rentals

Gateway Theatre welcomed back hosting a wide variety of events for community and professional organizations throughout the year.

During the first half of the year, due to COVID-19 restrictions, events were operated at a reduced capacity and some annual community partners could not be accommodated.

By July, rental events were able to return to full capacity, providing a much-needed performance space for 12 local organizations. These events attracted more than 3,000 visitors to Gateway Theatre from every age group.

2022 rental partners:

- Canada China Commerce and Cultural Association
- Canada YC Orchestra Association
- City of Richmond – Arts Awards
- City of Richmond – Sports Awards
- Dance Co.
- Defy Gravity Dance Company
- Educational Theatre Association of Canada
- Pico Productions
- Richmond Delta Youth Orchestra
- Rotary Club of Richmond
- Vancouver Academy of Dance
- Vancouver XiMu Musical Arts Academy



Gateway Academy

Adapting with COVID-19 protocols, Gateway Academy programs expanded class sizes, offering Acting and Musical Theatre Summer Camps and Fall / Winter sessional classes. Accompanists successfully augmented musical theatre classes and, with thanks to them and the instructors, the students grew in ensemble, acting, singing and dancing skills, as well as in their confidence. Each camp culminated in a presentation and each session ended with an Open Studio, when families enthusiastically participated in the practices of the class.

In 2022, Gateway Academy delivered more than 550 hours of education to a total of 238 students. The classes were as follows:

- **Acting Classes** (January–April, September–December 2022)
Acting students not only developed skills integral to all theatrical disciplines, but also universal skills such as confidence, focus, listening and trust-building.
- **Musical Theatre** (January–April, September–December 2022)
Musical Theatre students built confidence as they explored vocal techniques, choreography and expressing lyrics musically and dramatically.
- **Acting Summer Camp** (July 2022)
Acting campers not only developed skills integral to all theatrical disciplines, but also universal skills such as confidence, focus, listening and trust-building.
- **Musical Theatre Summer Camp** (July 2022)
Musical Theatre campers built confidence as they explored vocal techniques, choreography, and expressing lyrics musically and dramatically.

Gateway Theatre also reintroduced its Secondary School Outreach Program by serving four drama classes in one session. Participating schools attended the same matinee performance of *In Wonderland*, followed by an active post-show talk-back focussed on careers in theatre with artists and Gateway staff.







"We are excited to move forward this year with COVID-19 restrictions becoming fewer. Thank you for continuing to realize what RPC means to us all in the Richmond community."

– Richmond Potters' Club

APPENDIX 1

2022 Arts and Culture Grant Program

\$119,502 in financial support was distributed to the following 19 organizations:

OPERATING ASSISTANCE

Canadian YC Chinese Orchestra Association	\$6,587
Cinevolution Media Arts Society.....	\$9,100
Community Arts Council of Richmond	\$9,182
Richmond Arts Coalition	\$9,100
Richmond Community Band Society.....	\$2,052
Richmond Community Orchestra and Chorus Association	\$7,600
Richmond Delta Youth Orchestra	\$9,100
Richmond Music School Society	\$10,000
Richmond Potters' Club	\$7,000
Richmond Singers	\$9,182
Richmond Youth Choral Society	\$7,600
Textile Arts Guild of Richmond	\$1,867

PROJECT ASSISTANCE

Arisun Yue Opera Society.....	\$3,800
BC Philharmonic Society.....	\$4,550
Canada Chinese Performing Arts Society.....	\$4,550
Richmond Art Gallery Association	\$4,582
Steveston Historical Society	\$4,550
Tickle Me Pickle Theatre Sports Improv Society.....	\$4,550
Vancouver Cantonese Opera.....	\$4,550





APPENDIX 2

Richmond Public Art scheduled for completion in 2023–24

CIVIC PUBLIC ART PROJECTS:

- *Typha*, Charlotte Wall and Puya Khalili
- *Richmond Animal Shelter* public art work, Celan Bouillet

PRIVATE PUBLIC ART PROJECTS:

- *Alpha*, Jacqueline Metz and Nancy Chew
- *Fireside*, Nathan Lee

How Richmond supports and invests in arts and culture*

The City wears many hats, acting as a supporter, presenter, facilitator, communicator, investor and facility operator

Supporter



COMMUNITY ART EXHIBITIONS

20 exhibitions in **5** locations including Richmond City Hall



RICHMOND ARTS AWARDS

62 nominations
6 awards presented annually



CULTURE DAYS

55 registered activities¹ by **40** local arts groups and individuals

1: Ranked Number 1 in BC, Number 2 in Canada for medium-sized cities; in Top 10 overall



RICHMOND ARTS CENTRE

provided **8** arts groups
3,600+ hours of room rentals at a subsidy of **\$70,000**

Facility Operator



RICHMOND CULTURAL CENTRE

143 hours room rentals by cultural organizations at subsidized rates
1,062 face masks provided to maskless visitors



RICHMOND ARTS CENTRE

600+ arts courses
45+ professional instructors
8,000+ students registered



RICHMOND MEDIA LAB

50 media arts courses
50 Richmond Youth Media Lab members spent **2,218** hours at the Media Lab



RICHMOND ART GALLERY

11 exhibitions onsite, offsite and online presenting **14** artists
1,109 school program participants
60 free public programs in-person and online with **2,971** participants
10,399 YouTube video views



COMMUNITY CENTRES²

2,844 visual arts, dance & music courses
13,308 participants

2: Delivered by Community Associations Plus: Libraries, Museums and Heritage sites that partner with Arts Services

Communicator



ARTS & CULTURE E-BLASTS

14 e-newsletters
500+ subscribers

ART AT WORK PROGRAM

2 free professional development workshops for artists & organizations
140 participants

Investor



ARTS & CULTURE GRANTS PROGRAM

\$119,502 to **19** organizations



PUBLIC ART PROGRAM

367 artworks to date
23 new works in 2022
6 Richmond artists contracted for civic art commissions
9 community group partners
17,000+ hours of community participation in the Engaging Artists in the Community Program to-date

Presenter



FESTIVALS

5 major events showcasing
300+ local artists and performers
120+ performances
125,000+ in-person and online attendees



GATEWAY THEATRE³

43 performances and **19** rental events
76 professional artists
9 community performers
1,289 hours of training provided to emerging artists
11,603 audience members
550 hours of theatre education
238 students enrolled

3: Operated by Richmond Gateway Theatre Society with support of City of Richmond



ARTISTS-IN-RESIDENCE

2-month Writer-in-Residence
11-month Branscombe House Artist-in-Residence
3 Artists-in-Residence as part of Engaging Artists in the Community Program

Facilitator



FILM OFFICE

6 Film Studio Facilities
1,000+ Richmond business supported by the film industry
\$13 million+ spent on production-related goods and services such as costumes, catering, automobile rentals and more

* 2022 statistics represented unless otherwise noted

"The constant happiness
is curiosity."
— Alice Munro



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Report to Committee

To: Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services
Committee

Date: March 10, 2023

From: Todd Gross
Director, Parks Services

File: 10-6160-07-09/2023-
Vol 01

Re: Feral Rabbit Management Program

Staff Recommendation

That an integrated approach to the management of feral rabbits in Richmond including an increased public education and awareness campaign and implementation of a capture, sterilization and re-homing program, as described in the staff report titled "Feral Rabbit Management Program," dated March 10, 2023, from the Director, Parks Services, be approved.

Todd Gross
Director, Parks Services
(604-247-4942)

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SENIOR STAFF REPORT REVIEW	INITIALS: 	APPROVED BY CAO

Staff Report

Origin

The purpose of this report is to provide an update to Council on the present status of feral rabbits in Richmond, to provide a summary of the results of the Feral Rabbit Management Study and to seek approval from Council on the next steps for the management of feral rabbits per the recommendations of the Study.

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2018-2022 Strategy #2 A Sustainable and Environmentally Conscious City:

Environmentally conscious decision-making that demonstrates leadership in implementing innovative, sustainable practices and supports the City's unique biodiversity and island ecology.

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2018-2022 Strategy #5 Sound Financial Management:

Accountable, transparent, and responsible financial management that supports the needs of the community into the future.

Analysis

Background

Feral rabbits are domesticated animals that have been abandoned or escaped to the outdoors, including offspring of such animals. The rabbits commonly found in Richmond are European rabbits (*Oryctolagus cuniculus*), and have been classified by the Ministry of Forests as an invasive species. This problem is not unique to Richmond; feral rabbits are widespread throughout Metro Vancouver's member municipalities.

Rabbits continue to impact the community on both public and private landscapes, in a number of ways:

- **Damage to Infrastructure.** On both public and private property, rabbits cause damage to plants, turf grass, trees, and soil by burrowing, eating, and defecating in gardens and parks. Burrowing also undermines pathways, sloped areas and impact areas around structures (foundations).
- **Ecological Impact.** The adaptability, lack of natural predators and prolific breeding enable domestic feral rabbits to rapidly outcompete native species. Feral rabbits feed on a number of native plants and shrubs across Richmond which result in the damage and loss of natural habitat. Furthermore, feral rabbits have been reported in and around agricultural land. This migration could have a major impact on Richmond agricultural communities.

- **Health and Safety.** Considering their prolific nature, feral rabbits pose a health and safety risk to other wildlife, as well as Richmond residents. Feral rabbits in Richmond have been found to carry the Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease (RHD), which poses a potential threat to native rabbit species if the issue is left unchecked. Furthermore, because feral rabbits are transient and often seek out new habitable space, they often invade roadways and can pose a risk to motorists' safety.
- **Increased Rodent Activity.** Some well-meaning visitors to Richmond parks are bringing food for the feral rabbits. This is not dissimilar to residents who feed birds in public areas. The food is not always eaten immediately by the feral rabbits and the leftovers are often a food source for rodents. This, in turn, increases the potential for predation by other animals including coyotes.

Amendments to the Provincial Legislative Framework

In British Columbia, all species of the family *Leporidae* (hares and rabbits) are considered "wildlife" under Schedule A of the *Wildlife Act (the Act)*. Furthermore, the European rabbit is classified under *the Act* as a Schedule C animal which can be captured or euthanized anytime in British Columbia without a provincial license or permit as they are deemed an invasive species.

Up until spring 2022, under the previous regulatory framework, a captured feral European rabbit could not be transferred to another party (e.g., via adoption or sanctuary placement) without obtaining a provincial permit.

In spring, 2022, the Ministry of Forests changed the regulation pertaining to the capture, housing and adoption of feral rabbits (Attachment 1). The update to the Wildlife Act includes:

- a) Relocating or releasing a domestic rabbit into the wild is prohibited; and
- b) A permit is no longer required to trap feral rabbits for the purposes of relocating them for rehabilitation, to a sanctuary.

This 2022 regulatory update provides municipalities an avenue for more effective management of this invasive species.

Current City Management Practices

The City's current management practices include the following:

- **Bylaws.** City bylaws have been implemented including banning the sale of rabbits in pet stores in 2010. Through the Public Parks and School Grounds Regulation (No. 8771), feeding of animals, including feral rabbits in any public park or school ground, and the depositing or release of animals in any public park or school ground is prohibited. As per the Animal Control Bylaw (No. 7932), homeowners are permitted to keep up to two (2) domestic rabbits per household. Staff are not currently contemplating additional bylaw changes for the management of domestic or feral rabbits.
- **City Animal Shelter and the BC SPCA.** The BC SPCA, which operates the City's animal shelter accepts domestic rabbits, but not feral rabbits. All domestic rabbits that are

put up for adoption at the City's animal shelter are sterilized prior to adoption to aid in controlling the rabbit population.

- **BC SPCA Public Education.** The BC SPCA has posted the following statement on the topic of feral rabbit management:

The BC SPCA is opposed to the abandonment of domestic rabbits into the wild, which is a criminal act under the Criminal Code of Canada and an offence under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act. The BC SPCA strongly encourages municipalities to enact bylaws that prevent the sale or adoption of unsterilized rabbits and manage free-living domestic ("feral") rabbits.

The BC SPCA does not support the lethal control of free-living domestic ("feral") rabbits for nuisance reasons (including culls). When control is needed, the BC SPCA strongly encourages the use of non-lethal, non-contact, prevention and exclusion techniques. In addition, the BC SPCA supports activities that aim to humanely trap, sterilize and re-home adoptable rabbits in approved homes or sanctuaries that can provide for their needs for the remainder of their lives.

(Source: <https://spca.bc.ca/programs-services/leaders-in-our-field/position-statements/position-statement-on-feral-rabbits/>)

- **City of Richmond Public Awareness Campaign.** In the spring of 2022, the City engaged in a targeted Easter campaign, which is a popular time for individuals to purchase rabbits as gifts. Through conversations with rabbit advocacy groups and key stakeholders, it was recognized that there was a gap in the general knowledge regarding responsible ownership of pet rabbits. In order to combat this issue, the City's Easter Public Awareness Campaign focused on educating the public on the lifespan, commitment, care and cost of pet rabbits.

The campaign included updating the City's urban wildlife webpage and a social media campaign involving video and captioned photos of juvenile domestic rabbits with captions discussing the responsibilities of owning a pet rabbit and the suggested alternative of giving the gift of chocolate rabbits rather than a live pet. This seven-day campaign resulted in 9,659 impressions (number of people viewing the content) and 574 engagements (number of people interacting with the content).

- **Monitoring and Response.** At present, the City monitors and responds to complaints regarding feral rabbits on public property. When contacted by residents, City staff note the location and nature of the complaint and coordinate with Parks Operations staff to attend to the site to repair damage to parks infrastructure.

Residents are encouraged to contact Animal Protection Services if they observe someone feeding feral rabbits. Staff coordinate with Animal Protection Services, for animal control enforcement regarding feeding reports and installation of signage noting the prohibition in the City Bylaw on feeding at locations where this activity is regularly occurring.

Installed signage also includes educational information for residents and visitors of the City, of the unintended ecological effects of feeding urban wildlife.

Feral rabbits also impact School District No. 38 (Richmond) property. School District staff shared information chronicling extensive impacts to school property including burrowing under portable buildings, holes and feces on open lawn areas and adverse impacts to community garden plots.

If residents contact Parks staff regarding feral rabbits impacting private property, they receive information regarding management practices and contact information regarding local not-for-profit rabbit rescue organizations.

Feral Rabbit Management Study

Staff recently worked with the Invasive Species Council of British Columbia (ISCBC) to complete a Feral Rabbit Management Study. The findings and recommendations found in the study are data-driven and scientifically-based and provide unbiased recommendations for managing feral rabbits in Richmond. The project included conducting a field study to estimate feral rabbit activity on City-owned public land; a literature review of the impacts of feral rabbits; and identifying potential practices for the management of feral rabbits.

The field study was conducted at 24 locations where sightings of feral rabbits had been reported and where potential feral rabbit habitats had been identified. The 24 locations were observed twice (July and August, 2022), at which time 39 and 72 feral rabbits were observed respectively.

In addition, the evidence of significant impacts highlighted that the population indicates a high rate of reproduction and that they are widespread throughout the community. Whether it was the presence of feces (pellets), burrows, damaged plants or evidence of feeding, feral rabbits are already adversely impacting the environment. For example, based on feedback from Urban Bounty, 11 existing community gardens, including Cook and Terra Nova are seeing infestations and adverse impacts. Gardeners have taken on the added and unexpected cost of erecting hardware wire mesh fencing around individual plots to minimize damage.

The study recommends that an integrated and prompt management approach is required before management is no longer feasible due to the projected potential of a dramatic population increase. Based on the evidence and literature review, the study identified the following management options:

1. Policy and regulation changes: Create new or amend existing bylaws and regulations to reduce the likelihood of unwanted domestic rabbits being abandoned in City parks.
 - The City currently has the appropriate bylaws in place including regulations on feeding, dumping of animals in parks as well as a prohibition on selling rabbits.
2. Physical environment control: Establish physical controls such as fencing to exclude feral rabbits from key suitable habitats on public and private lands.
 - There are challenges with this approach due to Capital costs, on-going maintenance requirements and liability concerns.

3. Capture, sterilization and relocation: Widespread non-lethal capturing of feral rabbits whereupon they will be sterilized and re-homed to sanctuaries or approved homes.
 - Key to success for this approach is identifying a viable community partner with the appropriate expertise and long-term capacity.
4. Capture and humane euthanization: Widespread non-lethal capturing and subsequent humane disposal.
 - Due to public feedback, pursuing a euthanization management program is not recommended and should be considered only as a management practice of last resort after other approaches have been exhausted.
5. An integrated approach involving public education (Recommended): Recognizing that no one option will likely yield effective results, implementing an integrated approach including capture, sterilization and re-homing, as well as increased public awareness campaign.
 - The above is recommended as it is a holistic approach and is supported by past pilot project initiatives.

The study findings highlight that while preventing the introduction of an invasive species is a key initial step, the next most important action is early response before populations are well-established resulting in ongoing environmental and economic damage. An integrated approach involving the capture, sterilization and relocation of feral rabbits combined with an ongoing public education campaign is recommended before the population reaches a point where Richmond's environment, green spaces and agricultural sector further are adversely impacted.

Next Steps

Staff propose the following next steps:

Enhanced Public Awareness Campaign

Similar to the Public Awareness Campaign launched in 2022, the City will focus on increased rabbit education through social media leading up to, and throughout Easter. Once Easter has concluded, staff will continue the campaign and shift the messaging away from holiday focused material to general information targeted at behavior change and increased understanding of the responsibilities of rabbit ownership, as well as the role that feral rabbits play in Richmond's urban environment. This will also include collaboration with the ISCBC and their "Don't Let it Loose" education campaign focusing on the importance of keeping domestic animals out of BC's natural landscape.

Request for Proposals (RFP) for Feral Rabbit Management Services

Staff propose issuing an RFP following the City's existing purchasing practices to identify potential service providers who are willing to provide Feral Rabbit Management Services as outlined in Option Five of the Feral Rabbit Management Study:

To engage in the widespread non-lethal capturing of feral rabbits whereupon they will be sterilized and re-homed to sanctuaries or approved homes.

March 10, 2023

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Current feral rabbit management related activities are funded through the existing Wildlife Management budget. Should the RFP process identify a viable management strategy requiring additional funding beyond that which is available in the Wildlife Management budget, staff will submit a funding request for Council consideration.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

Through continued public education campaigns, collaboration with the BC SPCA, and implementation of the non-lethal capture and sterilization of feral rabbits, the feral rabbit population in Richmond will remain manageable. Staff will continue to monitor incidents of feral rabbits impacting City infrastructure and bylaw infractions and recommend further action as required.

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Alex Kurnicki
Manager, Parks Programs
(604-276-4099)

Att. 1: Information Bulletin Ministry of Forests, June 2022



INFORMATION BULLETIN

For Immediate Release
2022FOR0040-000994
June 23, 2022

Ministry of Forests

Changes to B.C.'s Wildlife Act will help control feral rabbits

VICTORIA – Regulatory changes have been made to the provincial Wildlife Act to help enhance government's ability to manage feral rabbits and reduce their spread.

Wild European and eastern cottontail rabbits are non-native and are known to destroy property (including agricultural crops) and are detrimental to native wildlife and their habitats.

Under changes to the Designation and Exemption Regulations in the Wildlife Act, European and eastern cottontail rabbits can no longer be relocated or released into the wild.

As well, a permit will no longer be required for trafficking, possessing or exporting European rabbits, captive or not. This removes permit requirements for municipalities or other groups to trap rabbits and transport them to rehab centres or homes, or euthanize them.

These regulatory changes will improve the ability to move feral non-native rabbits from one location to another and support options for having existing non-native rabbits removed. The amendments are a first step to improve the management of feral rabbits in order to reduce their spread and minimize their impact on the environment.

All species of the family Leporidae (hares and rabbits) are designated as wildlife under the Wildlife Act. This includes native species such as snowshoe hares, as well as non-native species such as the European rabbit and eastern cottontail. Both European rabbits and eastern cottontails are considered invasive, non-native pests and as such, are managed under the Designation and Exemption Regulation in the act.

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City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: General Purposes Committee
From: Kim Somerville
Director, Community Social Development
Date: March 2, 2023
File: 07-3190-01/2023-Vol 01
Re: 2023 UBCM Poverty Reduction Planning and Action Program Grant Submission

Staff Recommendations

1. That a resolution indicating support for the City's application to the 2023 UBCM Poverty Reduction Planning and Action Program in the amount of \$50,000 and willingness to provide overall grant management, as described in the report titled "2023 UBCM Poverty Reduction Planning and Action Program Grant Submission," dated March 2, 2023, from the Director, Community Social Development be endorsed; and
2. That should the funding application be successful, that the Chief Administrative Officer and the General Manager, Planning and Development be authorized on behalf of the City to enter into an agreement with UBCM for the above mentioned project and that the Consolidated 5 Year Financial Plan (2023–2027) be amended accordingly.

Kim Somerville
Director, Community Social Development
(604-247-4671)

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Staff Report

Origin

In 2020, the Provincial Government launched the Poverty Reduction Planning and Action Program, which provides funding through the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) for local governments to engage in projects that reduce poverty in their communities. That same year, the City received a grant through the program to develop a poverty reduction and prevention action plan that resulted in the 2021–2031 Collaborative Action Plan to Reduce and Prevent Poverty in Richmond. In 2022, the City received a second grant through the program to develop the Community Services Pop Ups pilot project, which will conclude in April 2023.

On December 14, 2022, a new round of funding was announced by UBCM and submissions are now being accepted for the 2023 program, which is designed to support projects that reduce poverty (Attachment 1). The grant application requires a Council resolution indicating support for the proposed project as well as a willingness to provide overall grant management. The purpose of this report is to seek Council endorsement of the City's 2023 UBCM Poverty Reduction Planning and Action Program grant application.

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2022–2026 Focus Area #6–A Vibrant, Resilient and Active Community:

Vibrant, resilient and active communities supported by a wide variety of opportunities to get involved, build relationships and access resources.

6.4 Support vulnerable populations through collaborative and sustainable programs and services.

This report also supports the following actions in the City's 2021–2031 Collaborative Action Plan to Reduce and Prevent Poverty in Richmond:

1.2 Pursue funding opportunities to advance poverty reduction and prevention initiatives;

2.9 Develop programs and services that respond to the specific needs of demographics at risk of or living in poverty; and

3.2 Implement targeted outreach that facilitates connections to community programs and services for residents at risk of or living in poverty (e.g. community navigator programs).

Analysis

The UBCM Poverty Reduction Planning and Action Program provides funding in two streams: Stream 1: Poverty Reduction Plans and Assessments, and Stream 2: Poverty Reduction Action, which provides funding of up to \$50,000 to fund projects that work to reduce poverty at the local level. To apply for Stream 2 funding, municipalities must have a poverty reduction plan and the proposed project outcomes must be linked to corresponding actions in the municipality's plan. On December 6, 2021, City Council adopted the 2021–2031 Collaborative Action Plan to Reduce and Prevent Poverty in Richmond, which guides the City's approach, in collaboration with the community, to reduce and prevent poverty in Richmond over the next ten years. The plan includes

actions around developing targeted programs that reduce barriers for vulnerable population groups in Richmond, such as lone-parent families, newcomers and residents experiencing homelessness.

Currently, the City in partnership with the Richmond Public Library is completing the Community Services Pop Ups pilot project (Pop Ups). Held on the second Thursday of each month at Brighthouse Library, these free drop-in sessions connect residents at risk of or living in poverty to community-based programs and services. To date, the Pop Ups have averaged over 60 community members per session with 16 community organizations participating each month. In the first three months of program delivery (November 2022–February 2023) over 180 individuals have been supported, demonstrating a clear need in the community for increased access to community-based resources and supports.

Staff have submitted a grant application for Stream 2: Poverty Reduction Action of the 2023 UBCM Poverty Reduction Planning and Action Program for \$50,000 to meet the March 17, 2023 deadline, which requires a Council resolution supporting the grant application. Due to the tight timeline, a Council resolution in support of the grant application can be provided to UBCM after the grant deadline. Should Council endorse the grant application, staff will provide UBCM with a copy of the Council resolution to support the City's submitted application. Should the grant application be successful, the City will be required to enter into a funding agreement with UBCM.

The proposed project will build on the success and learnings of the Pop Ups and focus on developing a pilot program that will offer peer-to-peer resource navigation at multiple library locations, such as Brighthouse, Cambie and Ironwood libraries. As part of the pilot, two persons with lived and living experience will be trained as resource navigators, who will help connect community members at risk of or living in poverty to community-based programs and resources. Resource navigation will be offered on a weekly basis at regularly scheduled times, including evenings and weekends, to support individuals who may face barriers to accessing services during traditional service hours (Monday to Friday, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.). Additionally, different activities, such as a housing navigation workshop, employment readiness workshop and/or a monthly coffee chat, will be offered during the pilot to provide additional supports for participants. A Community Team of persons with lived and living experience, including the project's resource navigators, will be formed to support the development and implementation of these activities.

The main goals of the project are to offer navigation supports that address identified needs in the community; to provide vulnerable residents with increased access to community resources outside of the City Centre area and traditional service hours; and to promote greater social inclusion by expanding peer and community-based networks. As well, the project will explore opportunities to continue the supports after the grant is complete, including funding options required to sustain the program.

By offering one-to-one assistance to and from persons with lived and living experience, the project will also foster meaningful peer relationships, strengthen feelings of purpose and belonging, and promote upskilling among vulnerable community members. The proposed project will further actions in the 2021–2031 Collaborative Action Plan to Reduce and Prevent Poverty in Richmond, specifically actions 2.9 and 3.2 that relate to the development of program and service delivery and the implementation of targeted outreach that facilitates community connections for residents at risk of or living in poverty.

The Richmond Public Library has agreed to host the resource navigation pilot program and will work with City staff to co-lead the project. The Community Poverty Reduction and Prevention Table will act as the project's Steering Committee and a project coordinator will be hired on contract through a portion of the grant to lead project development and implementation, which will involve recruitment, training and supervision of the Community Team. Persons with lived and living experience will be involved throughout the project and will be paid a Living Wage for their time. A communications and engagement plan will also be developed along with resource materials, such as navigation tools for use during training and for the provision of peer-to-peer support.

The project will be evaluated throughout its implementation and learnings will be summarized in a final evaluation report, including key findings and considerations for program sustainability.

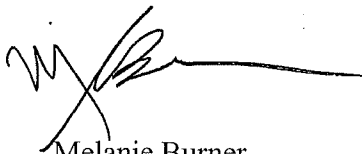
Work to date with the Pop Ups has identified that there continues to be a need in the community for poverty reduction initiatives that increase outreach to Richmond's vulnerable population groups. The proposed resource navigation pilot program will offer increased access to navigation supports and will empower residents with lived and living experience to engage in knowledge sharing and capacity building between peers. Providing these types of opportunities will support poverty reduction and prevention in Richmond and will help more individuals and families gain the necessary skills and community connections needed to move out of poverty.

Financial Impact

The proposed project expenses will be fully covered by the grant. Should the application for up to \$50,000 funding be successful, the Consolidated 5 Year Financial Plan (2023–2027) will be amended accordingly.

Conclusion

The UBCM Poverty Reduction Planning and Action Program Grant provides an opportunity for the City of Richmond and community partners to further actions in the 2021–2031 Collaborative Action Plan to Reduce and Prevent Poverty in Richmond. Staff recommend that a resolution indicating support for the City's application to the 2023 UBCM Poverty Reduction Planning and Action Program and willingness to provide overall grant management if the application is successful be endorsed.



Melanie Burner
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Att. 1: UBCM Poverty Reduction Planning & Action Program – 2023 Program & Application Guide

Poverty Reduction Planning & Action Program

2023 Program & Application Guide

1. Introduction

In March 2019, the Province of BC released their poverty reduction strategy: [*TogetherBC: British Columbia's Poverty Reduction Strategy*](#). Mandated through the *Poverty Reduction Strategy Act*, the strategy set targets to reduce the overall poverty rate in British Columbia by at least 25%, and the child poverty rate by at least 50%, by 2024. *TogetherBC* is based on four principles: affordability, opportunity, reconciliation, and social inclusion. These principles guided the priority action areas that form the core of the strategy.

With investments from across government, *TogetherBC* reflects government's commitment to reduce poverty and make life more affordable for British Columbians. It includes policy initiatives and investments designed to lift people up, break the cycle of poverty, and build a better BC for everyone.

Local governments have long-advocated for a provincial poverty reduction strategy and are crucial partners in this work. They are at the front-line of seeing the impacts of poverty in their communities and play a central role in developing local solutions with community partners and other levels of government.

Poverty Reduction Planning & Action program

The intent of the Poverty Reduction Planning & Action program is to support local governments in reducing poverty at the local level and to support the Province's poverty reduction strategy. In 2020, the Province provided \$5 million over three years and the program is administered by the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM). The first three intakes of the program in Spring 2020, Spring 2021, and Spring 2022 awarded over \$3 million to more than 100 local governments across the province.

Recognizing that three previous intakes have been held for this program, under the 2023 intake, applications under Stream 2: Poverty Reduction Action may be prioritized over Stream 1: Poverty Reduction Plans and Assessments.

2. Eligible Applicants

All local governments (municipalities, regional districts, and the Islands Trust) in BC are eligible to apply.

Eligible applicants can submit one application per intake, including regional applications or participation as a partnering applicant in a regional application.

3. Grant Maximum

The 2023 Poverty Reduction Planning & Action program provides two streams of funding. Projects funded under Stream 1 may receive up to 100% of the cost of eligible activities to a maximum of \$25,000. Projects funded under Stream 2 may receive up to 100% of the cost of eligible activities to a maximum of \$50,000. Regional projects under either Stream 1 or Stream 2 may receive up to 100% of the cost of eligible activities to a maximum of \$150,000.

In order to ensure transparency and accountability in the expenditure of public funds, all other contributions for eligible portions of the project must be declared and, depending on the total value, may decrease the value of the funding. This includes any other grant funding and any revenue that is generated from activities that are funded by the Poverty Reduction Planning & Action program.



4. Eligible Projects

To qualify for funding, applications must demonstrate the extent to which proposed activities will reduce poverty at the local level and:

- Focus on one or more of the six priority action areas identified in *TogetherBC*:
 - Housing
 - Education and training
 - Income supports
 - Families, children and youth
 - Employment
 - Social supports
- Be a new project (retroactive funding is not available);
- Be capable of completion by the applicant within one year from the date of grant approval;
- Involve key sectors of the community including community-based poverty reduction organizations, people with lived experience of poverty, businesses, local First Nations and/or Indigenous organizations.

Within the six priority areas, eligible projects may also address one or more of the other key priorities identified in *TogetherBC*: mental health and addictions, food security, transportation, and/or access to health care.

Regional Projects

Funding requests from two or more eligible applicants for regional projects may be submitted as a single application for eligible, collaborative projects. In this case, the maximum funding available would be based on the number of eligible applicants included in the application. It is expected that regional projects will demonstrate cost-efficiencies in the total grant request.

The primary applicant submitting the application for a regional project is required to submit a resolution as outlined in Section 7 of this guide. Each partnering applicant is required to submit a resolution that clearly states their approval for the primary applicant to apply for, receive, and manage the grant funding on their behalf.

The total funding request for regional projects cannot exceed \$150,000.

5. Requirements for Funding

As part of the approval agreement, approved projects must meet the following requirements for funding:

- Any in-person activities, meetings, or events must meet public health orders and/or guidance in relation to COVID-19.
- Activities must comply with all applicable privacy legislation under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* in relation to the collection, use, or disclosure of personal information while conducting funded activities. Personal information is any recorded information about an identifiable individual other than their business contact information. This includes information that can be used to identify an individual through association or inference.

In addition, as part of both the development of the application package and the delivery of the approved project, local governments are encouraged to engage with local First Nations and Indigenous organizations. Engagement by local governments both locally and regionally can help build relationships with First Nations, benefit both communities, and enhance reconciliation. More information on engagement best practices is available [here](#).

6. Eligible & Ineligible Costs & Activities

Eligible Costs & Activities

Eligible costs are direct costs that are approved for funding, properly and reasonably incurred, and paid by the applicant to carry out eligible activities. Eligible costs can only be incurred from the date of application submission until the final report is submitted.

Stream 1: Poverty Reduction Plans and Assessments

The intent of this funding stream is to support communities to develop or update assessments or plans in order to reduce poverty at the local level. The funding maximum under Stream 1 is \$25,000 for a single applicant and \$150,000 for regional applications.

Under Stream 1, eligible activities must be cost-effective and include:

- Development of a local Poverty Reduction plan or assessment that addresses one or more of the six priority action areas as identified in *TogetherBC*;
- Engagement of people living in poverty or with a lived experience of poverty in planning activities;
- Adding a poverty reduction lens including specific activities and outcomes to support people living in poverty, to existing plans or policies, such as:
 - Official Community Plans or community or neighbourhood plans;
 - Zoning and other policies;
 - Development permit requirements;
 - Emergency response, evacuation, and/or emergency support services plans;
 - Food security and food systems planning;
 - Community planning processes related to social determinants of health (e.g. affordable housing, homelessness, etc.).

Stream 2: Poverty Reduction Action

The intent of this funding stream is to support communities to undertake local projects in order to reduce poverty at the local level. The funding maximum under Stream 2 is \$50,000 for a single applicant and \$150,000 for regional applications.

In order to be eligible for Stream 2 funding, eligible applicants are required to have completed a Poverty Reduction plan or assessment, or demonstrate that their Official Community Plan, or an equivalent plan, is inclusive of poverty reduction principles.

Under Stream 2, eligible activities must be cost-effective and may include:

- Pilot projects to evaluate the impact of providing supports such as reduced-fare transit, recreation passes, or other service opportunities for low-income residents;
- Supporting financial security through tax-filing programs;
- Awareness campaigns to reduce stigma around poverty and promote social inclusion;
- Social enterprise initiatives that provide supported employment opportunities for people with multiple barriers to employment;
- Local food security initiatives including food-waste diversion projects and community kitchens that support training and social inclusion, as well as access to food;
- Pilot projects to assist key populations living with low income as identified in *TogetherBC*;

Stream 2 of the 2022 Poverty Reduction Planning & Action program is not intended to be a capital funding program. However, minor capital expenditures for eligible activities that have a clear and definable benefit to people living in poverty, that are clearly linked to activities identified in the application, and that are intended to reduce poverty at the local level will be considered for funding under Stream 2.

Capital costs cannot exceed 25% of the total requested Stream 2 grant (i.e. an application for a \$50,000 grant cannot include more than \$12,500 in capital costs).

Eligible Activities Applicable to Both Funding Streams

The following expenditures are also eligible, provided they relate directly to the eligible activities identified above:

- Honoraria for community member participants who are living in poverty. It is expected that the payment of honoraria should align with current best practices and that any honoraria paid for the ongoing participation of people living in poverty should be at least the current provincial minimum wage;
- Honoraria for cultural leaders, Elders, Indigenous knowledge keepers, and/or cultural keepers when they are scheduled to speak, present, or teach. Note: these honoraria should reflect the role of Indigenous Peoples as subject matter experts and be equitable to consultant rates;
- Consultant costs;
- Incremental staff and administration costs;
- Public information costs.

Ineligible Costs & Activities

Any activity that is not outlined above or is not directly connected to activities approved in the application is not eligible for grant funding. This includes:

- Development of feasibility studies and/or business cases;
- Development of architectural, engineering, or other design drawings for the construction or renovation of facilities providing services to people living in poverty;
- Long-term, permanent capital investments including the purchase of land and/or buildings;
- Major capital improvements to existing facilities and/or construction of new, permanent facilities;
- Regular salaries and/or benefits of applicant staff or partners;
- Routine or ongoing operating costs or activities (e.g., heating and lighting; security; software or service subscriptions, or membership fees);
- Routine or ongoing planning costs or planning activities that are not incremental to the project;
- Purchase of software, software licences, service subscriptions, or membership fees;
- Legal, audit, or interest fees or fees to incorporate a society;
- Project-related fees payable to the eligible applicant(s) (e.g. permit fees, DCCs, etc.);
- Existing programs with established, designated funding from other partners;
- Purchase of promotional items, door/raffle prizes, give-away items, and/or gifts for community members;
- Fundraising, lobbying, or sponsorship campaigns;
- Costs related to developing or submitting the application package.

7. Application Requirements & Process

Application Deadline

The application deadline is **March 17, 2023**. Applicants will be advised of the status of their application within 90 days of the application deadline.

Required Application Contents

- Completed Application Form;
- Detailed project budget, including itemized costs/activities that will be funded by the grant and separating out any in-kind and/or cash contributions from the applicant(s) or other grant funding;
- Council, Board, or Local Trust Committee resolution, indicating support for the current proposed activities and willingness to provide overall grant management;
- **For regional projects only:** Each partnering eligible local government must submit a Council, Board, or Local Trust Committee resolution that clearly indicates support for the primary applicant to *apply for, receive, and manage the grant funding on their behalf*;

Resolutions from partnering applicants must include the specific language above.

Submission of Applications

Applications should be submitted as Word, Excel or PDF files. Total file size for email attachments cannot exceed 20 MB.

All applications should be submitted to Local Government Program Services, Union of BC Municipalities by email: lgps@ubcm.ca

Review of Applications

UBCM will perform a preliminary review of applications to ensure the required application elements have been submitted and to ensure that eligibility criteria have been met. Only complete application packages will be reviewed.

Following this, all eligible applications will be reviewed and scored by the Evaluation Committee. Higher application review scores will be given to projects that:

- Align with the intent and objectives of the Poverty Reduction Planning & Action program;
- Demonstrate direct participation in the proposed activities by people living in poverty or with a lived experience of poverty;
- Include anticipated outcomes and a clear and achievable evaluation framework on how the success of the project or plan will be measured;
- Demonstrate clear and definable benefit to the community as a whole;
- Demonstrate evidence of engagement with First Nations, Indigenous organizations and/or Métis Chartered Communities (e.g., collaborative planning tables; incorporating First Nation values and perspectives in proposed activities; existing outreach, plans, engagement reports or processes; including First Nation engagement costs in the budget);
- Include partnerships and demonstrated community support, including community-based poverty reduction organizations, people with lived experience of poverty, and/or businesses;
- Demonstrate cost-effectiveness of the project, including in-kind or cash contributions to the project from the eligible applicant(s), community partners, or other grant funding.

Point values and weighting have been established within each of these scoring criteria. Only those applications that meet a minimum threshold point value will be considered for funding. Applications under Stream 2: Poverty Reduction Action may be prioritized over Stream 1: Poverty Reduction Plans and Assessments.

The Evaluation Committee will consider the population and provincial, regional, and urban/rural distribution of proposed projects. Recommendations will be made on a provincial priority basis. All funding decisions will be made by UBCM.

All application materials will be shared with the Province of BC

8. Grant Management & Applicant Responsibilities

Please note that grants are awarded to eligible applicants only and, as such, the applicant is responsible for completion of the project as approved and for meeting reporting requirements.

Applicants are also responsible for proper fiscal management, including maintaining acceptable accounting records for the project. UBCM reserves the right to audit these records.

Notice of Funding Decision & Payments

All applicants will receive written notice of funding decisions. Approved applicants will receive an Approval Agreement, which will include the terms and conditions of any grant that is awarded, and that is required to be signed and returned to UBCM within 30 days.

Grants under the Poverty Reduction Planning & Action program will be awarded in two payments: 50% at the approval of the project and when the signed Approval Agreement has been returned to UBCM, and 50% when the project is complete and the final reporting requirements have been met.

Please note that in cases where revisions are required to an application, or an application has been approved in principle only, the applicant has 30 days from the date of the written notice of the status of the application to complete the application requirements. Applications that are not completed within 30 days may be closed.

Progress Payments

In exceptional circumstances, to request a progress payment, approved applicants are required to submit:

- Written rationale for receiving a progress payment;
- Description of activities completed to date; and
- Description of funds expended to date.

Changes to Approved Projects

Approved grants are specific to the project as identified in the approved application, and grant funds are not transferable to other projects. Generally speaking, this means funds cannot be transferred to an activity that was not included in the approved application.

Approval from UBCM and/or the Evaluation Committee will be required for any variation from the approved project. Depending on the complexity of the proposed amendment, requests may take up to 90 days to review.

To propose changes to an approved project, approved applicants are required to submit:

- Amended application package, including updated, signed application form, budget, and an updated Council, Board, or Local Trust Committee resolution; and
- For regional projects only, evidence of support from partnering applicants for proposed amendments will be required; and

- Written rationale for proposed changes to activities and/or expenditures.

Applicants are responsible for any costs above the approved grant unless an amended application is submitted and approved prior to work being undertaken.

Extensions to Project End Date

All approved activities are required to be completed within the timeframe identified in the Approval Agreement and all extensions beyond this date must be requested in writing and be approved by UBCM. Extensions will not exceed one year.

9. Final Report Requirements

All funded activities must be completed within one year of notification of funding approval and the final reports are due within 30 days of project completion.

Applicants are required to submit an electronic copy of the complete final report, including the following:

- Completed Final Report Form with all required attachments;
- Detailed financial summary that includes the actual expenditures from the Poverty Reduction Planning & Action program and other sources of funding (if applicable) and that aligns with the actual activities outlined in the final report form;
- For Stream 1 only: electronic copy of the completed plan or assessment;
- Copies of any materials that were produced with grant funding;
- Optional: photos of the project, media clippings, and/or any reports or documents developed or amended with grant funding.

Submission of Final Reports

Final reports should be submitted as Word, Excel or PDF files. Total file size for email attachments cannot exceed 20 MB.

All applications should be submitted to Local Government Program Services, Union of BC Municipalities by email: lgps@ubcm.ca.

All final reports will be shared with the Province of BC

10. Additional Information

For enquiries about the application process or general enquiries about the program, please contact:

Union of BC Municipalities
525 Government Street
Victoria, BC V8V 0A8

Email: lgps@ubcm.ca

Phone: (250) 356-7123

For more information on BC's Poverty Reduction Strategy, please refer to [TogetherBC](#).



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: General Purposes Committee
From: Peter Russell
Director, Sustainability and District Energy
Re: **BC's Proposed Coastal Marine Strategy**




Date: March 1, 2023
File: 10-6160-01/2023-Vol
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Staff Recommendation

That the comments outlined in the staff report titled, "BC's Proposed Coastal Marine Strategy", dated March 1, 2023, from the Director, Sustainability and District Energy be endorsed and submitted to the Province.

Peter Russell
Director, Sustainability and District Energy
(604-276-4130)

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Staff Report

Origin

At the June 22, 2020 Regular Council meeting it was resolved:

1. *That Richmond request the BC Government to develop and enact a Coastal Strategy and Law to leverage and coordinate the work of provincial ministries, First nations, local communities, and stakeholders groups to preserve coastal and ocean health, halt coastal habitat loss, accelerate the completion of a network of marine protected areas to benefit fisheries, biodiversity and the economy, set marine environmental quality objectives, and help communities adopt ecosystem –based approaches to manage risk from flooding due to extreme weather events, sea level rise, climate change and ocean acidification; and*
2. *That the City of Richmond write a letter of support and requesting action to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, BC Minister of Environment, Minister of Agriculture, Minister of Indigenous Affairs and Reconciliation, and the Premier of British Columbia in support of a Coastal Protection Strategy.*

Since this time, the Province has been developing the proposed BC Coastal Marine Strategy to guide coastal marine management under the Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship. The strategy proposes a plan for addressing priorities for coastal marine ecosystem health and community well-being. The Province is currently in the process of collecting feedback from local governments, First Nations, non-government organizations, and businesses, among other stakeholders on the *Coastal Marine Strategy for British Columbia Intentions Paper: Policy Intentions Paper December 2022*.

This report provides an overview of the Province's proposed BC Coastal Marine Strategy and includes comments that, if endorsed, will be forwarded to the Province to support the development of BC's draft Coastal Marine Strategy.

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2022-2026 Focus Area #2 Strategic and Sustainable Community Growth:

Strategic and sustainable growth that supports long-term community needs and a well-planned and prosperous city.

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2022-2026 Focus Area #3 A Safe and Prepared Community:

Community safety and preparedness through effective planning, strategic partnerships and proactive programs.

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2022-2026 Focus Area #5 A Leader in Environmental Sustainability:

Leadership in environmental sustainability through innovative, sustainable and proactive solutions that mitigate climate change and other environmental impacts.

Analysis

BC has an extensive 26,000- kilometre coastline that supports a diversity of ecosystems ranging from lush kelp forests and seagrass meadows to rocky intertidal shores. The ocean moderates the weather and provides important transportation, economic, and recreational opportunities. Three-quarters of the population live in the coastal zone. The ocean-based economy is over \$21 billion and directly employs 131,000 people full-time according to the Province. BC is one of a few coastal jurisdictions in North America without a comprehensive coastal and marine strategy. Coastal marine management currently relies on a variety of existing regulations overseen by different orders of government. The Province committed to developing a Coastal Marine Strategy (the Strategy) in 2020. The Strategy will focus on the coastal waters from the Alaskan border, south to the Washington State border. The *Coastal Marine Strategy for British Columbia Intentions Paper: Policy Intentions Paper December 2022* (the Intentions Paper) is the initial stage of policy development that includes six outcomes and 30 policy intentions.

Coastal Management in BC

The management of BC's coastal areas is the responsibility of all levels of government. The federal government's coastal jurisdiction generally extends from the low watermark, out to 200 nautical miles, along Canada's coastline. A number of federal agencies are responsible for managing a wide range of activities in this area such as navigation, shipping and fisheries. The Province owns much of BC's foreshore and inland coastal water beds, administers land tenures, licensing, and also has a variety of management plans and policies dedicated to the protection of these areas. First Nations have jurisdiction over upland and aquatic lands within federal Indian Reserves. Traditional rights to marine resources outside of these areas are subject to ongoing Treaty Negotiations in BC. Local governments have the power to plan and regulate land use within municipal boundaries including regulating development along the shoreline, enacting zoning, restricting moorage, and managing private dock construction.

Coastal Protection in Richmond

Richmond's unique series of islands in the Lower Fraser River estuary requires special consideration for the development of regional policies. The proposed provincial Strategy must consider the City's unique characteristics and be compatible with the City's development objectives, including flood protection. Richmond has a number of bylaws, policies and strategies that protect Richmond's unique coastal ecosystems including:

- **Environmentally Sensitive Areas** – the City has been managing development along Richmond's intertidal areas through its rezoning and development permit process since 1991. Under this development process, most activities including rezoning, subdivision, demolition, and construction within 30 metres of high water mark along Richmond's shoreline are subject for a review by staff. Richmond's Chapter 9 of Richmond's Official Community Plan (2041) also outlines various policies that protect the City's functioning Ecological Network;
- **Riparian Response Strategy** – The City's Riparian Response Strategy was endorsed in 2006 and assigns setbacks on minor (5m) and major (15m) freshwater watercourses, through zoning, to protect local fish habitat from development;

- **Ecological Network Management Strategy** – Richmond’s Ecological Network Management Strategy was endorsed in 2015 and recognizes the important role healthy shorelines contribute to Richmond’s functioning ecosystems.
- **Flood Protection Management Strategy** – Richmond’s Flood Protection Management Strategy was endorsed by Council in 2008. Updates to this initiative were approved by Council in 2019 to improve the City's ability to prevent floods and reduce damage caused by floods through the implementation of proactive policies and partnerships, upgrading flood protection infrastructure, and monitoring climate change. The City’s Dike Master Plan outlines the process to upgrade the City’s dike in advance of sea level rise and other climate change flood hazards. Accelerating the dike upgrade program will provide additional flood resilience for the City by raising the dikes well in advance of the current sea level rise projections used by the City for modelling. Dike Master Plan Phases 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 have been endorsed.
 - **Habitat Enhancement** – Council endorsed a fish habitat bank in 2021 to support its Flood Protection Management Strategy. As a cornerstone of flood management, Richmond intends to enhance strategic areas of foreshore to support future offsetting requirements and maintain the City’s Ecological Network.
- **Bylaws** – The City regulates and manages the permitting of non-stormwater discharge through *Pollution Prevention and Clean-Up Bylaw No. 8475*, to prevent polluting substances from entering the City’s drainage system and ultimately the Fraser River. The City also manages stormwater through various bylaws, including *Drainage, Dike and Sanitary Sewer System Bylaw No. 7551* and the *Watercourse Protection and Crossing Bylaw No. 8441*.

BC Coastal Strategy Intentions Paper and Staff Comments

Attachment 1 presents detailed comments, for Council endorsement, that considers Richmond’s unique perspective and role in coastal management as a series of islands in the Lower Fraser River estuary. The proposed Strategy (Attachment 2) concentrates on activities, uses, and values that expand on existing programs alongside new concepts in which the Province is seeking feedback. When finalized, the broad Strategy will span a 20-year horizon to address future needs, priorities and emerging trends by incorporating 30 policy intentions under the following six policy outcomes:

1. A healthy and productive coast
2. Resilience to climate change
3. Trusting, respectful relationships
4. Holistic learning and knowledge sharing
5. Community well-being
6. A sustainable, thriving ocean economy.

The six outcomes and 30 policy intentions strongly align with many of the City’s objectives listed in the aforementioned strategies, policies and bylaws. Staff have reviewed the Intentions Paper and acknowledge the comprehensiveness of the 30 proposed policy intentions.

The comments complement Richmond's related feedback for the proposed provincial Watershed Security Strategy and BC Flood Strategy that were endorsed in 2022. A summary of staff comments on the proposed strategy are as follows:

1. Future public engagement opportunities, led by the province, should encourage participation of Richmond residents.
2. The Coastal Marine Strategy must be compatible with City and regional objectives to mitigate climate change impacts over the next 100 years and beyond.
3. Future development of the strategy's framework should specifically include the identification, analysis and quantification of threats to the coastal ecosystem.
4. The proposed strategy must align with these efforts so as to complement and improve existing frameworks, including:
 - a. Consideration of the cumulative effects from coastal development;
 - b. Collaboration with local Diking Authorities;
 - c. Establishing a streamlined and coordinated system for more direct and clear lines of communication between all levels of government; and
 - d. The proposed Strategy will require the appropriate level of provincial resources including considerate levels of funding and staffing to support this initiative.
5. A proactive approach from the Province is required to resource and protect these areas from the affects of climate change.
6. Consideration through this strategy is needed to diversify the access to coastal areas for recreation and well-being.

The feedback will guide the development of a draft Coastal Marine Strategy that is expected in the fall of 2023. The City will be offered subsequent opportunities to review and comment on the draft Strategy at that time.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

The Province is developing the BC Coastal Marine Strategy and has prepared the *Coastal Marine Strategy for British Columbia Intentions Paper: Policy Intentions Paper December 2022*, to support their initiative. Staff have reviewed the paper and outlined general feedback for Council's consideration. If endorsed, the comments will be forwarded to the Province to inform a future Draft Coastal Marine Strategy that is expected in mid-2023. Staff will remain engaged on this matter and will provide updates to Council accordingly.



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- Att. 1: Proposed Staff Comments
2: Coastal Marine Strategy for BC Intentions Paper

Staff have reviewed the Intentions Paper and acknowledge the comprehensiveness of the 30 proposed policy intentions. Staff propose the following general comments, for Council endorsement, that considers Richmond's unique perspective and role in coastal management as a series of islands in the Lower Fraser River estuary:

1. Future public engagement opportunities, led by the province, should encourage participation of Richmond residents and provide adequate response times and appropriate access to information.
2. The City has committed to enhancing its flood protection infrastructure to reduce the impacts of climate change. The Coastal Marine Strategy must be compatible with City and regional objectives to mitigate climate change impacts over the next 100 years and beyond. This includes considerations for Richmond and other communities with foreshore flood protection infrastructure including dikes and drainage pump stations, and plan for allowances to facilitate construction, operation and maintenance of this infrastructure.
3. The proposed strategy is currently broad and over-arching. Future development of the strategy's framework should specifically include the identification, analysis and quantification of threats to the coastal ecosystem such as vessel traffic, hardening of shorelines, spill management and migration of pollutants, invasive species and that environmental quality objectives be developed.
4. Including environmental management objectives from upland activities including urban development, agricultural, forestry, mining and oil and gas exploration including associated infrastructure for each that transfers materials and resources from upland activities to marine vessels such as jetties, pipelines and chemical production facilities.
5. There are a number of existing and proposed provincial laws, regulations and policies governing coastal areas in BC. The proposed strategy must align with these efforts so as to complement and improve existing frameworks such as:
 - a. Considering the cumulative effects from coastal development through other means than BC's Environmental Assessment process;
 - b. Collaboration with local Diking Authorities, including local governments, to develop and maintain applicable flood risk management plans and strategies; and
 - c. Establishing a streamlined and coordinated system for more direct and clear lines of communication between all levels of government with jurisdiction over coastal areas including inter-jurisdictional cooperation for significant foreshore rehabilitation projects.
 - d. The requirement to execute, establish and align the existing and proposed provincial laws, regulations and policies governing coastal areas in BC will require the appropriate level of provincial resources including considerate levels of funding and staffing to support this initiative.
6. The existing roles and responsibilities of local governments may vary depending on the location and the size of the administration. Smaller, more remote local governments may not have the adequate resources to protect marine ecosystem and/or enact viable policies and regulations to protect environmentally sensitive areas. A proactive approach from the

Province is required to resource and protect these areas from the affects of climate change.

7. There is a growing desire among local residents to use and access coastlines more sustainably. Consideration through this strategy is needed to diversify the access to coastal areas for recreation and well-being.

A Coastal Marine Strategy for British Columbia



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Acknowledgment

The government of British Columbia acknowledges that our work spans many First Nation territories and Treaty areas, and we are grateful for the knowledge, teachings, and holistic worldviews contained within. These holistic worldviews were, and are, foundational to how First Nations Peoples steward the lands, water, seabed, air, and resources that sustain them, and to which we all now turn to likewise be sustained, thrive, and develop. Through strength and resiliency, the relationship between the ocean and coastal First Nations peoples remains unassailable. First Nations peoples know the coastal marine environment like no others, and they have much to share for the betterment of us all and future generations. The Coastal Marine Strategy Intentions Paper could not have been written without the participation of First Nations people, and the government of British Columbia looks forward to continuing collaboration and furtherance of government-to-government relationships through co-development of the Coastal Marine Strategy. Appreciation is expressed to all contributing authors, reviewers and those who supported the development of this Paper.


Summary

The Province is developing a Coastal Marine Strategy with First Nations that will lay out a plan for addressing priorities for coastal-marine ecosystem health and community well-being. The Coastal Marine Strategy will focus on areas closer to shore, where estuaries, kelp beds, eelgrass meadows, rocky shorelines, and sandy beaches support an abundance and diversity of marine life. These areas are also popular places for people to live, work, collect food, and connect with nature.

Indigenous ethics will provide a foundation for what we do. These ethics, shared with permission from the Nuu-chah-nulth, Haida, and Tsimshian speaking Nations, remind us of the connections between land, water and people, and our collective obligation and responsibility to care for and protect the ocean, and each other.

This Intentions Paper is the first step along the path towards a Coastal Marine Strategy. It presents a vision for protecting the ecological, cultural, and economic benefits provided by the coastal marine environment. The Intentions Paper was informed by First Nations knowledge, western science, existing planning and technical documents, and discussions with provincial staff across government. At a glance, the **6 outcomes** and **30 policy intentions** under consideration are listed below.

We want to hear from you. Your perspectives can help highlight shared concerns and priorities that will inform development of specific objectives, targets, and actions for the Coastal Marine Strategy. We thank you for taking the time to share your ideas.




hišuk ma cáwak^a (everything is one): Everything is connected, everything is one, everything depends on everything else. The well-being of communities is intricately tied to the well-being of the land and sea.

ʔiisaak^a (utmost respect): Respect for mother earth, for people, living things, the ocean. We take only what we need, we give thanks. Everything has a purpose, and that purpose must be respected.

ʼLaa guu ga kanhlins^b (responsibility): We accept the responsibility passed on by our ancestors to manage and care for our sea and land. We will ensure that our heritage is passed on to future generations.


ʔuuʔaʔuk^a (taking care of): Looking after, caring for the sea, the seabed, marine life, the land, our communities, and our people.



Giid tll'juus^b (balance): Balance is needed in our interactions with the natural world. If we aren't careful in everything we do, we can easily reach a point of no return. Our practices and those of others must be sustainable.

Isda ad diigii isda^b (giving and receiving): Reciprocity is essential in our interactions with each other and the natural world. We continually give thanks to the natural world for the gifts received.

syt güülm goot^c (being of one heart): Community-based sharing and distribution of resources from different areas of the territory, between families and lineages, ensures survival and nutritional balance, and sustainable harvest.



A - A HEALTHY AND PRODUCTIVE COAST

A healthy and productive coast that sustains ecosystems with abundant fisheries and marine wildlife is the foundation from which all our other aspirations for the coast evolve. We intend to:

- A-1 Boost efforts to recover wild salmon
- A-2 Monitor coastal ecosystem health
- A-3 Prevent and clean up marine pollution
- A-4 Protect and restore nearshore habitat
- A-5 Help recover southern resident killer whales and other marine species at risk

B - RESILIENCE TO CLIMATE CHANGE

Sea-level rise, coastal erosion, ocean acidification, warming seas, changing ocean currents, extreme weather events and shifting species distributions are impacting ecosystems and communities. We must work together to build resiliency to climate change. We intend to:

- B-1 Keep communities safe from harmful climate risks
- B-2 Support seafood harvesters, producers, and innovators
- B-3 Shift to nature-based solutions for coastal protection
- B-4 Develop an ocean acidification & hypoxia action plan
- B-5 Protect and restore kelp beds, eelgrass meadows, and other blue carbon sinks

C - TRUSTING, RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS

Responsible governance starts with respect: for the natural environment, for the connections between people and place, and for the management and stewardship responsibilities of all parties who share a role in taking care of the ocean. We intend to:

- C-1 Respect and uphold First Nations rights
- C-2 Engage British Columbians in coastal marine management
- C-3 Advance collaborative stewardship
- C-4 Evaluate the need for comprehensive coastal zone legislation

D - HOLISTIC LEARNING AND KNOWLEDGE SHARING

We all share goals for stewardship of coastal marine values. These goals can only be achieved when we co-create and share all forms of knowledge in a respectful way to make decisions. We intend to work in partnership with others to:

- D-1 Weave traditional knowledge with western science
- D-2 Assess the value of the ocean
- D-3 Enhance marine spatial data
- D-4 Improve availability of marine and coastal information

E - COMMUNITY WELL-BEING

The ocean underpins the cultural, social and economic fabric of coastal communities up and down the coast of B.C. These communities are undergoing continuous change, and how well they thrive will depend in part on employment opportunities, adequate coastal infrastructure, access to resources, and good planning. We intend to:

- E-1 Create jobs and support steady, rewarding employment
- E-2 Build a diverse coastal workforce
- E-3 Support First Nations' cultural revitalization and resilience
- E-4 Improve capacity of communities to respond to change
- E-5 Develop and implement marine use plans
- E-6 Improve access to nature, in a respectful way

F - A SUSTAINABLE, THRIVING OCEAN ECONOMY

B.C.'s ocean economy represents about 8% of provincial GDP, with the transportation, tourism and recreation, coastal forestry, and seafood sectors contributing more than \$17B. Emerging sectors, like the conservation-based economy, hold great promise. Realizing the full potential of the ocean demands responsible, sustainable approaches. We intend to:

- F-1 Invest in a diverse coastal and marine economy
- F-2 Co-develop enduring fiscal relations with First Nations governments
- F-3 Support the marine fisheries economy
- F-4 Advance sustainable aquaculture
- F-5 Support regenerative marine tourism
- F-6 Manage cumulative effects

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Minister's Message

British Columbia's western border meets the Pacific Ocean – and at this nexus are the islands, bays, inlets, fiords and estuaries central to our coastal landscape and our cultural fabric. Half of First Nations in B.C. and nearly three-quarters of people in this province live close to the coast. But for all of us, including those who live in the interior like myself, the ocean is integral to our health and well-being. It produces most of the oxygen we breathe, absorbs carbon dioxide, and helps regulate our climate and weather. The ocean takes us places, and the goods we buy and sell are transported on its waters. The ocean provides jobs in both rural and urban centres, offers food for our tables and is a place to recreate, relax and recharge. Our coastal marine environment is a unique home to thousands of plant and animal species, and attracts visitors from all over the world.

British Columbia is one of the few maritime jurisdictions in North America without a comprehensive coastal marine strategy. As we face increasing challenges from climate change, including warming and rising seas, it's incumbent on us to develop a way forward that builds ecosystem and community resilience. We are committed to developing B.C.'s first ever Coastal Marine Strategy to set priority actions to improve the health and stewardship of coastal marine environments, adapt to climate change, nurture a sustainable economy, and advance reconciliation with First Nations. Co-developed with coastal First Nations, this Intentions Paper sets out a vision for what that strategy should focus on and why.

The Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship was formed in February 2022 to take a holistic approach to stewarding natural resources, building sustainable economies, and advancing reconciliation with First Nations. With a renewed mandate from Premier David Eby, we'll continue to transform the stewardship of B.C. waters, lands and resources in partnership with First Nations, including work on wild salmon recovery, healthy watersheds, and co-development of the Coastal Marine Strategy.

A Coastal Marine Strategy will guide us for the next two decades – it needs to reflect the priorities and values of British Columbians.

I encourage you to read this Intentions Paper, to reflect on what you want to see in a Coastal Marine Strategy, and to provide your feedback to us [GovTogetherBC](https://www.gov.bc.ca/govtogetherbc).

NATHAN CULLEN
Minister of Water, Land and Resource
Stewardship



Introduction

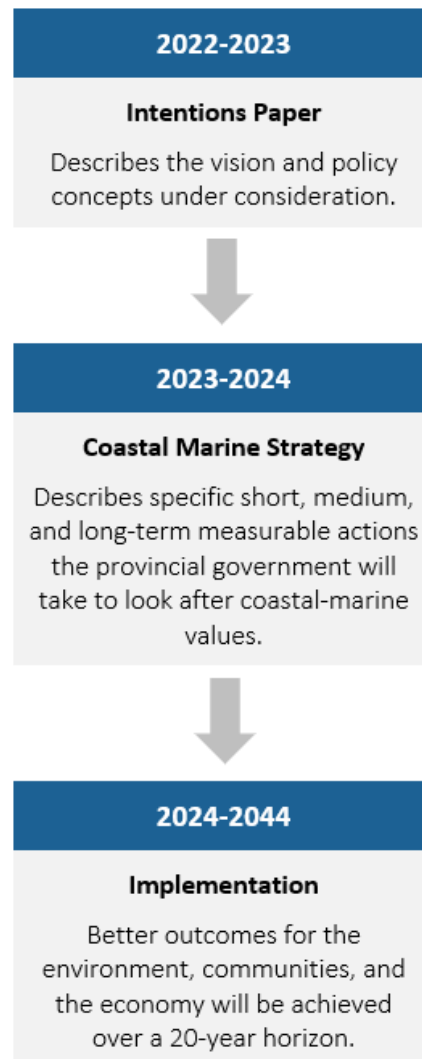
The marine waters surrounding British Columbia are home to an impressive diversity of animals and plants, many of which are found only here. The Province's islands, bays, inlets and estuaries are central to our coastal landscape and cultural fabric. The coastal marine environment is vital to our health and well-being, and we must make sure it is cared for so that future generations can enjoy the enormous benefits it provides.

The Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship (the Ministry) is developing a Coastal Marine Strategy with First Nations whose identified territories include the marine environment. Together, we will set out a shared vision for healthy coastal marine ecosystems, community well-being, and a sustainable ocean economy.

The Coastal Marine Strategy will concentrate on activities, uses, and values that the Province of British Columbia is accountable for, while recognizing that we need strong collaboration and cooperation with other orders of government who share responsibility. The actions proposed in the Coastal Marine Strategy will expand on existing programs and initiatives and present new ideas and concepts. It will span a 20-year horizon, reflecting on where we are today, and address future needs, priorities and emerging trends. In developing the Coastal Marine Strategy, we will draw together expertise from within and outside governments.

We are in the early stages of policy development that begins with release of this Intentions Paper - a critical phase in developing British Columbia's first Province-wide coastal marine strategy and the beginning of our formal engagement with you.

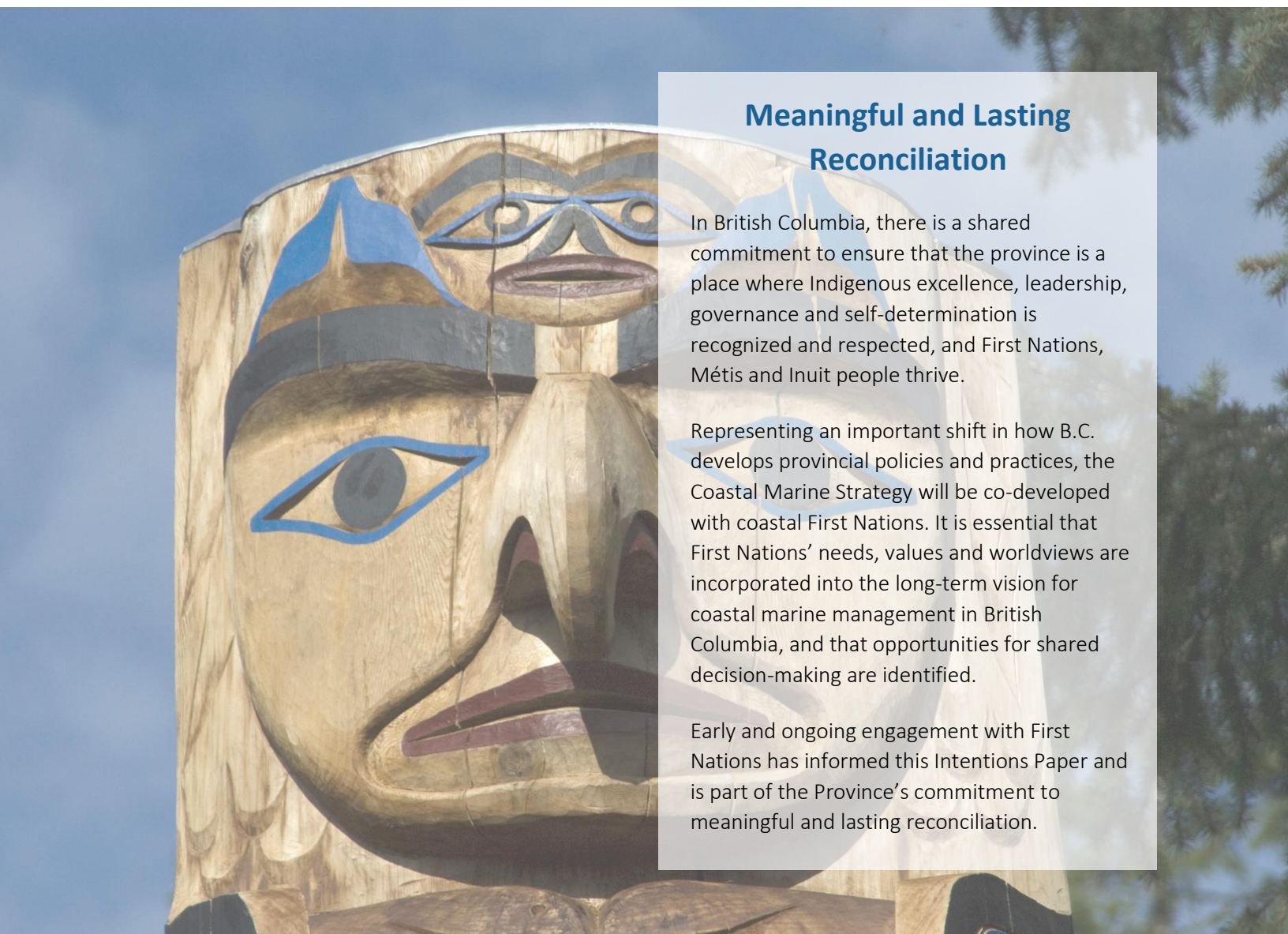
The Intentions Paper outlines what we want to do and why. It describes the collaborative process adopted to engage coastal First Nations in identifying key strategic issues that should be addressed in the Coastal Marine Strategy. First Nations ethics and values, which are fundamental to their image of the world, serve as guiding principles. They help remind us of the connections between land, water and people, and our collective obligation and responsibilities around stewardship.



As you read and consider this Intentions Paper, you will note that it does not attempt to identify specific projects, programs, or prescribed approaches to implementation of the Coastal Marine Strategy. These will take shape as the Coastal Marine Strategy is developed. There will be additional opportunities to comment on the Coastal Marine Strategy, particularly when a draft is completed around in 2024. In the meantime, we urge you to read this Intentions Paper and contribute your knowledge, insights

and observations. Visit [GovTogetherBC](#) for ways to provide feedback. We are particularly keen to receive feedback on areas of strategic focus including:

- The vision and outcome statements that will define the framework of the Coastal Marine Strategy;
- The priority opportunities and challenges the Coastal Marine Strategy should address.



Meaningful and Lasting Reconciliation

In British Columbia, there is a shared commitment to ensure that the province is a place where Indigenous excellence, leadership, governance and self-determination is recognized and respected, and First Nations, Métis and Inuit people thrive.

Representing an important shift in how B.C. develops provincial policies and practices, the Coastal Marine Strategy will be co-developed with coastal First Nations. It is essential that First Nations' needs, values and worldviews are incorporated into the long-term vision for coastal marine management in British Columbia, and that opportunities for shared decision-making are identified.

Early and ongoing engagement with First Nations has informed this Intentions Paper and is part of the Province's commitment to meaningful and lasting reconciliation.

What is the Coastal Marine Environment?

British Columbia has an extensive 26,000-kilometre coastline that supports a diversity of ecosystems ranging from lush kelp forests and seagrass meadows to rocky intertidal shores. These ecosystems are home to many plants and animals, including seaweeds, invertebrates, fishes, migratory birds, and marine mammals. The species that live here, like wild Pacific salmon and killer whales, form part of our collective identity. They are woven into the culture, histories and economies of communities throughout British Columbia.

The coastal marine environment is arguably one of the most complex environments because terrestrial, marine, and atmospheric processes all interact in shaping it.¹ The physical shorelines in British Columbia are extremely diverse, and include sandy beaches, rocky headlands and reefs, and river deltas. The connections between life on land and life in the ocean are strong. The

Fraser, Skeena, and the Nass river watersheds bring fresh water and minerals into the Pacific Ocean, together with hundreds of other rivers in the Province. Animals that rely on both terrestrial and marine habitats for feeding, breeding, rearing, resting, or migrating include five species of wild salmon, grizzly bears, wolves, marbled murrelets, and puffins.

The Coastal Marine Strategy for British Columbia will focus on the coastal waters from the Alaskan border south to the Washington State border (see Figure 1; the dark blue area illustrates the coastal environment for the purposes of the Strategy). When we refer to the coastal marine environment, we are talking about the transition area that connects the open ocean with the coastline and terrestrial watersheds – the intertidal zone, tidal wetlands, estuaries, bays, inlets, fjords, straits, channels, island archipelagos, shallow near-shore waters, pocket coves, and near-shore reef systems.



Figure 1: Map of the coastal marine waters of British Columbia



Our Shared Challenges and Opportunities

The Pacific Ocean is essential to the culture, economy, and identity of British Columbians. Three-quarters of the population live in the coastal zone. The ocean moderates the weather and provides important transportation, economic, and recreational opportunities. The ocean-based economy is over \$21 billion (about 8% of the province's gross domestic product) and directly employs 131,000 people full-time². The marine-based tourism and recreation industry alone generates over \$5 billion every year. Commercial fishing, coastal forestry, and marine transportation are other key marine industries driving economic prosperity in the Province.

First Nations have a deep-rooted relationship with the ocean that has existed since time immemorial. More than half of First Nations in B.C. have identified territories that include a marine component. At their core, they are water people.

Coastal First Nations govern according to their rights, traditional laws, ethics, values, and teachings (Appendix 1). Marine animals, plants, and ecosystems are vital to First Nations identities, cultures, languages, communities, economies, and knowledge systems³. For coastal First Nations, the ocean is the primary source of healthy food for community members and is the highway that keeps people in touch with relatives and neighbours.

The future of British Columbia is interwoven with the health of the ocean. Rising ocean

temperatures, acidic waters, pollution, habitat loss, shifts in species distribution, and declining fish and wildlife populations are all signals that we need to do more to ensure that future generations can enjoy the benefits we enjoy today. We need to reduce the pressures that threaten marine life, community well-being, and economic stability.

Coastal marine management currently relies on a patchwork of regulations and laws overseen by different orders of government (Table 3). For example, the Province is responsible for managing and authorizing activities and uses that require access to the seabed and/or the coastline, such as aquaculture, clean energy, docks and wharves, log handling sites, and underwater utilities.

The B.C. government is also accountable for land use planning and management (e.g., parks and protected areas), environmental assessments for large projects, seafood development, and aquatic plant harvesting. Habitat conservation and restoration, monitoring, and emergency management are some of the ways B.C. takes care of the coastal marine environment. Federal departments manage fisheries, transportation, species at risk, and maritime safety. First Nations apply traditional knowledge, ethics, values, and systems of governance to guide how communities interact with the environment. Appendix 2 provides a more fulsome description of how governments, stakeholders, research institutions, and academia contribute to stewardship of the marine environment in B.C.

Table 1: Stewardship Responsibilities

Federal Government	Provincial Government	Indigenous Governments	Local Government
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fishing • Shipping • Navigation • Oil spills • Search & rescue • Migratory birds • Environmental assessments • Protected areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tenures over seabed • Tourism and recreation licensing • Seafood safety • Marine spatial plans • Protected areas • Aquatic plants • Flood management • Heritage conservation • Protected areas 	<p>Exercise systems of governance, and stewardship practices through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indigenous law • Treaties • Constitution Act Section 35 • Ethics and values 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zoning (e.g., regulating shoreline development) • Permits

British Columbia is one of a few coastal jurisdictions in North America *without* a comprehensive coastal and marine strategy.⁴ Over the past decade, there has been significant interest by the Province, First Nations, local governments, stakeholders, and the public in the development of a cohesive and comprehensive provincial strategy to better govern and protect coastal and marine values. There are regional-specific plans and policies that provide guidance for coastal marine management. For example, on the north coast of British Columbia the implementation of the Regional Action Framework and sub-regional marine plans developed under the Marine Plan Partnership for the North Pacific Coast (MaPP)⁵

support better outcomes for ecosystems, communities, and the economy. However, there is no overarching, made-in-B.C. policy that sets out a coast-wide vision for the future.

In 2020, the B.C. government committed to developing a Coastal Marine Strategy that articulates priorities and lays out actions to improve the health and stewardship of coastal marine environments, mitigate and adapt to climate change, nurture a sustainable “blue economy,” foster resilience in coastal communities, and create opportunities to advance reconciliation with First Nations. This Intentions Paper is a first step towards fulfilling this promise.



How We Got Here

As part of its commitment to co-develop a Coastal Marine Strategy with First Nations, the B.C. government recognizes that *co-development* means that the process is as important as the product, and that collaboration is needed from conception through to implementation. The relationships we build together will set the foundation for developing and implementing the Coastal Marine Strategy.

The Province has worked with some First Nations leadership and technical staff to frame the process and to draft this Intentions Paper. In December 2021, the B.C. government invited 95 coastal First Nations to a series of meetings to discuss the future of ocean management in B.C. and to present the opportunity for co-development. The conversation started with the distribution of an online survey and a series of dialogue sessions with elected and hereditary leadership.

These early discussions were built upon in a series of technical sessions with First Nations staff in various stewardship roles. Participation by Nations varied depending on the nature of existing relationships and governance arrangements. For example, First Nations involved in MaPP worked through their governance structures to identify shared interests and recommendations for ocean management. The Province met with eight modern treaty Nations separately, and the First Nations Fisheries Council of B.C. facilitated discussions with Nations that reside primarily on Vancouver Island and the southern mainland. A “What We Heard” report was developed from these sessions that outlines the key points of discussion under specific themes, as well as recommendations developed on how First

Nations and the Province may collaboratively move forward.

Following early engagement, a team of First Nations and Ministry staff was established to co-write the Intentions Paper. Co-writing this paper helps to ensure that knowledge brought forward is articulated in an authentic way, with the Province and First Nations sharing control over its narrative and content. This collaborative approach is guided by commitments made through the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP)⁶ and the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action⁷, and is part of a broader shift away from status-quo practices that have limited the inclusion of Aboriginal rights-holder perspectives in policy development and played a significant role in reinforcing colonial power dynamics. It helps recognize the thousands of years of First Nations economic activity, knowledge (modern and traditional), traditions, and culture that have evolved with the ocean. It also provides an opportunity to develop partnerships that establish holistic, equitable, and sustainable governance structures and processes for bringing healing and achieving the overarching goals of fostering resilient ecosystems and communities.

Preparation of this Intentions Paper also involved a review of relevant First Nations, provincial government, federal government, stakeholder, and local government policies, plans, and positions (Appendix 3). Reviews of consultation reports prepared for other initiatives were also helpful and provided a way to honour the knowledge and perspectives that have already been shared.

Vision For The Future

As stewards of coastal ecosystems on behalf of current and future generations, we aim to nurture healthy and productive ecosystems. We will manage them together in a good way to support sustainable prosperity and human health and well-being, while investing back into the ecosystems that sustain us all.

The key elements of this vision, which was jointly created by the Ministry and coastal First Nations, are ecosystem health, good management, and prosperity (Figure 2). They offer an overarching framework for the Coastal Marine Strategy. The next section describes these outcomes and proposed policy intentions in some detail.

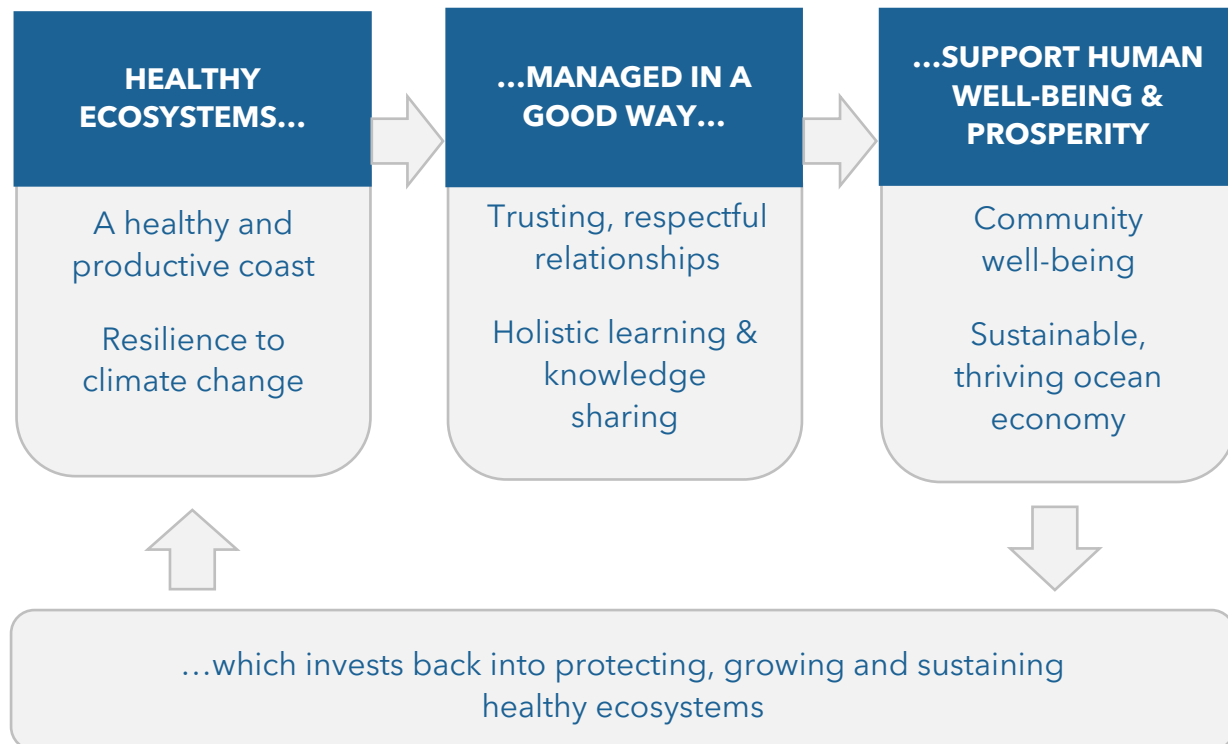


Figure 2: Elements of a Coastal Marine Strategy Vision

A. A HEALTHY AND PRODUCTIVE COAST

A healthy and productive coast that sustains abundant fisheries and marine wildlife is the foundation from which all our other aspirations for the coast evolve. Healthy and biodiverse coastal marine ecosystems are stable, vibrant, and full of life, predictably deliver a range of benefits to people, and are resilient to change⁸. Ecosystems and species send signals when things aren't functioning "normally," and these signals help us understand when we need to take corrective action. Examples of serious warning signs include low ocean oxygen levels or "dead zones," sudden die-offs of animals, seafood harvesting closures, barren kelp forests, high toxin loads in killer whales, smaller and smaller fish, and plastic patches riding ocean currents. In British Columbia, where population density and development pressures are lower compared to other coastal jurisdictions around the world, the general state of B.C.'s marine waters are relatively healthy; however, there are several areas of concern along with significant opportunities for improvement.⁹ In collaboration with First Nations, the federal government, stewardship organizations, and stakeholders, the Province will take stronger action to keep the coast abundant and productive.

POLICY INTENTIONS

A-1: Boost efforts to recover wild salmon: The overall abundance of wild Pacific salmon and steelhead has declined since the 1950s.¹⁰ Wild salmon have shown average declines of 20–45% on the north and central coasts, while sockeye has declined by 43% and chum by 14% in southern B.C.¹¹ Wild salmon declines have been attributed to a variety of factors, including poor marine survival rates, changing ocean conditions from climate change, water

quality/quantity, harvesting, predation, aquaculture, industrial use in nearshore environments, and land use decisions that have impacted salmon-spawning watersheds (e.g., riparian areas).

Wild salmon are a foundation species, and their declines have cascading effects for animals and people across the coast. For many First Nations, wild salmon are irreplaceable and core to their identities and ways of life. They are integral to family structures, community cohesion, gatherings and ceremonies, and practices of giving, trading, and sharing. Wild salmon are needed for food and economic security, for sustaining human and ecosystem health, and for teaching traditions and cultural practices.¹²

Recommendations from the Wild Salmon Advisory Council (WSAC) led to the launch of the [B.C. Salmon Restoration and Innovation Fund](#) (BCSRIF), in partnership with the federal government. Since its inception in 2019, Phase 1 of BCSRIF funded 97 projects totalling over \$126 million. Projects include restoration of freshwater and marine habitats, kelp production, modernizing catch monitoring and reporting, invasive green crab control, forage fish assessments, climate action planning, and cumulative effects modeling. BCSRIF also funded an Indigenous Monitoring and Inspection Program that monitors and oversees operations at salmon farms in the Broughton Archipelago. In August 2022, B.C. and Canada announced a doubling of BCSRIF and an extension of the program to 2026, bringing the total amount committed to \$285.7 million. Also stemming from WSAC recommendations include updates to the *Riparian Areas Protection Regulation*. The Province will continue to implement WSAC recommendations and develop and implement new strategies with First Nations, the federal



government, and stakeholders to protect and revitalize wild salmon populations.

A-2: Monitor coastal ecosystem health: Kelp forests, eelgrass meadows, rocky shores and other critical nearshore habitats are hotspots for biodiversity. They are also popular places for people to collect food, work, and connect with nature. Monitoring these sensitive nearshore environments is essential. Investments in monitoring allow us to acquire baseline information, which in turn allows us to document changes and understand what's driving them. In several parts of British Columbia, inventory projects led by First Nations, stewardship organizations, academic institutions, and/or the B.C. government, have greatly improved our understanding of the

abundance and distribution of these habitats and their resilience to climate change, stress and disturbance.

To help keep coastal communities, economies, and ecosystems healthy, we must keep track of how coastal areas are changing. From tracking contaminants in the water and the spread of alien invasive species, to monitoring sea-level rise and surveying the coastline, observations help us all make the best decisions for coastal communities and for the environment. Careful and consistent observation, along with conservation targets and indicators of ecosystem health, is critical for responsible stewardship of the coastal marine environment.

In many parts of the coast, First Nations are the eyes and ears on the water. Through First

Nations-led programs such as Guardians, Watchmen, and stewardship officers, First Nations engage at a local level with communities in conversations about conservation and responsible use, and work to engage with the provincial, federal and local governments to improve management decisions. They observe and record changes in the health of habitats and the coastal species that rely on them, such as whales, grizzly bears, herring, and wild salmon.

First Nations-led monitoring systems have a strong record of success in British Columbia. Given the chance, they can do more. Additional training programs co-developed with First Nations are needed, and stable, predictable funding is required to build and maintain program capacity. To empower First Nations stewardship, the Province will explore delegating ecosystem monitoring roles and responsibilities to interested coastal First Nations, and seek to establish longer term funding support mechanisms, such as community-benefit sharing agreements. We will partner with First Nations to weave Indigenous knowledge and western science together to paint a picture of historical conditions against which we can establish trends that inform management decisions.

The B.C. government will look for opportunities to shore up provincial monitoring of habitats critical for maintaining biodiversity. B.C. will continue to work with the federal government, First Nations, and stakeholders to develop and implement a robust program to monitor the ecological and socio-economic benefits of protected areas in the marine environment. We will continue to work with non-governmental stewardship organizations to monitor the effects of climate change in nearshore ecosystems, trace the spread of nearshore alien invasive species (e.g., *Spartina*), and strengthen our efforts to observe and understand ocean acidification.

A-3: Prevent and clean up marine pollution:

Marine and coastal pollution is a growing problem with negative impacts on marine life and human health and safety. Common forms of pollution include polystyrene foam (like Styrofoam), fishing gear, industrial waste, derelict infrastructure, runoff from agricultural land, sewage, chronic “mystery” spills, log-handling debris, underwater noise, abandoned boats, and single-use plastics. Microplastic pollution continues to attract public attention. Microplastics are now pervasive in the ocean system, posing threats to people and wildlife. Once in the environment, they are consumed by marine animals and passed from prey to predator and, eventually, humans. They have been found in salmon, tuna, halibut and oysters.

The Province, in collaboration with First Nations and the federal government are taking action to prevent, clean up, and monitor pollution. Some highlights include:

- The Clean Coast, Clean Waters Initiative has funded the removal of over 100 derelict vessels and over 1,000 tonnes of marine debris and plastics from the B.C. coastline since 2020.
- The Clean B.C. Plastics Action Plan is working to reduce and/or eliminate certain single-use and plastic items from waste streams and to create a new regulation that would further reduce single-use plastics pollution. Through the CleanBC Plastics Action Fund, the Province is dedicating funds to projects that will reduce the use of new plastic, expand reuse of plastics, and increase the use of post-consumer recycled plastic.
- B.C. has partnered with the federal [Fisheries and Aquaculture Clean Technology Adaptation Program](#) to work with private companies and non-profits to replace expanded polystyrene marine floats

with environmentally friendly alternatives such as air-filled or pouch systems.

- The Tsleil-Waututh Nation and Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy (Ministry of ENV) approved a set of water quality objectives in 2021, for the marine waters of Burrard Inlet. Benchmarks inform the management of water quality for protecting human consumption of shellfish, human consumption of finfish, aquatic life, wildlife, cultural practices, recreational uses, and institutional uses.
- The Ministry of ENV oversees an Environmental Emergency Program to prepare for, and respond to, spills of hazardous materials and substances. As part of that program, the Province has developed a [B.C. Marine Oil Spill Response Plan](#) for coastal marine and estuarine waters. B.C. takes an active leadership and participatory role in coastal resource identification and protection and cleanup

of the inter-tidal shoreline and the seabed in the event of an oil spill.

- The Ministry of ENV is developing a [Public Interest Bonding Strategy](#) aimed at ensuring that owners of industrial projects pay the full cost of environmental clean-up and reclamation - even if their projects are abandoned.
- Clean up of hazardous waste from an abandoned cannery and fish processing facility at Namu near Bella Bella in the Central Coast has begun. Restoration of this site – which is culturally important to the Heiltsuk Nation, was identified as a priority in the MaPP Central Coast Marine Plan. Full restoration of Namu will require further investments¹³.
- Under the [Fisheries and Aquaculture Clean Technology Adoption Program](#), the Ministry of ENV is partnering with the B.C. Shellfish Growers Association to set up a foam billet replacement project to address old foam



docks, a common source of plastic pollution in the marine environment.

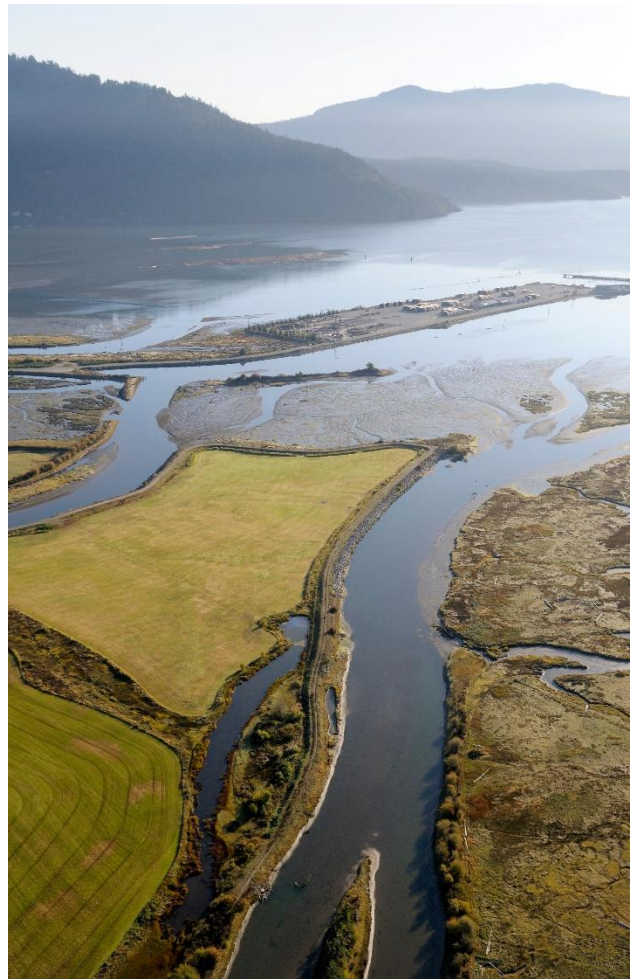
- Agricultural runoff is a significant ecological problem for many coastal zones around the world, where the increase in nutrients creates harmful algal blooms, zones of hypoxia or anoxia, and loss of biodiversity.¹⁴ To reduce the risk of environmental impacts from agricultural operations, in February 2019, the Province amended the [Code of Practice for Agricultural Environmental Management](#). Changes include minimum setbacks from watercourses; proper storage and use of manure and other nutrient sources; the prevention of water quality impacts from contaminated run-off; the prohibition of direct discharges to water, and; nutrient management planning.
- In 2021, the Ministry of ENV released updated [water quality guidelines](#) for aquatic life, wildlife and agriculture. The guidelines use the best available science to aid in the management of water resources. Clean water from streams and rivers that flow into estuaries is essential for maintaining healthy coastal ecosystems.

The Province will continue to collaborate with First Nations, local government, the federal government, industry, non-governmental organizations, and scientists to prevent and clean up marine pollution. We intend to work with others to raise awareness and change consumption behaviours, address local concerns around outflow and contaminants from historical industrial uses (e.g., mines, forestry operations), support development of better dock materials and construction practices, and accelerate technology and innovation to reduce and clean up plastic pollution. Additional coastal cleanups of plastics and other debris, as well as further action to address derelict and abandoned boats in the intertidal zone, are

other actions the Province can take in partnership with others. We will also explore the need for better infrastructure along the coast to provide a place for boats to take marine debris for safe disposal and recycling on land.

A-4: Protect and restore nearshore habitat:

Biologically rich and highly productive coastal habitats, such as kelp forests, estuaries, and seagrass meadows, are critical. They are migrating, feeding, breeding, and sheltering grounds for hundreds of unique species. They cycle nutrients, offer protection from erosion and storms, store carbon dioxide, and offer opportunities to appreciate and understand nature. These important habitats are at risk from climate change and the cumulative effects of human use, but fortunately, they can respond



well to management intervention. Through partnerships and collaboration with First Nations, federal and local governments, stewardship organizations, and stakeholders, the B.C. government intends to:

- A-4-1 Characterize the status of estuaries, seagrass meadows, salt marshes, kelp forests and their associated ecosystem values.
- A-4-2 Prioritize protection and/or restoration of habitats identified as having high ecological and cultural value (e.g., habitats important for Pacific wild salmon).
- A-4-3 Boost support for stewardship initiatives aimed at protecting, restoring, or monitoring nearshore habitats (e.g., projects funded through [BCSRIF](#), [MaPP's regional kelp monitoring](#) initiative, B.C. Parks seagrass and kelp monitoring and restoration projects, North Island University's research on [kelp habitat banks](#)).

A-4-4 Improve alignment of nearshore habitat restoration and protection with watershed restoration plans and the [Watershed Security Strategy and Fund](#).

A-4-5 Prevent further loss of habitat from shoreline armoring by incentivizing the use of natural marine shoreline design guidelines (e.g., [Green Shores](#)).

A-4-6 Complete and implement the first ever marine protected area (MPA) network in Canada with 17 partner First Nations and the federal government.

A-4-7 Plan, establish, and manage MPAs in a way that delivers local benefits and that advances implementation of the UNDRIP.

A-4-8 Explore innovative protected-area models including the designation of Indigenous Protected and Conserved Areas, in collaboration with interested First Nations and the federal government.



A-5: Help recover resident killer whales and other marine species at risk:

The Province works with the federal government to coordinate recovery of species listed under the federal *Species At Risk Act (SARA)*. There are a number of marine species found on the coast of British Columbia that are endangered, threatened, or of special concern including Northern abalone, Olympia oysters, eulachon, several rockfish species¹⁵, and northern and southern resident killer whales.

Northern and southern resident killer whales are emblematic of B.C. and the people who live here, but they are in trouble. From a population of around 200 whales in the 1940s and 100 whales in the mid-1990s, the southern resident killer whale population now stands at just 75.¹⁶ As they travel the waters of the Salish Sea, they struggle to find enough salmon to eat and are vulnerable to contaminants, boat disturbance, and noise pollution.

Northern and southern resident killer whales were SARA listed in 2003, as threatened and

endangered, respectively. Canada approved an action plan in 2017 and an amended recovery strategy for these whales in 2018.¹⁷ Since then, the federal government has acted to restore chinook salmon (these whales' preferred prey), reduce noise and vessel speed in areas designated as critical habitat, reduce the threat of contaminants, monitor whale presence and activity, and educate people about how they can help protect the whales. As partners in the Killer Whale Task Force and participants in the federal government-led whale technical working groups that include First Nations, other federal departments, and the state of Washington, the Province remains committed to doing its part to recover these charismatic top predators. We will continue to provide sound information and appropriate measures for the conservation and protection of other marine species at risk, consistent with our commitments in the *Accord for the Protection of Species at Risk*.¹⁸ Working together at federal, provincial, and local levels is essential to protect at-risk species, their habitats and biodiversity overall.



B. RESILIENCE TO CLIMATE CHANGE

The climate is changing. Sea levels are fluctuating, and sea surface temperatures are rising. Ocean waters are becoming more acidic while carrying less oxygen. Wind and precipitation patterns are more variable, and droughts, floods, and other extreme weather events are occurring more frequently. These shifts in climate are impacting marine life and people.

Communities and businesses across B.C. will experience the effects of climate change differently. First Nations and coastal communities are disproportionately affected since their cultures, livelihoods, and food security are intertwined with the ocean. Damage to, disappearance of, or loss of access to sacred and cultural sites, food gathering areas, and coastal access routes due to extreme weather events and rising sea levels are matters of deep concern to coastal First Nations, as are changes in quantity, quality, and timing of harvested foods.

As climate changes, marine species and habitats respond differently. There is also variability in how the *same* species and habitats respond in different parts of the coast. Underwater kelp forests, for instance, are one of the main habitats threatened by warming sea temperatures, as kelp thrives in cooler waters. Kelp in inner coastal waters suffered more from recent heat events than kelp in cooler, deeper outer waters farther from shore.¹⁹

Work is underway to prepare for climate change. In May 2022, the Province released the *CleanBC Roadmap to 2030* and the *Climate Preparedness and Adaptation Strategy*.²⁰ Together, these documents lay out a clear plan to achieve 100% of provincial emissions targets and help address sources of climate change

while preparing us for its impacts. The *Climate Preparedness and Adaptation Strategy* outlines actions to take place from 2022-25 and is supported by more than \$500 million. It is part of a broader suite of investments from Budget 2022 totalling more than \$2.1 billion allocated to support people and communities recover from recent disasters and prepare for future climate impacts.

In November 2022, the federal government released Canada's first national Adaptation Action Plan that outlines federal adaptation objectives and targets to address immediate and future climate risks to Canada.²¹ Federal funding totalling \$8 billion will be spent on five priority areas of [Canada's National Adaptation Strategy](#):

1. Improving health and well-being
2. Building and maintaining resilient public infrastructure
3. Protecting and restoring nature and biodiversity
4. Supporting the economy and workers
5. Reducing the impacts of climate-related disasters

The B.C. First Nations Leadership Council developed a *Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan* that sets priorities for First Nations' climate action and resilience.²² Additionally, many municipalities, regional districts, and First Nations have climate action strategies that align with federal and provincial initiatives and policy directives. Yet, we need to do more, because the impacts of climate change are expected to become more severe over the coming decades. We must work together to protect sensitive marine ecosystems and coastal communities exposed to climate change impacts in an inclusive, equitable, and holistic way.

POLICY INTENTIONS

B-1: Keep communities safe from harmful climate change impacts: Communities are the first line of response to severe weather events and disasters and play a critical role in applying policies and strategies to help prevent and manage climate risks. While some impacts of climate change will affect all communities, other changes pose different levels of risk based on where we live. At the same time, the needs and capacities of rural, remote, and coastal communities are different from those of urban centres.

In 2019, MaPP released an assessment of projected climate changes, sectoral impacts, and recommendations for adaptation strategies across the North Pacific Coast.²³ The report emphasized the uncertainty surrounding global climate change projections for coastal regions, and the associated vulnerabilities and risks. This uncertainty is attributed to limited access to reliable and continuous data sources and the unpredictability of humans and their actions. According to the authors, improved climate projections and finer scale vulnerability and risk assessments would improve integrated coastal decision making and planning, in turn supporting healthy coastal communities and economies.²⁴

The Province, in partnership with First Nations, and federal and local governments will continue to expand a collective understanding of climate risks to coastal communities, ecosystems, and economies with ongoing investments in research, modeling, and monitoring. We will help provide the information needed to develop and update regional climate action plans in response to monitoring data and scientific advice. Climate action plans can help incorporate climate change vulnerability and adaptation considerations into marine spatial

plans, economic development plans, official community plans, and zoning bylaws that can help keep many forms of development out of at-risk shorelines. We will also work with the federal government to support the development of better short-range and long-range forecasting and early warning systems for climate change stressors such as extreme weather events and storm surges.

B-2: Support seafood harvesters, producers, and innovators: Food and climate change are closely linked. Climate change can affect food availability, access and use, leading to food insecurity. We are already experiencing these challenges in British Columbia. Record temperatures during 2021's dangerous heatwave caused a mass die-off of marine animals such as sea snails, sea stars, clams, and mussels – possibly as many as a billion animals.²⁵ The average sea surface temperature has risen by 0.7°C, and this persistent, higher than normal ocean temperature stresses species that depend on colder water, such as kelp and salmon.²⁶ Higher ocean temperatures combined with low, unusually warm rivers pose a dual threat to wild salmon.

Ongoing ocean acidification is having “osteoporosis-like” effects on shellfish, making it hard for them to build and maintain shells. Falling oxygen levels (deoxygenation) are affecting commercial fish species by reducing high quality fish habitat – most fish prefer oxygen-rich waters. Oxygen levels in the waters of the North Pacific have declined by 15% over the last 60 years.²⁷ A period of severe hypoxia (unusually low levels of oxygen in the water) in the Saanich Inlet from 2015 to 2017, led to the absence of spot prawn and other commercial shrimp species.²⁸ Aquaculture operations for vulnerable species, such as Dungeness crab and spot prawns, are also affected by deoxygenation.



Sometimes marine life shifts in response to changing ocean conditions, perhaps to deeper waters or towards other shores, changing where seafood can be harvested. Some hypoxia tolerant species (e.g., some squid, jellyfish) may increase in abundance and/or distribution, potentially outcompeting less tolerant species (e.g., finfish).²⁹ These shifts can create new opportunities for seafood development. For example, Humboldt squid are now a common sighting in the waters surrounding Vancouver Island, but 20 years ago, these giant squid were unheard of in Canadian waters.³⁰

Ocean food collection and production must adapt to a changing climate to meet local, provincial, and national needs for nutrition, food security, and jobs. Seafood harvesters and producers need more support to better anticipate and adapt to the impacts of ocean acidification, ocean warming, deoxygenation, and heatwaves. We intend to work with First Nations, the federal government, research institutions, and industry to enhance our understanding of when, where, and how marine resources are changing. Harvesters and

producers can then take advantage of future opportunities, and we can increase the resilience of fishing and seafood farming communities. The Province can support a transition away from severely impacted fisheries and aquaculture species to more resilient species. We can also work with the federal government and industry to support the use of technology and technological innovation to improve productivity and profitability.

B-3: Develop an ocean acidification and hypoxia plan:

Ocean acidification is a global problem with local impacts that threaten industries such as crab fisheries and shellfish aquaculture. We need to assess risks to species, communities, archaeological sites, and economies, and work together to adapt. The Province is developing an ocean acidification and hypoxia plan to determine the state of knowledge related to ocean acidification and hypoxia in coastal waters. The plan will include addressing knowledge gaps and developing adaptation and mitigation strategies to support the fisheries and aquaculture sectors, including food-fish harvesters.

As a member of the International Alliance to Combat Ocean Acidification,³¹ the B.C. government will continue, in partnership with the other governments and academia, to address ocean acidification and hypoxia and to strengthen nearshore monitoring to better understand and predict conditions and seek adaptive measures.

B-4: Shift to nature-based solutions to coastal protection:

Extreme storms and shifting wave patterns combined with sea-level rise increase coastal erosion and pose risks to coastal infrastructure. Property owners often attempt to stabilize coastal land and protect residential and commercial infrastructure along the coast by building seawalls, breakwaters, riprap, and other armoring structures to hold back the sea and prevent the loss of sediment. These structures are costly to build and maintain, they degrade over time, and disrupt natural shoreline processes.

Many shoreline protection systems in place today were not designed with the thought of protecting infrastructure and communities from climate change risks.³² Nature-based solutions that rely on existing or enhanced coastal landscapes can help improve climate change resiliency by reducing impacts from hazards such as rising sea levels, storm surge, and “nuisance” flooding (such as high tide or windblown flooding). Nature-based solutions are cost effective, prevent pollution, attract and sustain marine life, add recreational benefits, and increase property values.³³ Examples of nature-based solutions include living shorelines (e.g., native beach grass and sedges), wetland and estuary restoration, and green infrastructure for stormwater management.

Local governments across coastal B.C. are increasingly exploring the use of nature-based solutions. For example, Cowichan Valley’s



official community plan outlines the use of soft shoreline protection tools for enhancing shellfish harvesting and protecting properties from climate change impacts, while the city of Campbell River is actively replacing hard armouring with soft alternatives.³⁴ The B.C. government can work with First Nations, local governments, business, and stewardship organizations to help make the shift towards relying on nature-based solutions to improve climate change preparedness and adaptation. We intend to help raise awareness, support development of shoreline management plans, and continue to replace armoured shorelines in provincial marine parks and protected areas with soft, natural ones.

B-5: Protect and restore kelp, eelgrass meadows, and other blue carbon sinks:

Nearshore ecosystems such as eelgrass meadows, kelp beds, and salt marshes play a

valuable role in climate change mitigation. They can absorb significant carbon from the atmosphere and can protect the coastline from erosion, storms, and flooding.³⁵ Prioritizing protection and restoration of these nearshore ecosystems can help build resilience to climate change.

We intend to expand on recent work that has identified localized climate refugia in marine and coastal systems, and incorporate these areas into marine spatial planning, protection, and conservation strategies (e.g., MPA network planning, MaPP plans, marine spatial planning in the south coast). We will also review provincial policies to identify where improvements can be made to address protection and management of blue carbon habitats in addition to working with federal partners to address blue carbon policy gaps.



C. TRUSTING, RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS

How we govern and interact with the environment influences how we generate benefits for society and how we can sustain these benefits. Good management begins with respect: for the natural environment, for the connections between people and place, and for responsible stewardship by all parties. These respectful relationships, in turn, underpin effective integrated management and help build trust among governments, stakeholders, and citizens.

Managing coastal and marine ecosystems along the B.C. coast is complex, with many actors having a role in different ocean activities and values (Appendix 2). Inevitably, such a system creates management silos and gives rise to jurisdictional gaps, overlaps, and uncertainties. With the recent creation of the Ministry, the Province has taken a big step towards dismantling internal silos and bridging gaps between processes and structures to support more holistic, integrated, and effective ocean governance.³⁶ However, successful governance requires more.

The historic displacement of Indigenous governance authorities and stewardship responsibilities created a gap in the management and stewardship of coastal and marine resources. As a key element in our commitment to good management, the Province and First Nations will work together to re-establish integrated land-sea management grounded in deep ecological and traditional knowledge, and the best available science. We will also rebuild trusting and respectful relationships as partners in governance and stewardship and commit to improving collaboration and cooperation.

POLICY INTENTIONS

C-1: Respect and uphold Indigenous rights:

First Nations were once the sole stewards of their territories and resources. They governed, made, and enforced laws and managed lands, resources, and institutions. Colonial policies eroded their authorities and their capacity to practise those authorities and to exercise stewardship responsibilities. Building government-to-government relationships with First Nations based on recognition of rights, respect, co-operation, and partnership is key to reconciliation. Building these relationships is part of recognizing and implementing treaty rights, First Nations' distinct laws, policies, and stewardship responsibilities, First Nations' management systems for marine and coastal habitats, and implementing UNDRIP.

First Nations want to be empowered to establish and enforce rules in their traditional territories. In June 2022, B.C. Parks and the Kitasoo-Xai'xais and Nuxalk First Nations entered a Shared Compliance and Enforcement Pilot Project that is the first of its kind. The project could lead to shared compliance and enforcement responsibilities between First Nations guardians and B.C. Parks rangers. The Province will continue to explore initiatives that empower First Nations to monitor and enforce Provincial legislation, regulations, and management plans associated with the coastal and marine environment, recognizing that longer term funding will be needed.

We will also work with First Nations and other governing authorities to advance joint and consent-based management and decision-making with Indigenous rights holders on a government-to-government basis with individual First Nations or among multiple Nations. We will need to co-identify measures to

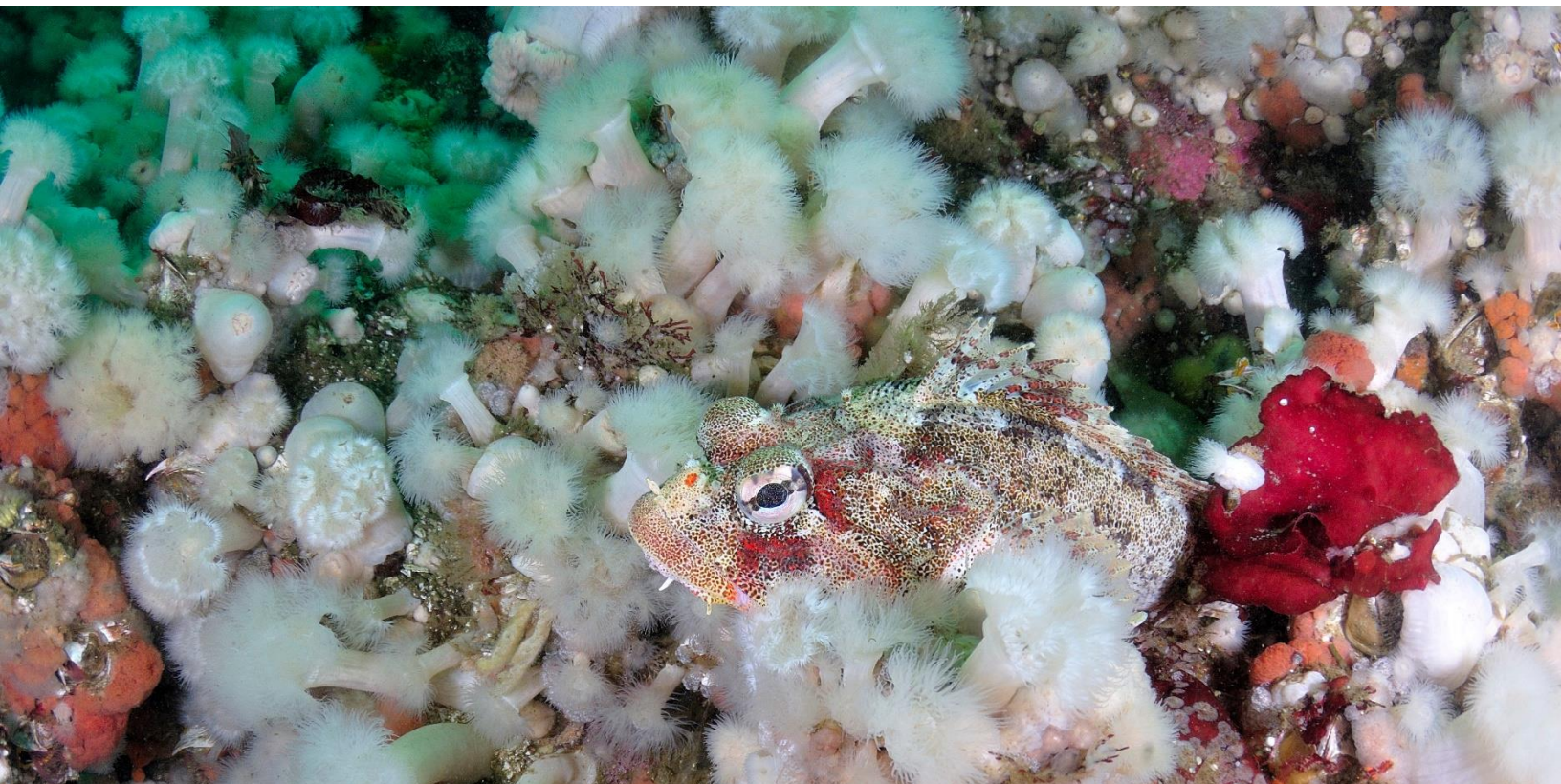
fully recognize and support treaties through engagement with treaty Nations. This will strengthen collaborative coastal management and decision-making consistent with treaty rights and provisions.

Consistent with UNDRIP, provincial laws, policies and practices will be updated and aligned over time to recognize and respect the distinctions-based rights of Indigenous Peoples. As part of the Coastal Marine Strategy, the B.C. government intends to identify strategies to address institutional and systemic racism and build awareness of Indigenous rights, management authorities, and jurisdictions, particularly as they relate to managing marine values.

C-2: Engage British Columbians in coastal marine management: Local communities and stakeholders need more opportunities to contribute meaningfully to coastal marine management. Their participation can unlock

additional knowledge that improves the quality and credibility of decisions, enhance compliance with rules, and reduce conflict.³⁷ Understanding the underlying values held by different stakeholder groups is important for building trust and informed decision making. When marine planning processes consider local interests and concerns at an early stage, there is a greater chance of meeting local needs and priorities.

The B.C. government will continue to offer and invest in participatory structures that bring a diversity of voices and interests into marine management and stewardship discussions. To build a foundation for effective public engagement, we will continue to promote education and communication about coastal marine values, benefits, issues, and potential solutions. We will strive to reduce engagement fatigue and the strain placed on participants responding to engagement requests, and will





consider how the Province can better support locally driven initiatives.

C-3: Advance collaborative stewardship: The provincial and federal governments, First Nations, local governments, and stakeholders all have a role to play in nurturing healthy marine ecosystems and coastal economies. The authority to make decisions is shared between governments (Appendix 2), and sometimes this division of responsibility creates barriers to achieving good outcomes for people and the marine environment. Everyone has a strong interest in decisions and how they are made. For example, marine shipping is managed by Transport Canada and international regulations, but everyone who lives along the coast of B.C. can appreciate the importance of shipping and shares concern for the potential risks that

activity can pose (e.g., spills, noise pollution, vessel strikes on marine mammals).

Collaborative stewardship is a collective process involving multiple and diverse groups who act together to take care of natural resources by sharing knowledge, risks, capacity, and accountability. The new Ministry reflects the Province's commitment to improving collaborative stewardship of the coastal marine environment by bringing together staff responsible for creating policies and plans related to managing the coastal marine environment, watersheds, and marine fisheries. The Ministry has a mandate to strengthen partnerships, advance engagement with First Nations in the stewardship of natural resource values, and increase the number of co-governance and shared decision-making models that support integrated resource management.

There are several models of collaboration to build from, including:

- Reconciliation Framework Agreements on Bioregional Ocean Management and Protection: These agreements, signed by several First Nations and Canada, advance collaborative ocean governance in the Northern Shelf Bioregion.³⁸
- MaPP: In 2011, the Province and 17 coastal First Nations joined together to create integrated marine plans that guide collaborative stewardship of marine values in the Northern Shelf Bioregion. Stakeholders and local governments lend their voices through advisory committees established to support marine plan implementation.
- The Environmental Stewardship Initiative (ESI): In 2014, the ESI was established as a partnership between the Province and First Nations focused on ecosystem assessment and monitoring, ecosystem restoration and enhancement, ecosystem research and knowledge exchange, and stewardship education and training.
- The Collaborative Stewardship Framework (CSF): In 2018, the CSF was initiated as a pilot to test how information reflecting western science and First Nations knowledge can enhance natural resource decision-making through a collaborative land stewardship approach between the Province and more than 30 First Nations.
- shíshálh / British Columbia Foundation Agreement: In 2018, shíshálh Nation and the Province signed an agreement committing the parties to shared decision-making for land and resource authorizations throughout the swiya (lands, birthplace, world, "Territory" of the shíshálh Nation). shíshálh and B.C. are currently implementing the Agreement, beginning with applications for all moorage

types within the swiya. Eventually, all Provincial authorization decisions related to land and resources within the shíshálh swiya will be incorporated into the shared decision-making process.

The B.C. government, in collaboration with First Nations, will continue to look for opportunities to enhance existing and develop new innovative structures, agreements, and tools to facilitate collaborative stewardship of coastal marine values in a manner that implements UNDRIP and ensures provincial decision-making aligns with the Declaration Act. We will pay close attention to the implementation of existing agreements and structures to ensure progress is on track.

We will look for opportunities to improve collaboration with the federal government, particularly where harmonized approaches to stewardship are required for effective management (e.g., aquaculture). We may also look to improve coordination and alignment with neighbouring jurisdictions such as Washington State and California to support cross-border collaboration in managing migratory fish and wildlife, monitoring water quality, reducing flood risks, and planning for climate change impacts. We will also continue to look for innovative ways to partner with non-governmental organizations eager to share their expertise and capacity.

C-4: Evaluate the need for comprehensive coastal zone legislation: A key challenge to coastal management is the absence of a legal framework specifically designed to govern and manage coastal marine areas in British Columbia. Such a framework, developed in partnership with First Nations, could establish clear and consistent guidance for developing, implementing, and enforcing integrated coastal zone plans, and would help to define and track progress towards environmental and socio-

economic objectives. Specifically, new legislation could:

- C-4-1 Protect vital foreshore and nearshore habitats from shoreline modification.
- C-4-2 Ensure critical coastal marine habitats are regularly monitored.
- C-4-3 Bring integrated marine use plans into law, to increase clarity and certainty.
- C-4-4 Strengthen coordination with coastal flood management activities.
- C-4-5 Provide a framework for local governments to work together to address shared coastal infrastructure needs.
- C-4-6 Update building standards to ensure new developments are safe from sea-level rise and extreme weather events.
- C-4-7 Include incentive systems to drive and encourage investments that protect and conserve ecosystems, build natural capital, and support healthy communities and resilient coastal economies.
- C-4-8 Provide a framework to guide decisions about emerging industries, such as

seabed mining and ocean-based renewable energy.

- C-4-9 Support a tenure system that advances the authority of First Nations to steward their territories, considers cumulative effects, and acknowledges the qualities that distinguish marine ecosystems from terrestrial ones.
- C-4-10 Recognize the role of First Nations in marine stewardship and outline co-governance and shared decision-making accountabilities.
- C-4-11 Better address concerns related to siting and management of marine-based industrial use, such as log handling and storage and aquaculture.

In addition to exploring the development of new legislative tools, we are committed to evaluating the legal instruments and designations currently available (e.g., *Water Sustainability Act*, *Land Act*, *Environmental Management Act*, *Riparian Areas Protection Act*, and *Wildlife Act*) to support implementation of marine plans (e.g., MaPP), policy and land use decisions.



D. HOLISTIC LEARNING AND KNOWLEDGE SHARING

How can we revitalize wild salmon populations? How can we best address the individual and combined effects of multiple stressors on marine ecosystems and communities? How should we respond to ocean acidification and climate change? To answer these kinds of questions, we need to co-create and share knowledge.

There is a wealth of knowledge and experience held by First Nations, multi-generational coastal families, and marine stakeholders such as commercial fishers, shellfish growers, wildlife tourism operators, environmental groups, and research institutions. Their insights should inform research and policy formation.

When we gather and mobilize different sources and forms of information about the environmental status of the ocean, how it is or could be used, and how it can be sustainably managed, we make better decisions. When we integrate ocean science with First Nations traditional knowledge, our understanding of ecosystems and other cultures is enriched. Better stewardship of all coastal marine values can only be achieved when everyone brings knowledge and information to the table as equals working together in an atmosphere of trust and respect.³⁹ The Province is committed to working in partnership with others to improve our knowledge and understanding of the coastal marine space while recognizing and valuing Indigenous knowledge.

POLICY INTENTIONS

D-1: Weave traditional knowledge with western science: Indigenous knowledge holders have in-depth understanding of coastal environmental and socio-economic systems, contribute valuable information about historical conditions, and share vital observations about

current conditions observed first-hand.⁴⁰ Marine life is featured in First Nation traditions, knowledge, ceremonies, stories, and songs passed through generations. The relationships formed with the sea from generation to generation have gifted First Nations with a deep understanding of marine life and habitats and their interrelationships within their territories. This deep understanding is a balance of traditional and modern knowledge.

The B.C. government is committed to pairing Indigenous knowledge systems with western scientific and local community insights to inform decision-makers about resource use in a respectful way. There are successful change models to build on, including MaPP, the Great Bear Rainforest Agreement, and the West Coast Aquatic⁴¹ experiences. These initiatives paired knowledge systems in ways that were consistent with First Nations' distinct protocols, laws, processes, and protections. We will continue to build public understanding of the value and importance of including First Nations' traditional and informed knowledge and experience when developing and implementing marine policy.

D-2: Assess the value of the ocean: Over the last two decades, the provincial and federal governments have twice assessed the value of British Columbia's ocean-based economy (2006, 2020) using "traditional" indicators such as contribution to provincial gross domestic product and employment. These indicators are essential for understanding monetary trends in the ocean sector and sub-sectors (fisheries, tourism, shipping, transportation, etc.), but they do not account for the value of our natural or social capital to support socio-economic health and well-being. GDP-based valuations ignore many of the concepts of well-being that are important to Indigenous people.⁴²



To measure progress towards sustainability of the provincial ocean economy, we must account for the status of the natural wealth of the ocean and for the status of coastal communities including social, cultural, mental, and physical health. This will ensure that decisions are based on a holistic understanding of the value of, and impacts on, marine economic sectors and the ocean's natural and cultural capital. Future assessments of the value of the ocean economy will push beyond the traditional metrics and include holistic evaluations of worth that incorporate Indigenous values.

D-3: Enhance marine spatial data: The ocean is a busy place, and it is getting busier. Increased activity comes with potential economic benefits, but also with risks to public safety and the health of potentially vulnerable marine life, such as humpback and killer whales. As these mammals move through the water column and along the coastal shelf, there is a high risk of interacting with vessels of all sizes and speeds.⁴³ Ship strikes are a leading cause of mortality for some whales, putting their recovery at risk.

We can't protect whales and other sensitive animals, important resources, sensitive marine habitat – or ourselves – without knowledge of what's out there. Spatial data is a key component of integrated planning and is very important when it comes to making sound decisions about using the marine environment.

Maps of ecological and human use values can help decision-makers avoid potential conflicts (e.g., shipping lanes and marine mammal feeding grounds) and harmonize different activities (e.g., herring runs and wildlife tourism). Maps are also important visualization and communications tools for involving members of the public in planning processes. In recent years, the federal and provincial governments, First Nations and academic and research institutions have been working together to make information available in spatial formats. For example, through planning and stewardship initiatives on the north coast,⁴⁴ regional characteristics of marine life and habitat, as well as patterns of human use, have been mapped spatially. Similarly, the federal government is leading the development of a



province-wide marine atlas that will support ocean planners, managers, and users.

The Province intends to work in partnership with others to keep spatial data current and fill key gaps. For example, we will continue to work with research institutes and First Nations to map the location and extent of kelp forest beds, linking to work already underway by B.C. Parks, Hakai Institute, and MaPP. We will also devote more attention to the different domains of coastal community health (e.g., ocean use patterns, features of well-being) and mapping approaches that can create multiple ways of knowing places.

D-4: Improve availability of marine and coastal information: Too often, data can be challenging to find or inaccessible to certain groups. When information is shared broadly, others are empowered to make better decisions. We need to support open access to current data and encourage other levels of government to do the same, while respecting the rights of knowledge holders. Some First Nations are advocating principles of ownership, control, access and possession of their own data.⁴⁵ Hand-in-hand

with creating trust to share data is building trust in the decisions being made and ensuring that First Nations are part of that decision-making process. It is critical to respect and protect Indigenous traditional knowledge, as some information is culturally and community sensitive.

Provincial datasets for marine values need to be updated, starting with data already compiled and validated (e.g., the British Columbia Marine Conservation Analysis⁴⁶). Many organizations are also collecting and compiling data for various uses. Strengthening collaborations across organizations that collect data will also strengthen our collective depth and breadth of information that can be used to support decisions. We may also need to update Provincial platforms or tools for gathering and sharing knowledge to support collaborative decision-making, with privacy protection measures in place, as needed. These platforms need to be easy to use, accessible by everyone, and kept relevant with current social, economic, and ecological information.

E. COMMUNITY WELL-BEING

Many of the 150-plus communities that dot the coastline of British Columbia are dependent on the ocean and its resources for their survival and well-being. Thriving, healthy coastal communities can strengthen rural economies and rural-urban dynamics, support robust food systems and economies, and maintain an active presence on the coast.⁴⁷ However, change is constant for these communities. They face many challenges that affect their well-being, including increasing competition over marine space, climate change, pollution, the decline of traditional resource-based industries, and disconnection from decision-making processes.⁴⁸ The impacts of these pressures include loss of livelihood, declining economies, out-migration of youth, food insecurity, and health problems.

Fishing, marine tourism and recreation, aquaculture, water transportation, coastal forestry operations, research and monitoring, and boatbuilding and repair provide a way of life and a sense of place for rural communities.

Coastal economies rely heavily on the movement of goods via cargo ships, barges, ports and harbours to support the export of products and ensure reliable and cost-effective delivery of critical inputs. The health and well-being of coastal communities depends on their capacity to proactively respond to external change and challenges. Access to education and employment opportunities, a stable economy, communications, transportation, safety, and community engagement are signs that a community is thriving. The Province will work with partners to ensure that First Nations and coastal communities can be resilient to change and position themselves to take advantage of established and emerging ocean industries.

POLICY INTENTIONS

E-1: Create jobs and support steady, rewarding employment: A healthy ocean has the potential to deliver sustainable growth and new jobs. Jobs related to the sustainable use of ocean resources have wide-ranging educational requirements from fish biology, water quality



testing, mechanics, and marine vessel operation to diver training, systems engineering, and data analysis. Advances in aquaculture, ocean technology, offshore resources, shipping, and marine resources are expected to contribute to the growth of Canada's blue economy. To ensure that B.C. remains globally competitive and achieves the full potential of ocean-related industries, it is vital to prepare the workforce. The Province will work with First Nations, the federal government, industry, stakeholders, and academia to:

- E-1-1 Support workforce planning
- E-1-2 Support capacity building, training, and innovation in new and existing industries
- E-1-3 Facilitate the transition of workers to emerging jobs and growth areas
- E-1-4 Help to create a positive perception of the ocean sector and the opportunities it presents to youth and those seeking opportunities to "upskill"
- E-1-5 Identify and reduce skills gaps between education on offer and labour market needs now and into the future

Our next steps are to share the results of labour market needs assessments, continue to build partnerships with organizations interested in supporting rewarding employment in the ocean sector (e.g., communities, NGOs, governments, universities), and seek additional funding to further develop and implement projects that create jobs. Through our efforts, we hope to continue to support coastal communities in their efforts to promote local well-being and thrive amidst change.

E-2: Build a diverse coastal workforce: The ocean is important for everyone, yet access to ocean resources and sectors is not equitably distributed. For example, there are visible gender gaps in ocean science and technology⁴⁹

and in traditionally male-dominated industries such as commercial fishing, coastal forestry, and marine shipping. Similarly, First Nations are under-represented in some ocean-based industries (e.g., ocean high-tech) and the public sector – particularly in decision-making positions.

Individuals of all genders, races, backgrounds, and experiences bring different perspectives that lead to innovative solutions and new discoveries. Without their voices, management decisions cannot consider all knowledge of, and effects on, marine ecosystems and people. Equity is central to achieving sustainable economies and attracting the brightest and best people. The Province will look at ways to increase and diversify participation in B.C.'s ocean economy, starting with a gender-based analysis plus (GBA+) to help determine what actions are needed to make space for everyone.

E-3: Support First Nations cultural revitalization and resilience: Many First Nations have been vocal about the challenges they experience in preserving and revitalizing their cultural heritage and strong connection to place. These challenges include food insecurity; access to areas and resources important for harvesting, teaching, and healing; language revitalization; loss of Indigenous place names; use of traditional resource management and harvesting methods (e.g., harvest wheels, fish traps and weirs, estuarine root gardens); and transfer of critical cultural knowledge and practices to younger generations.

There are opportunities to support First Nations cultural revitalization and resilience. For example, the Province is embarking on a *Heritage Conservation Act Transformation* project to reform the Act to align with UNDRIP, with the goal of improving protection of Indigenous cultural and spiritual heritage sites



and objects. This work, in addition to collaborative enforcement and climate risk assessment inventories, will better protect coastal First Nations' sites such as burial caves, petroglyphs, and middens.

In the Northern Shelf Bioregion, there are several community-led initiatives that support cultural resurgence and resilience. For example, First Nations community members identified areas critically important for First Nations' cultural use and management recommendations were put in place to protect them.⁵⁰ The *Supporting Emerging Aboriginal Stewards* program helps build Indigenous leadership through "on the water learning" that cultivates a deeper understanding of traditional cultural beliefs and marine values.⁵¹ Over thousands of years, First Nations constructed and nurtured clam gardens to enhance shellfish production and feed people, and some First Nations are reclaiming these traditional mariculture practices as a means to enhance food security and reconnect with and revive ancestral practices.⁵² Access to the shoreline is required

to support clam gardens and other traditional food gathering and cultivating practices.

The Province will work closely with coastal First Nations to identify a suite of practical actions we can take together to revive traditional stewardship and support opportunities for knowledge to be shared across generations.

E-4: Improve capacity of communities to respond to change:

In 2019, a team of collaborators and coastal partners gathered to discuss the current status of community well-being.⁵³ Across several domains of well-being, including social, health, food, cultural, governance, infrastructure, and economic development, the trends indicate change – for better and for worse. For example:

- ↓ Food security
- ↑ Local stewardship effort
- ↑ Research on the coast
- ↓ Connection to place



- ↓ Connection to central decision-making processes and decision-makers
- ↑ Climate change impacts
- ↑ Unemployment and very seasonal employment
- ↓ Recruitment – human resource surplus, availability of skilled workers
- ↓ Community infrastructure for fisheries (e.g., wharves)
- ↑ Communications infrastructure

Coastal communities are preparing for change – but they need more help from the B.C. government to take advantage of emerging opportunities and reduce threats to well-being. We can better work with First Nations, academia, local governments, and non-governmental organizations to identify bridges and barriers to improving the well-being of coastal communities, fill gaps in our understanding of the impacts of change on well-

being, and to identify specific actions that will help coastal communities thrive. The Province will also support efforts to narrow gaps in our understanding of how coastal community well-being is changing across space and time.

E-5: Develop and implement marine use plans:

Multi-use or “integrated” planning is a key part of the Province’s approach to strengthening the economy, improving collaborative stewardship of land and water, and supporting well-being of coastal communities. The development and implementation of marine plans can: deliver important social, environmental, and economic benefits; streamline approval processes; reduce conflicts among ocean users, and; increase certainty for users and investors. Marine plans can also help governments and industry take advantage of new opportunities and respond to rapidly changing environmental conditions.

The benefits of integrated planning have been demonstrated here in B.C. with the implementation of marine plans developed under MaPP. These plans, developed in partnership with 17 coastal First Nations and in

collaboration with stakeholders, cover 102,000 km² of marine waters from northern Vancouver Island to the B.C.–Alaska border.⁵⁴ The plans provide management direction for a range of values, uses, and activities, including governance, monitoring and enforcement, economy and communities, tourism and recreation, coastal forestry and the marine fisheries economy. The plans also include zones that provide recommendations to decision makers for uses and activities in spaces allocated for general use, high-priority and/or high-potential marine uses and activities, and protection of local conservation values.

The Province intends to partner with First Nations and collaborate with stakeholders and others to advance planning in areas of the coast where it is needed most, and where there is shared interest. We will also boost support for implementation of existing marine use plans and work hard to address challenges (e.g., long-term durable funding, sector-based policies and procedures) that have made it difficult to

achieve some key ecosystem-based management⁵⁵ objectives. The strong connections between watersheds and coastal ecosystems require more holistic approaches to planning, and we will look for opportunities to incorporate adjacent land use plans into marine planning initiatives (e.g., Great Bear Rainforest land use orders, MaPP plans).

As partners in the federally led marine spatial planning initiative in the Salish Sea, we remain committed to sharing our perspectives and expertise in the best interest of First Nations and British Columbians and building relationships with all partners and participants.

E-6: Improve access to nature, in a respectful way:

The marine and coastal environment in B.C. provides natural, cultural, spiritual, recreational, and economic values and opportunities. To maintain these values, we need to ensure coastal use and development is sustainable and fosters respect for nature, people, and archaeological and historical sites. Access to the coast allows us to enjoy activities





like swimming, paddle sports, boating, diving, nature viewing, learning and exploring.

As B.C.'s population grows, more people are choosing to visit, live and work along the coast. For example, Desolation Sound Marine Provincial Park is a very popular kayak and boating destination with high visitor use. The popularity of the park brings with it impacts to water quality, ecological values, and archaeological sites. In other parts of the coast, access to shorelines can be limited by docks, floating structures, shoreline armouring, and development, which can negatively impact ecological, social, and cultural values and create conflict between users. Unlike other coastal jurisdictions, B.C. does not have a comprehensive strategy to manage coastline development and access issues.

B.C. Parks recently completed a Marine Recreation Action Plan to ensure that high quality and sustainable recreational

opportunities are available in protected areas up and down the coast. This plan provides guidance on managing marine recreation and includes actions such as monitoring visitor use and impacts on marine habitats, strengthening shared stewardship with First Nations, implementing visitor use management strategies (e.g., camping reservations/area closures), and developing opportunities for expanding marine recreation where feasible.

Expanding on this work, the Province intends to partner with First Nations and local governments to explore a comprehensive framework for authorizing responsible and sustainable foreshore and shoreline development. A key focus of this intention is ensuring that marine and coastal Crown land is accessible and allows for a range of recreation and tourism experiences, while protecting environmental and cultural values now and into the future.

F. A SUSTAINABLE, THRIVING OCEAN ECONOMY

The ocean-based economy holds great promise for helping rebuild British Columbia's post-pandemic economy. Building a sustainable ocean economy is an important task. A sustainable economy is more than jobs and gross domestic product (GDP); it means that benefits from resource development are invested in local communities in ways that support equity and human well-being, including physical, mental, and family health. A sustainable economy also grows natural and human capital for the future. Natural capital is grown through incentives and regulatory measures that ensure ongoing investment back into healthy, abundant ecosystems, while human capital is grown by encouraging education, innovation, creativity, entrepreneurship, and strong governance and administration.

A sustainable economy must also be resilient in the face of unpredictability. The last two years have shown that unforeseen events can cause challenging situations for ocean-based sectors, including supply chain challenges, shifts in consumer behaviour, poor market conditions, and declines in employment levels. The tourism industry was disproportionately affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Pre-pandemic, the industry contributed over \$20 billion to the provincial economy, and about one-quarter of annual revenues came directly from marine-based tourism.⁵⁶ Post-pandemic, revenues dropped by an estimated 50–70%. Some tourism businesses adapted, while others closed or faced the prospect of closure. The B.C. government will explore ways to recover from these, and other losses while building for the future.

A more sustainable future for B.C.'s ocean economy will require: regulatory and policy reform; good governance; strategic investments

in emerging and existing sectors; marine spatial planning, respect for Indigenous knowledge, wisdom and practice, and; alignment with the federal government's vision for Canada's three oceans.⁵⁷ It will also be critical to engage fully with First Nations and include all British Columbians (e.g., women, minorities, members of the LGBTQ+ community). Through the Coastal Marine Strategy, the Province will take steps to nurture an ocean economy that is more equitable, resilient, and balanced. We will invest in people, communities, and businesses, better manage cumulative effects, and do the work needed to share with coastal First Nations the wealth that's generated through the ocean economy.

POLICY INTENTIONS

F-1: Invest in a diverse coastal and marine economy: The world is seeing a major shift in investment, research, and development towards a "blue economy" - socially equitable, environmentally sustainable and economically viable ocean industries.⁵⁸ B.C. is well positioned to lead and benefit from this transition. In many coastal communities the Indigenous population is growing and represents a significant future labour force pool. At the same time, some coastal communities face challenges with rural to urban migration, securing new capital, accessing infrastructure and services, and reaching markets in Canada and around the world.

The Province intends to expand investment in sustainable marine sectors, including renewable energy, blue carbon, aquaculture, value-added processing, regenerative tourism, and governance and administration, along with the coastal infrastructure and services needed to support new businesses. Sectors will need to be prioritized carefully to ensure that the blue

economy delivers. Pathways of sustainable development will need to be mindful of local social objectives and preferences in the pursuit of an appropriate economic mix.

We can build on lessons from the “conservation economy” that is emerging in the Great Bear Rainforest and Haida Gwaii. In these regions, First Nations have worked with provincial and federal governments, industry, and private funders to create new opportunities in industries such as ecotourism, fisheries, manufacturing and processing, forestry, and transportation that diversify local economies while protecting the environment. The benefits for communities and ecosystems are significant – job creation, economic prosperity, social empowerment, cultural vitality, and conservation of important habitats and species are just some of the documented outcomes. Building on the success of this initiative, the B.C. government intends to partner with First Nations and work with industry, investors, and communities to develop ways to grow the conservation economy in coastal B.C.

F-2: Co-develop enduring fiscal relations with

First Nations governments: Indigenous rights and economic systems are a fundamental component of self-determination and critical to the well being of a Nation.⁵⁹ Since time immemorial, Indigenous people in B.C. had well-established trade networks based on cultural, social, and economic ties. Participation in the economic landscape of British Columbia as equal partners and leaders is a central part of reconciliation between the Province and First Nations.

Tools currently used by B.C. to reconcile First Nation interests and provide certainty for investors, industry, and Indigenous communities include: treaties, incremental treaty agreements, revenue-sharing agreements, land base decision-making and consultation

agreements, forestry agreements, and clean-energy project development funding. Revenue sharing provides a percentage of what the Province receives from resource development on First Nations’ traditional territories directly back into the communities. It can stimulate investment, create jobs, and narrow the socio-economic gap between Indigenous peoples and non-Indigenous British Columbians. Revenue and benefit sharing by the provincial government has increased over time, but these arrangements are largely based on provincial principles and objectives. New revenue streams that support self-government and self-determination, strong healthy Indigenous communities and services that make life better for Indigenous families, are needed.⁶⁰

We will honour our commitments and obligations to reconciliation by continuing to co-develop and co-implement policy frameworks to strengthen First Nations resource-based decision making and explore new tools that can help transform the status quo of fiscal relations between the Province and First Nations. We will explore a variety of revenue streams to support First Nations’ governments and the delivery of services to their citizens.⁶¹ Recognizing that there are different solutions for different priorities, First Nations must be able choose what is right for them, and we will work with First Nations on a government-to-government basis to understand distinct needs and aspirations.

We intend to partner with coastal First Nations to lead the development of an ocean-based economy, workforce, and business climate that supports greater leadership, inclusion and participation of First Nations. And we will continue support for First Nations-owned ocean-based companies to start up and thrive through programs, training, and funding.

**F-3: Support the marine fisheries economy:**

The fish, shellfish, and marine plants harvested in the waters of B.C. are an important source of jobs, community benefits, and food. Many fisheries – such as wild salmon, herring, eulachon, crab, and kelp – are at the centre of coastal First Nations’ diets, language, ceremony, and song. Food security, economic security, empowerment, human health and well-being, knowledge transfer, and capacity building are some of the individual and societal benefits tied to the marine fisheries economy.

Getting seafood products from a boat or farm to the plate involves the hard work of about 11,000 directly employed people.⁶² This industry value chain includes harvesters, aquaculture producers, seafood processors, marketers, and distributors. Aside from wild marine plants and algae (kelp, seaweed, etc.), the harvest and production of fish and other aquatic animals are managed by the federal government, and the Province provides advice and support. The

provincial government is accountable for supporting, and in some cases regulating, the processing, marketing, and distribution of seafood, and for ensuring seafood safety and quality through legislation and regulations.

Many commercial fisheries in B.C. face challenges that threaten the viability of fleets and individual fishers. First Nations experience multiple barriers to participation in all aspects of the value chain, such as cost of licenses, access to investment capital, insufficient labour and experience, depressed stocks and impacts from climate change. In support of a sustainable, equitable, and diverse marine fisheries economy, the Province intends to:

- F-3-1** Amplify participation with the federal government in managing and conserving fisheries.
- F-3-2** Advocate for First Nations’ and industry interests to federal agencies and support

the realization of economic development objectives.

- F-3-3 Secure fair domestic allocations of stocks managed under international treaty, such as wild salmon, halibut, hake, and tuna, in collaboration with the federal government, First Nations, and industry.
- F-3-4 Help to address barriers to First Nations' equitable participation in the fisheries economy.
- F-3-5 Provide support to fishers to adapt to regulatory changes.
- F-3-6 Address fish species declines, such as forage fish and wild salmon, with a combination of programs and tools, including restoration of terrestrial, riparian, and coastal habitats; protection of key fish spawning and rearing habitat; and management of cumulative effects.

F-3-7 Boost processing and marketing of high-value seafood products for increased profit margins and ensure equitable eligibility and share of federal programs.

F-3-8 Assess fisheries-related infrastructure needs. Explore the expansion of infrastructure to allow domestic processing of locally harvested species.

F-3-9 Facilitate harmonization of labeling/traceability requirements across federal and provincial governments.

F-3-10 Develop a regionally relevant ocean acidification and hypoxia action plan to develop sector-specific climate change mitigation and adaptation strategies.

F-4: Advance sustainable aquaculture: Marine aquaculture – the growing of finfish, shellfish, and marine plants in the ocean – makes important contributions to B.C.'s economy as



well as to food and nutrition security. Aquaculture also provides year-round employment in rural communities up and down the coast of British Columbia.

Fish and shellfish are an important part of a healthy diet for many people. Some communities do not have access to enough safe and nutritious food. Food insecurity is a serious public health issue, with an estimated one in every ten households experiencing hunger.⁶³ The B.C. Ministry of Health considers a safe, nutritious, culturally acceptable diet obtained through a just and sustainable food system to be the foundation of healthy eating.

First Nations' interests and concerns related to aquaculture are diverse. Many First Nations in B.C. own/operate aquaculture operations, including freshwater enhancement, shellfish farms, open and closed-containment farms, finfish operations, and marine plant-based farms. These operations directly support Indigenous food security and economic opportunities. Meanwhile, other First Nations opposed to finfish aquaculture are engaged in processes with Fisheries and Oceans Canada and industry to address the impacts of open net-pen farms on wild Pacific salmon stocks.⁶⁴

The Province intends to work with the aquaculture industry, First Nations, and the federal government to develop and implement a growth and diversification strategy for finfish, shellfish, and marine plant aquaculture. Bivalve shellfish and marine plants have a particularly high development potential,⁶⁵ and key species of promise include native cockles, scallops, and kelp.⁶⁶

The Province will promote healthy and resilient mixes of food sources, take action to create the conditions needed to attract investors, and build skills in aquatic farming. We will continue to work with First Nations, the federal government and industry to advance and use innovative

solutions to ensure environmental sustainability and address the challenges of growing seafood under changing ocean conditions due to climate change. We will strive to reduce barriers to investment and business planning by providing responsive, open, and effective tenuring processes for new and modified applications. We will continue to inform transition plans for open net-pen fish farms, participate in the federal government's piloted approach to advance area-based aquaculture management, and advocate for First Nations' and coastal community interests and involvement.

F-5: Support regenerative marine tourism:

British Columbia has a well-deserved reputation as a world-class destination for tourists. Tourism plays an important role in improving the quality of life of the people and communities in B.C. and increasing the support and celebration of First Nations cultures. Tourism can also have undesirable effects on people and ecosystems. The COVID-19 pandemic prompted a number of industry leaders around the world to question the status quo, calling for transformative change in the relationship of tourism with nature, the climate, people, and the economy.⁶⁷

"Regenerative tourism" represents a sustainable way of travelling and discovering new places. Its main goal is for visitors to have a positive impact on their destination, leaving it in a better condition than how they found it. Regenerative tourism is a concept that goes beyond "not damaging" the environment to looking at how tourists can actively revitalize and regenerate it, resulting in positive impacts for local communities and economies. The [B.C. Marine Trails Network](#) (BCMT) is one example of regenerative tourism in action. The BCMT, in partnership with First Nations, builds coastal trails for paddling the coastline. This non-profit organization created numerous projects to take care of the coast, including site maintenance,



shoreline clean-ups, codes of conduct, invasive species removal, and public education.

The Province intends to work with First Nations and industry to develop, and gradually implement, strategies and standards of practice that can define and nurture a regenerative marine tourism industry.

F-6: Manage cumulative effects: Finding a healthy balance between conservation and sustainable economic development requires an understanding of the cumulative effects of large and small activities on the values we care about. Once the effects are understood, we can develop appropriate management responses.

Over the past five years, the Province and partner First Nations have worked together to address cumulative effects through the North Coast Cumulative Effects Program, guided by the collaboratively developed MaPP Cumulative Effects Framework.⁶⁸ The program weaves together western science and Indigenous

knowledge to create a holistic understanding of the current condition and cumulative effects on an initial suite of four core values: estuaries, food security, access to resources, and wild salmon. The goal of this work is to effectively monitor, assess, and manage the combined effects of past, present, and potential future human activities. It is complex and important work that will inform the broader efforts to collaborate with coastal First Nations on building a co-managed stewardship regime that can effectively address cumulative effects.

In 2016, the provincial government released a Cumulative Effects Framework Interim Policy, which includes policy, procedures and decision-support tools that complement current land management achieved through B.C.'s legislative framework, land use plans and various best practices and processes. Some values (e.g., old growth forests, aquatic ecosystems, forest biodiversity) are assessed across the province, while others are assessed on a regional basis



due to importance in certain parts of the Province (e.g., marbled murrelet, fish and fish habitat). The Province intends to work in partnership with First Nations and in collaboration with stakeholders to select coastal marine values at provincial and regional scales for assessment of current condition using a

standard approach. Results of assessments will be used to support development of new marine plans and implementation of existing ones, aid in the environmental assessment of major projects, and inform permits, licenses and tenures in the marine environment.

First Nations' Relationships To The Sea

The Pacific coast gave rise to many different Indigenous cultures. There is not one story – there are hundreds that must be heard to begin to understand and appreciate the relationship between First Nations and the sea, and First Nations' invaluable contribution to coastal marine management. You can read about some of those stories [here](#). Notice how the sea unites them all.

Coast Salish ^{69 70}

The Coast Salish culture is dynamic and diverse but bounded through shared values and the recognition of the interconnectedness and spirit within all things. The Coast Salish culture is expressed through the importance of, amongst other things, their fisheries. The Coast Salish continue to honour the legacy for their ancestors as stewards for the protection and enhancement of the Salish Sea ecosystem and lands for innumerable generations.

Ditidaht ⁷¹

The Ditidaht take pride and comfort between the traditional and modern worlds. The land, the waters, and their resources have always been a source of life, culture, and spirituality for the Ditidaht. The Ditidaht understand that everything is one (dubayaax a ts'awalk); a teaching that has guided the Ditidaht for thousands of years, as the Ditidaht have cared for and been nurtured by the rich natural and spiritual worlds of the land and sea.

Kwakwaka'wakw ⁷²

For the Kwakwaka'wakw, the “good life” is about the way one expresses their connection to living things, and their appreciation of those things that sustain them physically and spiritually. The Kwakwaka'wakw believe the animals, rivers, and trees are powerful beings and through coexistence the Kwakwaka'wakw came to be related to animal spirits such as salmon. This connection to the spirit beings—the sea life, particularly the salmon— is reflected within their culture.

Gitxaala ⁷³

“Respect for the environment and respect for the resources has been the foundation of the ecologically sustainable approach to resource management that we have always practiced. We are part of the land, part of the ecosystem and therefore our survival as a Nation depends on balancing the complex interactions between conservation, utilization, enhancement, and protection of resources. Our land defines who we are as a Nation. The names our Chiefs bear come from our land.”

Haida ⁷⁴

As coastal people, the connection to the land and sea defines the culture and identity of the Haida. The Haida culture is rooted on respect (Yahguudang) for each other and all living things and their interconnectedness (Gina 'waadluzan gud ad kwaagiida). The Haida understand balance is needed to preserve the coastal waters that support livelihood of the Haida, and reciprocity (Isa ad diigii isda) is essential in their interactions with each other and the natural world.

Haisla ⁷⁵

“The First Salmon Ceremony celebrates the return of the first salmon to a territory each spring. After the salmon are eaten, the bones and remains are returned to the river to show respect. The Haisla believe that “if all is done properly, the spirit of the salmon will tell the rest of the salmon people that they were well treated, so that more salmon will come upriver the same and future years.”

Nisga'a ⁷⁶

The Nisga'a, “people of the Nass River”, believe everything is alive and wishes to communicate. The Nisga'a talk to the salmon and listen to the salmon talking in a language of their own as the animals are the helpers and messengers of the Creator. Through this understanding the Nisga'a continue to live with an understanding that everything has a rightful and meaningful place, deserving of respect, and we are all interdependent. For the Nisga'a it is the connection between the Nass River—the lifeblood of the Nisga'a —and the sea.

Nuu-chah-nulth ⁷⁷

The Nuu-chah-nulth, “All along the Mountains and the Sea,” Nations are many. The Nuu-chah-nulth way of life was crafted through thousands of years of connecting with the ocean—they are people of the ocean—it is the ocean that has guided and will continue to guide their way of life. With care and gentleness, Nuu-chah-nulth carry forth their obligation to add to the wisdom and strength of their ancestral teachings along with their role as stewards over their lands and waters so future generations can thrive.

Tsimshian ^{78 79}

Tsimshian, “inside the Skeena River”, continue to be dependent on the health of the marine environment to survive and flourish. Their relationship with the salmon that the sea brings to them cannot be overstated. The strength of the Tsimshian comes from their culture, ancestors, and history which has shaped their traditional resource management practices for the spiritual and cultural values of the salmon and to support consumption of traditionally harvested marine foods.

Tlingit ^{80 81}

In the Tlingit “People of the Tides” worldview, everything is alive—the animals, the land, the sky—and connected. This worldview guides and shapes the Tlingit ways of being. The Tlingit recognize the value of and retain reverence and respect for all life of the land and sea that they harvest for strength and sustenance. The Tlingit demonstrate this respect by returning the bones of the salmon to the ocean so they can come back to life as more Salmon people.

Have Your Say

We invite your feedback and suggestions on this Intentions Paper and the potential solutions and policies the Province can implement to achieve better outcomes for marine life and people. To complete a survey and/or share your comments visit [GovTogetherBC](https://govtogetherbc.ca).

Once engagement on this Intentions Paper is complete, all feedback will be compiled and released in a What We Heard report. The Province and First Nations will convene over the

next six months to carefully consider feedback received on the Intentions Paper as we work together to draft specific actions for the Coastal Marine Strategy. Federal and local governments, industry, environmental non-governmental organizations, research institutes, and other interest groups will help shape and inform the development of the Coastal Marine Strategy through consultation. There will be opportunities for the public to comment on the Coastal Marine Strategy when a draft is completed in 2024.



Appendix 1: Reconciliation And The Rights of Indigenous Peoples

A key element of the path ahead is the Province's commitment to advance true and lasting reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples in B.C., founded on the respect of Aboriginal rights.

Indigenous Peoples govern in accordance with their traditional knowledge, laws, culture, and oral traditions. The right to govern grows from Indigenous People's inherent rights – rights that existed long before colonization and are distinct and separate from the rights of non-Indigenous people. There is no specific definition for inherent rights as each Indigenous Nation has a unique cultural identity. Inherent rights can include the right to self-government, the right to the land, and the right for Indigenous people to practise their culture and associated customs.

The rights of Indigenous Peoples are recognized and affirmed under *Section 35* of the *Constitution Act, 1982* (the Constitution). The Constitution does not define Indigenous rights under section 35, but these rights can include:

- Aboriginal title (ownership rights to land)
- rights to occupy and use lands and resources, such as hunting and fishing rights
- self-government rights
- cultural and social rights

Indigenous rights under section 35 vary from Indigenous group to Indigenous group depending on the customs, practices and traditions that have formed part of their distinctive cultures. Section 35 of the Constitution also recognizes and affirms Treaty rights. Treaties define specific rights, benefits and obligations for the signatories that vary from treaty to treaty. Treaties with Indigenous peoples include both historic treaties and modern treaties.

Historic Treaties ⁸²

Between 1850 and 1854, Sir James Douglas concluded 14 treaties with coastal First Nations living on Vancouver Island. Altogether, the treaties cover approximately 22,000 hectares of land on Vancouver Island, including the area surrounding Victoria. These treaties are constitutionally protected and are focussed on land, fishing, hunting and harvesting rights. Under these historic treaties, First Nations have retained the right to carry on fisheries as formerly and to hunt over unoccupied lands,

Modern Treaties

Modern treaty nations possess a unique space within the constitutional fabric of this country for the recognition and expressions of Indigenous rights protected and affirmed by the Constitution. Modern treaties provide one way for Indigenous Peoples an opportunity to bring clarity and precision to their Section 35 rights in a way that provides meaningful and practical benefits for their traditional, cultural, governance, social and economic needs. Some of the Modern treaty Nations, such as the Maa-nulth, have specific law-making authorities over foreshore areas fronting treaty settlement lands. These authorities are similar to that of a local government and can include land use, planning, zoning, and development. Modern treaties are comprehensive in scope and cover a wide variety of subjects from land ownership and rights to governance and fiscal relationships with the federal and provincial governments. Eight First Nations in British Columbia have modern treaties:

- Huu-ay-aht First Nations
- Ka:'yu:'k't'h'/Che:k'tles7et'h' First Nations
- Nisga'a Nation

- Together, the above Indigenous governments have formed the Alliance of B.C. Modern Treaty Nations, also referred to as the “Alliance”.

The provincial government has committed to implementing UNDRIP and adopted the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's Calls to Action. The Ministry is demonstrating this

Part of the B.C. government's work towards reconciliation will focus on enabling the opportunity for shared decision-making. The intentions outlined in this paper reflect the steps needed to ensure Indigenous Peoples have meaningful opportunities to partner in co-governance and co-management of the marine environment and to participate in the ocean-based economy.



Appendix 2: Stewards of the Coastal Marine Environment In B.C.

First Nations

First Nations exercise their own laws and traditions, systems of governance, and stewardship practices that uphold their inherent responsibilities to the land and water, including the sea and seabed, rivers, lakes, streams, estuaries, marine areas, watersheds, and the

wild salmon, plant, and animal life these aquatic systems sustain. For many First Nations, managing the lands and waters of the ancestors is a responsibility, a duty not to be taken lightly, all in service of sustaining a way of life for future generations to come.

Federal Government

Federal authorities with primary responsibility for ocean management include Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Transport Canada, the Canadian Coast Guard, and Environment and Climate Change Canada. Through legislation, regulation, policy, and program development, these departments and agencies are accountable for:

- Fisheries and aquaculture
- Habitat protection
- Ocean science and technology
- Ports, harbours, anchorages
- Prevention, mitigation or elimination of the risks caused by wrecked, abandoned, or hazardous vessels
- Preventing and responding to environmental emergencies, including ship source oil spills
- Overseeing safe navigation and maritime search and rescue
- Pollution and waste management
- Recovering species at risk (e.g., resident killer whales)
- Shellfish and water quality
- Disposal of waste into the ocean
- Vessel design, construction, and maintenance
- Preventing, detecting, monitoring, and managing aquatic invasive species

- Protecting and managing migratory birds
- Monitoring and enforcement
- Maritime sovereignty and security
- Climate change (mitigation & adaptation)
- Negotiating and implementing international agreements and commitments (e.g., United Nations)

Other federal departments, such as Natural Resources Canada, the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency, and Agriculture and AgriFood Canada, are responsible for regulating energy production and distribution, undertaking environmental assessments for major projects, and ensuring safe seafood for domestic and international markets, respectively. Parks Canada Agency, in fulfillment of their mandate to ‘protect nationally significant examples of Canada’s natural and cultural heritage and foster public education and enjoyment of these areas’, establishes and manages *National Marine Conservation Areas* in partnership with Indigenous governments. Pacific Economic Development Canada supports the growth and diversification of B.C.’s economy through programs and initiatives that assist communities (e.g., infrastructure development) and sectors (e.g., seafood producers).

Provincial Government

The B.C. government holds considerable authority over the marine and coastal zone. The Province also manages activities on the land base that can impact the health of coastal habitats and species, like estuaries and wild salmon.

The ministries of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship, Forests, Environment and Climate Change Strategy, Transportation and Infrastructure, Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation, and Agriculture and Food have regulatory and non-regulatory accountabilities that include:

- Marine spatial planning
- Managing Crown-administered land tenures for activities on the seabed (e.g., aquaculture, float homes, fishing lodges, marinas, private moorage, telecommunications infrastructure, wind power, ocean energy)
- Licensing tourism and recreation operators
- Managing kelp, seaweed, and other aquatic plants
- Marine-based log handling and storage
- Protected area establishment and management
- Climate change mitigation and adaptation (including ocean acidification and sea-level rise)
- Waste prevention and waste management
- Seafood safety and seafood licensing
- Water quality and water quantity
- Watershed protection
- Coastal ferry service delivery
- Infrastructure development and maintenance (e.g., marine vehicle and passenger terminal facilities)
- Habitat restoration
- Flood risk management
- Forestry
- Riparian area management
- Alternative energy
- Mineral exploration and mine permitting
- Sector and market development (e.g., seafood, vessel construction, energy)

Local Government

Local governments in coastal B.C. include 74 municipalities, 16 regional districts, and the Islands Trust, a special purpose government covering 13 major islands and 450 islets in the Salish Sea. Wherever settlement and development exist, local governments are key players in coastal zone management. Many regional districts have estuaries, wetlands, and other types of sensitive shorelines that are under continued pressure from climate change and industrial, urban, and agricultural use. While the federal and provincial governments have more comprehensive powers to regulate coastal and marine areas, local government's responsibilities can include:

- Exercising coastal and ocean protection authority over land use
- Regulating development along the shoreline
- Enacting zoning over the surface of the water and the foreshore as long as they do not interfere with provincial and federal jurisdiction⁸³
- Restricting moorage
- Managing private dock construction
- Managing the use of beaches

Local government is also responsible for other stewardship roles⁸⁴ such as climate change mitigation and adaptation via:

- Land use planning and management
- Financing
- Infrastructure and asset management
- Recreation
- Health and safety
- Emergency management
- Protection from hazards

Each local government may have official community plans that outline a vision and

objectives, and how it conducts its stewardship responsibilities. These plans are not mandatory, but once a local government assumes an official community plan, all bylaws must then adhere to that plan.⁸⁵ However, local governments are not bound to projects under the plan, and the plan may be influenced by federal and provincial policies.

Stakeholders, Research Institutions, Academia

Stakeholders, research institutions, and academics who have an interest in coastal stewardship are diverse and manifold. These are groups of citizens who are often affiliated by geographic proximity, interests, or sector/industry to address issues affecting their well-being, values, and interests and include groups such as aquaculture, commercial fishing, marine transportation and shipping, forestry, seafood processing, and tourism. Although these groups hold no legislative authority, they play an integral role in supporting policymakers. Their roles include but are not limited to:

- Contributing to the ocean-based economy
- Conserving and restoring marine habitats and species
- Collecting, sharing, and validating data and information
- Informing policy and program development through independent research
- Participating in planning processes and advisory tables
- Lobbying for change
- Educating the public
- Investing in coastal infrastructure
- Driving innovation and research



Appendix 3: Other Initiatives

Preparation of this Intentions Paper involved a review of relevant policies, plans and agreements. Some examples are provided here.

The [Declaration On The Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act Action Plan](#), which outlines significant actions the B.C. government will undertake in consultation and cooperation with Indigenous Peoples over 2022-2027 to achieve objectives of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP).

The [Shared Priorities Framework](#), which renews a commitment to timely, effective and appropriately resourced implementation of modern treaties.

The [Marine Plan Partnership](#), which defined regional spatial plans and strategies that address the unique needs of Haida Gwaii, North Vancouver Island, the Central Coast, and North Coast sub-regions. The marine plans and Regional Action Framework are a model for sound coastal planning.

[What We Heard on Marine Debris](#), from coastal crown governments, First Nations, industry, and environmental organizations.

The [Watershed Security Strategy and Fund Discussion Paper](#). The Province is developing a Watershed Security Strategy to ensure B.C. water and watersheds are healthier and more resilient.

[B.C.'s Economic Plan: A plan for today, a vision for tomorrow](#), is focused on inclusive and clean growth as the overarching goals. The Plan commits to developing a Goods Movement Strategy, led by the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure. This strategy will have three strategic pillars: strengthen the B.C.

transportation and logistics sector; support B.C. exporters; and accelerate the adoption of B.C. innovation and advance climate objectives.

The [Wild Salmon Advisory Council's](#) recommendations for a made-in-B.C. wild salmon strategy.

The [Climate Preparedness and Adaptation Strategy](#), which details potential actions that could be implemented over 2022-2025 to better prepare for climate change.

The [CleanBC Roadmap to 2030](#) which contains measures to reach greenhouse gas emissions targets by 2030. CleanBC commits to fully electrifying B.C.'s inland ferry fleet by 2040.

[The Environmental Stewardship Initiative](#), which was developed in 2014 as an innovative form of collaboration and partnership between B.C. and First Nations, designed to produce high-quality, accessible, and trusted environmental information.

The draft [B.C. Flood Strategy](#), which is intended to outline the strategic vision, principles, and outcomes for flood management in the Province in alignment with the United Nation's Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction. Core themes of the engagement toward a B.C. Flood Strategy are focused on: understanding flood risk, strengthening flood risk governance, enhancing flood preparedness, response and recovery, and investing in flood resilience.

[B.C.'s Cumulative Effects Framework](#), which includes policy, procedures and decision-support tools that complement current land management achieved through B.C.'s legislative framework, land use plans and various best practices and processes.

The CleanBC Plastics Action Plan has a goal of reducing plastic pollution through reuse and the use of recycled plastic. This includes the Ministry of ENV's proposal to develop a [new waste prevention regulation](#) to reduce the impacts of single-use and plastic waste on the environment. The [Extended Producer Responsibility Five-Year Action Plan](#) and the [Summary of Feedback Report](#) on regulating more products for recovery and ensuring Province-wide recycling systems.

The [Clean Coast, Clean Waters Initiative](#), which is helping create jobs and support coastal communities as they recover from the COVID-19 economic downturn and loss of tourism.

The Ministry of ENV's proposal to develop a [new waste prevention regulation](#) to reduce the impacts of single-use and plastic waste on the environment.

The [Future of B.C.'s Food System](#), Findings and Recommendations from the B.C. Food Security Task Force.

The [Strategic Framework for Tourism 2022–2024](#): A Plan for Recovery and Resiliency. This is a roadmap for rebuilding tourism in the Province and an integral part of our B.C. government's economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

A draft ocean acidification and hypoxia action plan, that includes strategies for strengthening nearshore monitoring, investing in adaptive measures in partnership with industry or seafood dependent communities, and advancing information sharing strategies that help policy makers respond.

The North Coast Cumulative Effects Program, which is working towards the monitoring,

assessment, and management of cumulative effects on core coastal and marine values, with an initial focus on aquatic habitats (estuaries), food security, access to resources, and wild salmon.

[Modernized BC Emergency Management Legislation](#) with stronger connections to climate change, the Sendai Framework, disaster risk management and disaster risk reduction.

Stewardship initiatives, such as the [Átl'ka7tsem/Howe Sound Marine Stewardship Initiative](#) and the [Coastal Restoration Society](#).

Assessments developed by First Nations, for example Tsleil-Waututh Nation Assessment of the Trans Mountain Pipeline and Tanker Expansion Proposal.

[Engaging on Canada's Blue Economy Strategy: What We Heard](#), the Government of Canada's summary of feedback from Indigenous peoples and Canadians on how best to shape a national Blue Economy Strategy.

Policy and legislative initiatives, including updates to the Agricultural Environmental Management Code of Practice, [Agricultural Environmental Management - Province of British Columbia \(gov.bc.ca\)](#).

The [Canada-BC Marine Protected Area Network Strategy](#), a coast-wide strategy outlining governments' approach to protecting the full suite of marine biodiversity through the establishment and management of MPAs.

The Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment (CCME) [Strategy on Zero Plastic Waste](#). The Strategy, approved in principle in 2018, is focused on preventing plastic waste, collecting all plastics (including through clean-up), and recovering value from plastics. In [Phase](#)

2 of this initiative, CCME is supporting national work to evaluate best policy options to increase collection and end-of-life management of fishing and aquaculture gear.

The [Pacific Coast Collaborative Statement of Cooperation on Leading the Transition to an Equitable and Prosperous Low-Carbon Resilient Future](#) was signed by the governments of B.C., Washington, California, and Oregon to support an equitable and just transition to a low carbon and climate resilient future, investments in climate infrastructure, such as green ports, and a clean and reliable; and to protect communities and natural and working lands from wildfire, drought, heat waves, ocean acidification and flooding.

MaPP North Vancouver Island Fisheries Economy Workshop Report and Recommendations. The workshop, held in March 2022 focused on identifying issues, stressors, trends, and opportunities in the marine fisheries economy. The report includes a suite of recommendations from industry, First Nations, stakeholder, local and regional government, and B.C. government participants.

B.C. Parks' Green Plan, which lays out objectives for Parks infrastructure and operations to mitigate emissions and maximize resilience to climate change effects. The Green Plan has a public education component that includes partnerships with the private sector, NGOs, and community groups on climate change-related projects.

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City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Finance Committee **Date:** March 8, 2023
From: Mike Ching, CPA, CMA **File:** 03-0900-01/2023-Vol
Director, Finance 01
Re: Revenue Anticipation Borrowing (2023) Bylaw No. 10445

Staff Recommendation

That Revenue Anticipation Borrowing (2023) Bylaw No. 10445 be introduced and given first, second and third readings.

Mike Ching, CPA, CMA
Director, Finance
(604-276-4137)

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Staff Report

Origin

The City of Richmond (the City) maintains a credit facility agreement with its bank, which includes: (i) \$15,000,000 in standby letters of credit, demand promissory notes or bank overdraft; (ii) \$4,500,000 in leasing lines of credit; and (iii) \$2,000,000 in commercial card credit facility. The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval and authorization of the proposed Revenue Anticipation Borrowing (2023) Bylaw No. 10445.

This bylaw requires annual review and adoption in accordance with Section 177 of the *Community Charter*.

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2022-2026 Focus Area #4 Responsible Financial Management and Governance:

Responsible financial management and efficient use of public resources to meet the needs of the community.

4.1 Ensure effective financial planning to support a sustainable future for the City.

Analysis

The City continues to maintain a sound financial position with access to cash and liquid investments to meet its financial obligations. Consistent with ongoing practice, it is prudent for the City to maintain an adequate level of credit facility as a contingency plan in the event that the City requires bridge funding to meet current lawful expenditures and obligations.

The City's Credit Facility Agreement

\$15,000,000 Standby Letters of Credits/Demand Promissory Notes/Bank Overdraft

- The purpose of the operating line of credit is to ensure that the City has a secondary source of credit in place to protect its bank accounts from the unlikely event of going into an overdraft position.
- Staff regularly monitor the City's cash flow position to prevent the possibility of having to draw down on the credit facility. The credit facility has never been utilized by the City.

\$4,500,000 Leasing Lines of Credit

- The purpose of the leasing lines of credit is to ensure that a leasing facility is available in the event it is required.

\$2,000,000 Commercial Credit Card Facility

- The purpose of the commercial credit card facility is to provide a convenient and cost-effective method of procuring and paying for low value goods and services.

The credit facilities are offered to the City by its bank at no charge unless they are being drawn upon. The following table summarizes the interest rates under the City's existing credit facility agreement:

	Operating Lines of Credit	Leasing Lines of Credit	Commercial Credit Card
Interest Rate	Scotiabank's prime lending rate minus 0.50%	Scotiabank's prime lending rate or leasing base rate plus 0.60%	Scotiabank's prime lending rate plus 12%
Grace Period	None	None	3 days after statement date

The current bank's prime lending rate at the time of this report is 6.70%.

Proposed Revenue Anticipation Borrowing (2023) Bylaw No.10445

The proposed Revenue Anticipation Borrowing (2023) Bylaw No.10445 does not automatically result in any borrowing upon adoption.

The purpose of maintaining these credit facilities is to ensure that they will be available in the event that funds are required to meet short-term operational cash flow needs. Should any of these credit facilities be utilized resulting in the City incurring interest charges for a consecutive period of more than two weeks, staff will prepare a memo to inform Council of such financial activity.

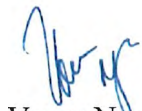
The Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw is required to be adopted annually by Council. There was no change to the credit facility arrangement since it was last adopted in 2022. Credit facility arrangements are reviewed with the bank at least once a year to evaluate the City's credit needs in determining the optimal level of credit facility balances to maintain.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

Staff recommend that the Revenue Anticipation Borrowing (2023) Bylaw No. 10445 be introduced and given first, second and third readings.



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 Manager, Treasury and Financial Services
 (604-276-4217)
 Att. Revenue Anticipation Borrowing (2023) Bylaw No. 10445



City of Richmond

Bylaw 10445

REVENUE ANTICIPATION BORROWING (2023) BYLAW NO. 10445

The Council of the City of Richmond enacts as follows:

1. Council shall be and is hereby empowered and authorized to borrow upon the credit of the City, from a financial institution, a sum not exceeding \$21,500,000 at such times as may be required.
2. The form of obligation to be given as acknowledgement of the liability shall be \$15,000,000 in the form of standby letters of credit, demand promissory notes or bank overdraft, \$4,500,000 in the form of leasing lines of credit, and \$2,000,000 in the form of commercial credit card facility.
3. All unpaid taxes and the taxes of the current year (2023) when levied or so much thereof as may be necessary shall, when collected, be used to repay the money so borrowed.
4. Revenue Anticipation Borrowing (2022) Bylaw No. 10368 is hereby repealed.
5. This Bylaw is cited as "Revenue Anticipation Borrowing (2023) Bylaw No. 10445".

FIRST READING

SECOND READING

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CORPORATE OFFICER



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Planning Committee
From: Wayne Craig
Director, Development

Date: March 22, 2023
File: RZ 22-009404

Re: **Application by Avtar Bhullar for Rezoning at 12260 Woodhead Road and a portion of 12288 Woodhead Road from the “Single Detached (RS1/F)” Zone and the “Single Detached (RS1/B)” Zone to the “Single Detached (RS2/B)” Zone**

Staff Recommendation

That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10449, for the rezoning of 12260 Woodhead Road and a portion of 12288 Woodhead Road from the “Single Detached (RS1/F)” zone and “Single Detached (RS1/B)” zone to the “Single Detached (RS2/B)” zone, be introduced and given first reading.

Wayne Craig
Director, Development
(604-247-4625)

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Staff Report

Origin

Avtar Bhullar, on behalf of Trine Developments Ltd. (Salindran Kaur Bhullar, Arjan Singh Bhullar, Pardeep Singh Bhullar and Sandeep Kaur Kang), Thi H. Nguyen and Hung T. Lu has applied to the City of Richmond for permission to rezone 12260 Woodhead Road and a 0.64 m wide (approximately 24.66 m² in area) portion of 12288 Woodhead Road from the “Single Detached (RS1/F)” zone and the “Single Detached (RS1/B)” zone respectively, to the “Single Detached (RS2/B)” zone to permit a subdivision to create three lots with vehicle access from Woodhead Road. A location map and aerial photo are provided in Attachment 1. A survey of the property identifying the proposed subdivision is provided in Attachment 2.

Findings of Fact

A Development Application Data Sheet with details about the development proposal is provided in Attachment 3.

Existing Site Condition and Context

The subject site is located on the south side of Woodhead Road, between No. 5 Road and McNeely Drive. Vehicle access to the subject site is currently via Woodhead Road.

Subject Site Existing Housing Profile

The subject site consists of a single-detached dwelling on 12260 Woodhead Road that is currently tenanted. The applicant has also indicated that there is an unauthorized two-bedroom secondary suite (approx. 92.9 m²) in the dwelling which is also currently tenanted. The existing dwelling at 12260 Woodhead Road is proposed to be removed.

The 0.64 m wide strip of land (24.66 m²) at 12288 Woodhead Road is currently vacant. The single-detached dwelling on the remaining portion of 12288 Woodhead Road is owner occupied, and no changes are proposed to the dwelling.

Surrounding Development

Existing development immediately surrounding the subject site is as follows:

To the North: Across Woodhead Road is King George/Cambie Community Park.

To the South: Single-detached dwellings on lots zoned "Single Detached (RS1/B)" fronting Cameron Drive.

To the East: Single-detached dwellings on lots zoned "Single Detached (RS1/B)" fronting Woodhead Road. The lots were rezoned and subdivided in 2005 (RZ 05-298266/SD 05-298267).

To the West: A single-detached dwelling constructed in the early 2000's zoned "Single Detached (RS1/F)".

Related Policies & Studies

Official Community Plan/ East Cambie Area Plan

The subject site is designated as "Neighbourhood Residential" in the 2041 Official Community Plan (OCP) and is located in the East Cambie Planning Area. The East Cambie Area Plan's Land Use Map designation for the subject site is "Residential (Single-Family Only)" (Attachment 4). The proposed rezoning and subdivision is consistent with these designations.

Single-Family Lot Size Policy 5472/ Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500

The subject site is located in the area governed by the Single-Family Lot Size Policy No. 5472, adopted by City Council in 2003 (Attachment 5). The Policy permits properties along Woodhead Road to be rezoned and subdivided in accordance with the provisions of the "Single Detached (RS2/B)" zone. The proposed rezoning and subdivision are consistent with this Policy. The proposed lots will be 12.0 m (39.37 ft.) wide and approximately 482.80 m² (5,196.82 ft²) in area which complies with the requirements of the Single-Family Lot Size Policy No. 5472 and the "Single Detached (RS2/B)" zone.

Aircraft Noise Sensitive Development Policy

The subject property is located within the Aircraft Noise Sensitive Development (ANSD) Policy Area 3. All new aircraft sensitive noise uses may be considered in this area, in accordance with the ANSD policies contained in the OCP. Registration of an aircraft noise sensitive use covenant on Title is required prior to final adoption of the rezoning bylaw to acknowledge that the subject lands are located within an aircraft noise sensitive area and that appropriate building design measures are incorporated to mitigate against aircraft noise.

Floodplain Management Implementation Strategy

The proposed redevelopment must meet the requirements of the Richmond Flood Plain Designation and Protection Bylaw 8204. Registration of a flood indemnity covenant on Title is required prior to final adoption of the rezoning bylaw.

Public Consultation

A rezoning sign has been installed on the subject property. Staff have not received any comments from the public about the rezoning application in response to the placement of the rezoning sign on the property.

Should the Planning Committee endorse this application and Council grant first reading to the rezoning bylaw, the bylaw will be forwarded to a Public Hearing, where any area resident or interested party will have an opportunity to comment. Public notification for the Public Hearing will be provided as per the *Local Government Act* and the City's *Zoning Bylaw 8500*.

Analysis

This redevelopment proposes to rezone and subdivide an existing single-family lot at 12260 Woodhead Road and a portion of 12288 Woodhead Road (approximately 24.66 m² in area) to create three new single family lots with vehicle access from Woodhead Road. This redevelopment proposal is consistent with the established pattern of redevelopment in the neighbourhood and Lot Size Policy 5472.

Existing Legal Encumbrances

There is an existing restrictive covenant (Registration No. BX461524) which was registered on Title for 12288 Woodhead Road in 2005 at the time of the rezoning of that property (RZ 05-298266). The covenant identifies the 0.64 m strip of land (an area of approximately 24.66 m²) to be a “no build area” until the area is transferred at a fair market value upon the future subdivision of 12260 Woodhead Road. The applicant has provided staff with a signed Contract of Purchase and Sale indicating an agreement by Trine Developments Ltd. to purchase the “no build area” from the owners of 12288 Woodhead Road. The covenant must be discharged from Title at subdivision stage.

The single-detached dwelling currently constructed at 12288 Woodhead Road, at its time of construction, was reviewed for compliance with its “Single Detached (RS1/B)” zoning designation with the recognition that the “no build area” could be transferred in the future. The proposed rezoning of the 0.64 m wide west-side strip of land at 12288 Woodhead Road will not impact the zoning compliance of the dwelling located at 12288 Woodhead Road (e.g. building setbacks and maximum floor area).

There is also an existing aircraft noise covenant on the Title of 12288 Woodhead Road (BX461525). As a condition of rezoning bylaw adoption, an aircraft noise sensitive use covenant will be registered on 12260 Woodhead Road. At the subdivision stage, the existing covenant applicable to the 0.64 m strip of land on the west side of the 12288 Woodhead Road (BX461525) is to be discharged, and the new aircraft noise sensitive use covenant for the future Lot 3 would be modified, as required, at the time of consolidation with the 0.64 m wide strip of land.

Transportation and Site Access

Vehicle access to the proposed lots is from Woodhead Road via separate driveways. A new sidewalk and landscaped boulevard is to be installed along the Woodhead Road frontage of the site as part of a Servicing Agreement outlined in the Site Servicing and Frontage Improvements section.

Affordable Housing Strategy

The City's Affordable Housing Strategy for single-family rezoning applications requires a secondary suite on 100 per cent of new lots created through single-family rezoning and subdivision applications; a secondary suite on 50 per cent of new lots created and a cash-in-lieu contribution to the City's Affordable Housing Reserve Fund of the total buildable area of the remaining lots; or a cash-in-lieu contribution of the total buildable area of all lots where a secondary suite cannot be accommodated in the development.

Consistent with the City's Affordable Housing Strategy, the applicant has proposed to provide a one-bedroom secondary suite of a minimum size of 42.79 m² (460 ft²) in each of the new dwellings, for a total of three secondary suites. Prior to final adoption of the rezoning bylaw, the applicant is required to register a legal agreement on Title stating that no final Building Permit inspection will be granted until the minimum one-bedroom (min. 42.79 m²) secondary suites are constructed to the satisfaction of the City in accordance with the BC Building Code and the City's Zoning Bylaw.

Tree Retention and Replacement

The applicant has submitted a Certified Arborist's Report; which identifies on-site and off-site tree species, assesses tree structure and condition, and provides recommendations on tree retention and removal relative to the proposed development. The Report assesses seven bylaw-sized trees on the subject property and one tree on a neighbouring property at 12591 Cameron Drive. There is a perimeter hedge by the south lot line of the site that is proposed to be retained and there are no street trees on any City property in proximity to the site.

The City's Tree Preservation Coordinator has reviewed the Arborist's Report and supports the Arborist's findings, with the following recommendations:

- Six trees (tag# 5892, 5893, 5894, 5895, 5897 and 5898) located on site are in good condition and are to be retained and protected. The protection zones for three trees (tag# 5893, 5894, and 5897) encroach into the building envelopes of the future single family buildings. In order to allow retention of these trees, enhanced front and side yard building setbacks will be required. A legal agreement will be registered on Title as a condition of rezoning to ensure upon Building Permit issuance that no portion of any structure proposed on any of the lots encroaches into the Tree Protection Zones as identified in the Tree Management Plan (Attachment 6). Tree protection is to be provided in accordance with the City of Richmond's Tree Protection Information Bulletin Tree 03.
- One tree (tag# OS1) located on an adjacent neighbouring property (12591 Cameron Drive) is to be retained and protected. Tree protection is to be provided in accordance with the City of Richmond's Tree Protection Information Bulletin Tree-03.
- One tree (tag# 5896) is to be relocated to the rear yard of Lot 2 with Arborist supervision. A Tree Survival Security of \$10,000.00 will be required and timing of tree relocation will be based on consultation and letter of undertaking with Arborist and tree moving company. Irrigation will also be required to be installed after the tree is removed.
- A non-bylaw sized hedge is proposed to be retained in the rear yard. The retention of the hedge will be further reviewed as part of the Servicing Agreement for site servicing.

Tree Relocation and Planting

The applicant has agreed to relocate one on-site tree (tag # 5896) to the rear yard of Lot 2, and provide two additional new trees in the rear yards of Lot 1 and Lot 3. The proposed additional trees are to be of the following minimum sizes.

No. of Trees	Minimum Caliper of Deciduous Tree	or	Minimum Height of Coniferous Tree
2	8.0 cm		4.0 m

To ensure that the two new trees are planted and maintained on each new lot, the applicant is required to submit a Landscaping Security in the amount of \$1,500.00 (\$750/tree) prior to the final adoption of the rezoning bylaw. Securities will be held until a landscaping inspection has been passed by City staff after construction and landscaping has been completed. The City may retain a portion of the security for a one-year maintenance period to ensure that the landscaping survives. To accompany the landscaping security, a legal agreement that sets the terms for release of the security must be entered into between the applicant and the City.

Tree Protection

Six on-site trees (tag# 5892, 5893, 5894, 5895, 5897 and 5898) and one tree (tag# OS1) on a neighbouring property are to be retained and protected. Protection of Tree tag# 5896 will also be required until relocation to the rear yard occurs. The applicant has submitted a tree management plan showing the trees to be retained and the measures taken to protect them during development stage (Attachment 6). The protection zones for three trees (tag# 5893, 5894, and 5897) encroach into the building envelopes of the future single family buildings. Additional building setbacks and modification will be required to accommodate the retention of the trees. A non-bylaw perimeter hedge at the south of the site is also proposed to be retained. To ensure that the trees identified for retention are protected, at development stage, the applicant is required to complete the following items:

- A legal agreement will be registered on Title as a condition of rezoning to ensure upon Building Permit issuance that no portion of any structure proposed on any of the lots encroaches into the Tree Protection Zones as identified in the Tree Management Plan (Attachment 6). Final plans to be provided prior to rezoning adoption to the satisfaction of the Director, Development.
- Prior to final adoption of the rezoning bylaw, submission of a Tree Survival Security to the City in the amount of \$55,000.00 for the six (6) trees (tag# 5892, 5893, 5894, 5895, 5897 and 5898) to be retained and one (1) tree (tag# 5896) to be relocated. To accompany the tree survival security, a legal agreement that sets the terms for release of the security must be entered into between the Applicant and the City.
- Prior to final adoption of the rezoning bylaw, submission to the City of a contract with a Certified Arborist for the supervision of all works conducted within or in close proximity to tree protection zones.

The contract must include the scope of work required, the number of proposed monitoring inspections at specified stages of construction, any special measures required to ensure tree protection, and a provision for the arborist to submit a post-construction impact assessment to the City for review.

- Prior to demolition of the existing dwelling on the subject site, installation of tree protection fencing around all trees to be retained. Tree protection fencing must be installed to City standard in accordance with the City's Tree Protection Information Bulletin Tree-03 prior to any works being conducted on-site, and remain in place until construction and landscaping on-site is completed.

Site Servicing and Frontage Improvements

At subdivision stage, the applicant is required to complete the following:

- Pay Development Cost Charges (City and GVS & DD and TransLink), School Site Acquisition Charge, Address Assignment Fees, and the current year's taxes.
- Discharge the existing covenant on the Title of 12288 Woodhead Road (i.e. BX461524); which restricts building on the 0.64 m strip of land on the west side of the property.
- Discharge the existing noise covenant on the Title of 12288 Woodhead Road (i.e. BX461525) for the 0.64 m strip of land on the west side of the property only, and modify the new aircraft noise sensitive use covenant for the future Lot 3, as may be required.
- Enter into a Servicing Agreement for the design and construction of the required site servicing works (water, storm, and sanitary service connections for the proposed lots) as well as for the frontage improvements. Complete details on the scope of work required as part of the Servicing Agreement are included in the Rezoning Considerations (Attachment 7).

Financial Impact

This rezoning application results in an insignificant Operational Budget Impact (OBI) for off-site City infrastructure (such as roadworks, waterworks, storm sewers, sanitary sewers, street lights, street trees and traffic signals).

Conclusion

This application is to rezone 12260 Woodhead Road and a portion of 12288 Woodhead Road from the "Single Detached (RS1/F) and Single Detached (RS1/B)" zone respectively, to the "Single Detached (RS2/B)" zone to permit a subdivision to create three lots.

This rezoning application complies with the land use designations and applicable policies for the subject site that are contained within the OCP, East Cambie Area Plan and the Single-Family Lot Size Policy 5472.

The list of rezoning considerations is included in Attachment 7, which has been agreed to by the applicant (signed concurrence on file).

It is recommended that Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10449 be introduced and given first reading.



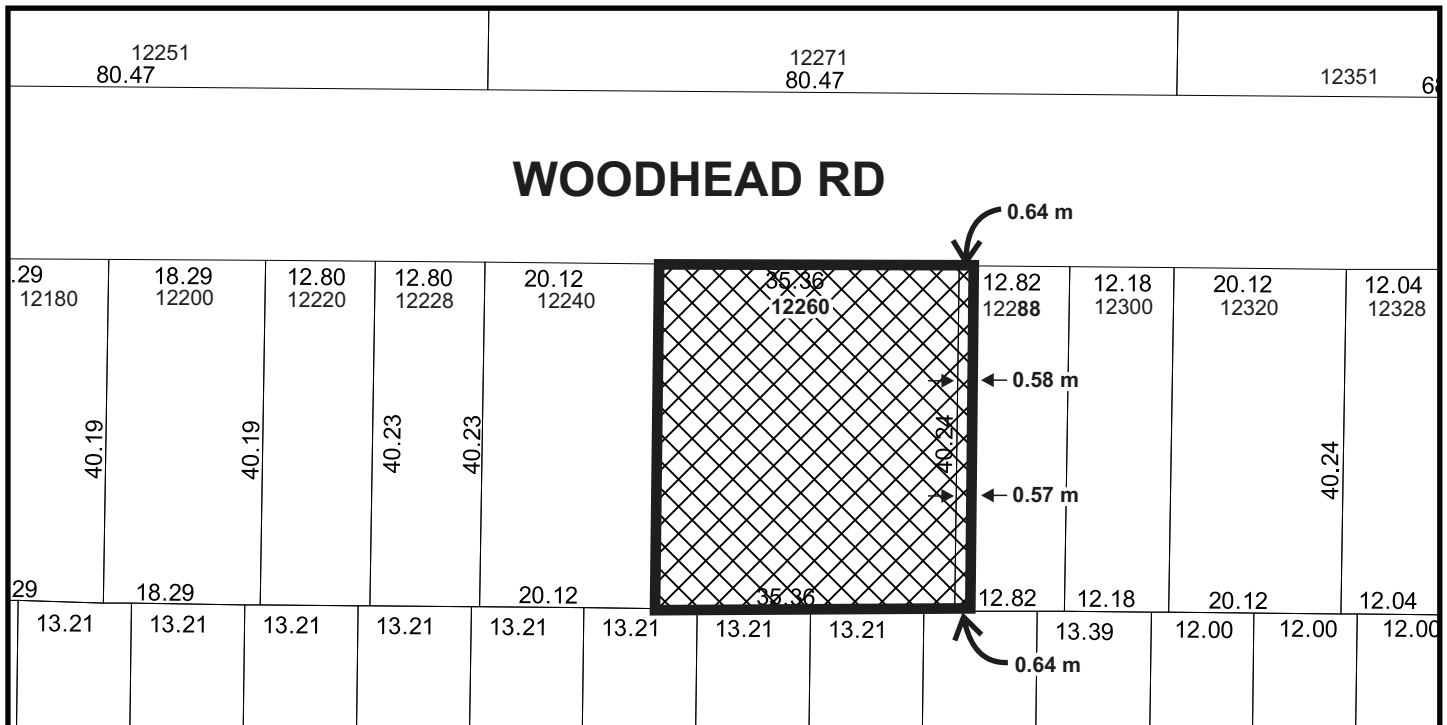
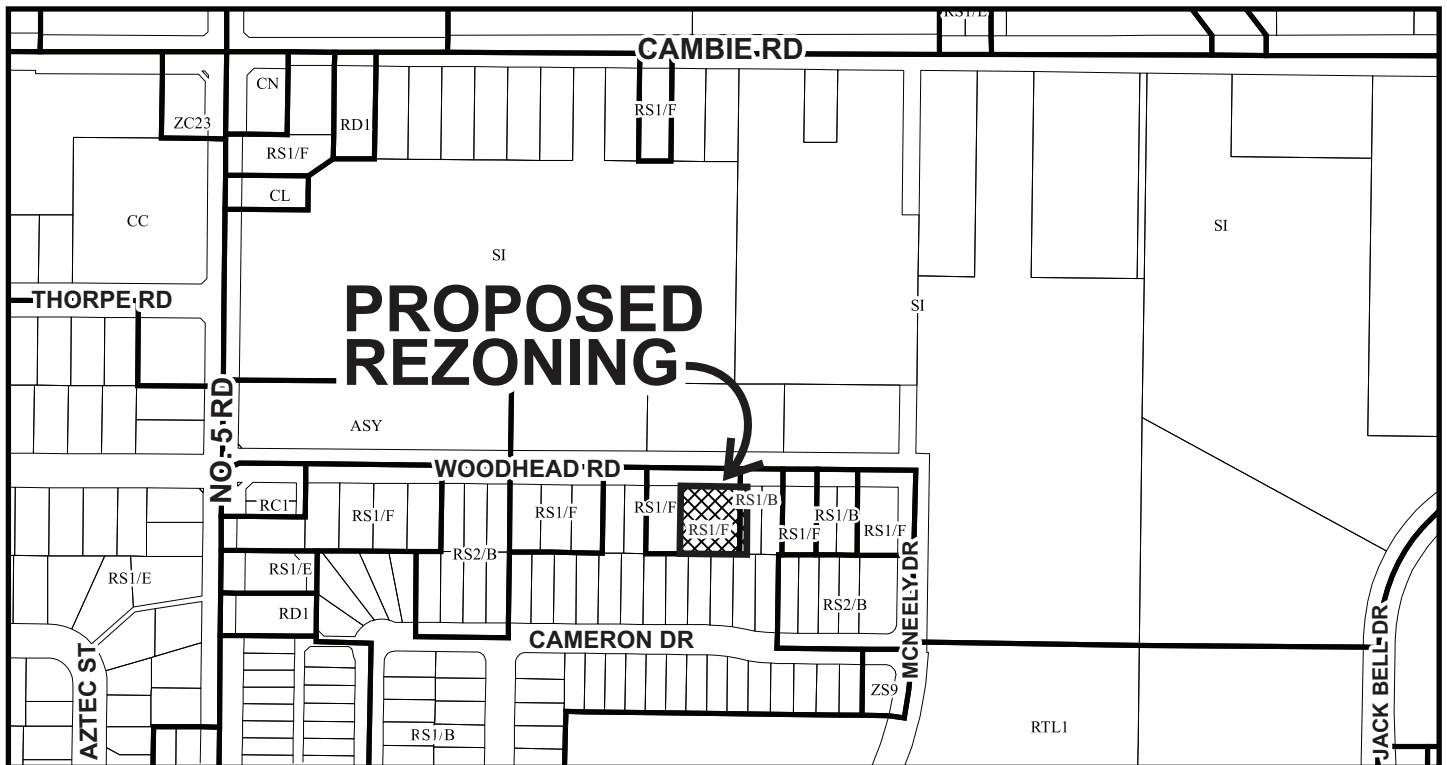
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- Att. 1: Location and Aerial Maps
 2: Survey and Subdivision Plan
 3: Development Application Data Sheet
 4: East Cambie Area Plan
 5: Lot Size Policy 5472
 6: Tree Protection Plan
 7: Rezoning Considerations



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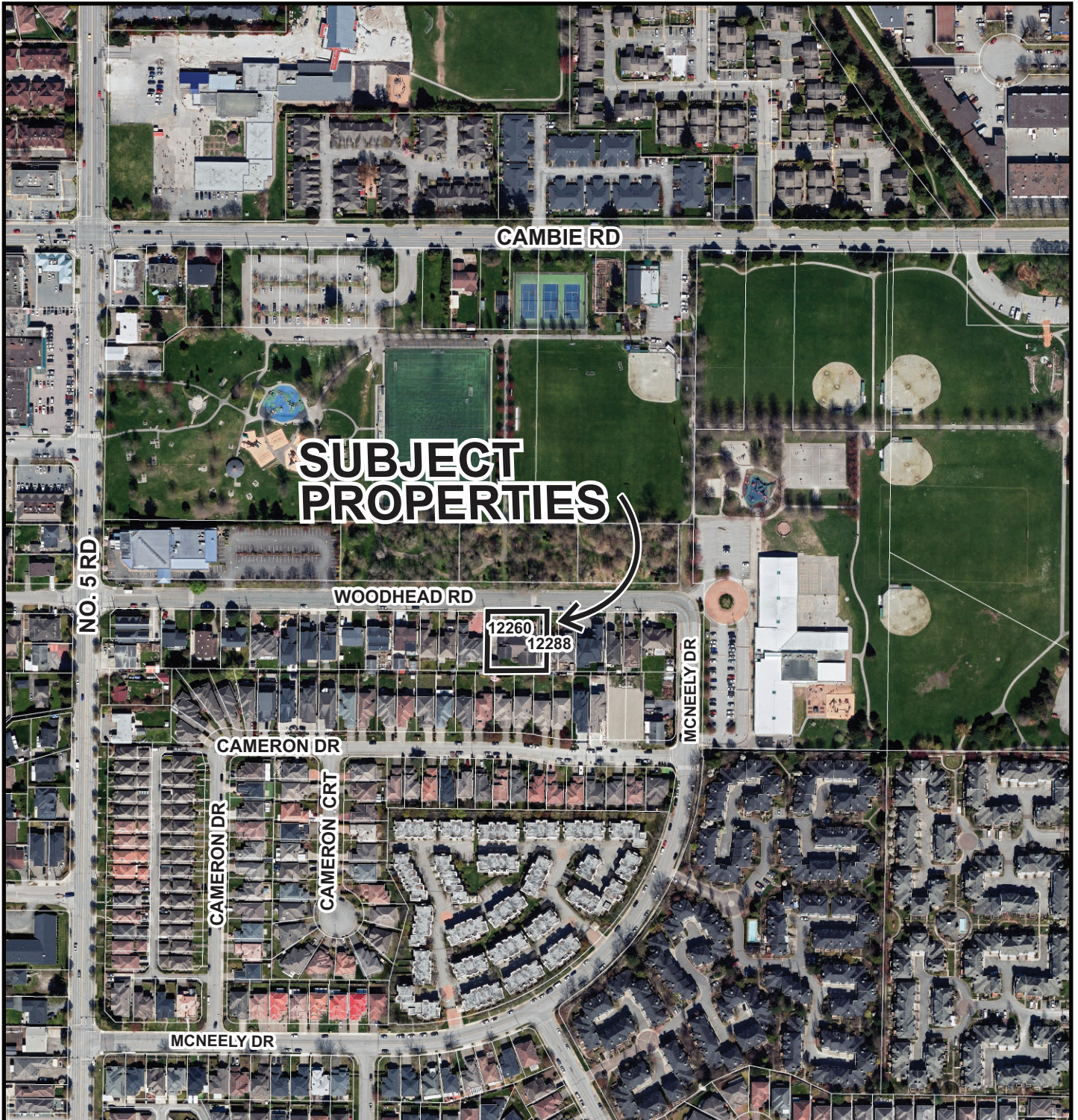
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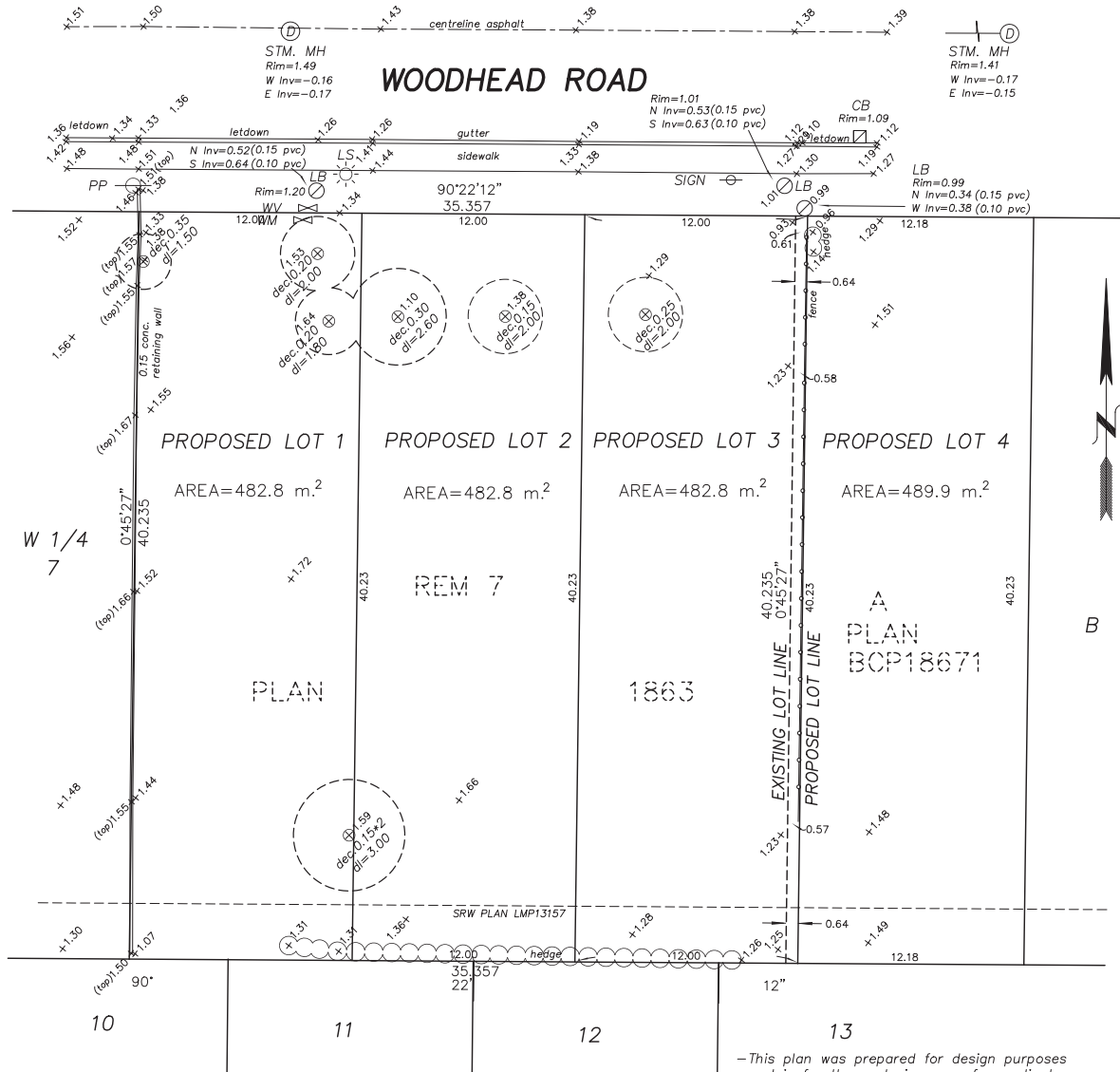
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Current Civic Address:
12260/12288—Woodhead Road
Richmond, B.C.
PID: 012-400-246

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SCALE : 1:250

(All distances are in metres)



GENERAL NOTES:

- All dimensions are in metres.
- This plan is NOT to be used for location of property lines.
- Elevations are based on City of Richmond Geodetic datum, monument 94H1624 HPN#190 elev.= 2.339m (CVD28GVRD 2018).
- On the subject lot, only trees with a diameter of at least 0.20m are shown
- This plan does not show non-plan charges, liens or interests.

LEGEND

LB	⊙	...denotes lawn basin
LS	☼	...denotes lamp standard
CB	⊠	...denotes catch basin
conc.		...denotes concrete
conif.		...denotes coniferous tree
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SIGN	⊙	...denotes sign
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14th DAY OF MARCH 2023
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Development Application Data Sheet
Development Applications Department

RZ 22-009404

Address: 12260 and 12288 Woodhead Road

Applicant: Avtar Bhullar

Planning Area(s): East Cambie

	Existing	Proposed
Owner	Trine Developments Ltd, Thi H. Nguyen and Hung T. Lu	To be determined
Site Size	12260 Woodhead Road – 1422.54 m ² 12288 Woodhead Road – 26.1 m ²	Lot 1 – 482.80 m ² Lot 2 – 482.80 m ² Lot 3 – 482.80 m ²
Land Uses	One (1) Single-detached dwelling	Three (3) Single-detached dwellings
OCP Designation	Neighbourhood Residential (NRES)	No change
Area Plan Designation	Residential (Single-Family Only)	No change
702 Policy Designation	Single-Family Housing District Subdivision Area B (RS2/B)	No change
Zoning	Single Detached (RS1/F) Single Detached (RS1/B)	Single Detached (RS2/B)
Other Designation	Aircraft Noise Sensitive Development Policy – Moderate Aircraft Noise Area (Area 3)	No change

On Future Subdivided Lots		Bylaw Requirement	Proposed	Variance
Floor Area Ratio (FAR)		Max. 0.55 to a max lot area of 464.5 m ² with an FAR of 0.30 to the balance of the lot area in excess of 464.5 m ²	Max. 0.55 to a max lot area of 464.5 m ² with an FAR of 0.30 to the balance of the lot area in excess of 464.5 m ²	None Permitted
Buildable Floor Area*		Max. 260.96 m ² (2,808.95 ft ²)	Max. 260.96 m ² (2,808.95 ft ²)	None Permitted
Lot Coverage (% of lot area)	Building	Max. 45%	Max. 45%	None
	Non-porous Surfaces	Max. 70%	Max. 70%	
	Live landscaping	Max. 25%	Max. 25%	
Lot Area (per lot)		Min. 360.0 m ²	482.40 m ²	None
Lot Dimensions	Width	Min. 12.0 m	12.0 m	None
	Depth	Min. 24.0 m	40.23 m	
Setbacks	Front	Min. 6.0 m	Min. 6.0 m	None
	Side	Min. 1.2 m	Min. 1.2 m	

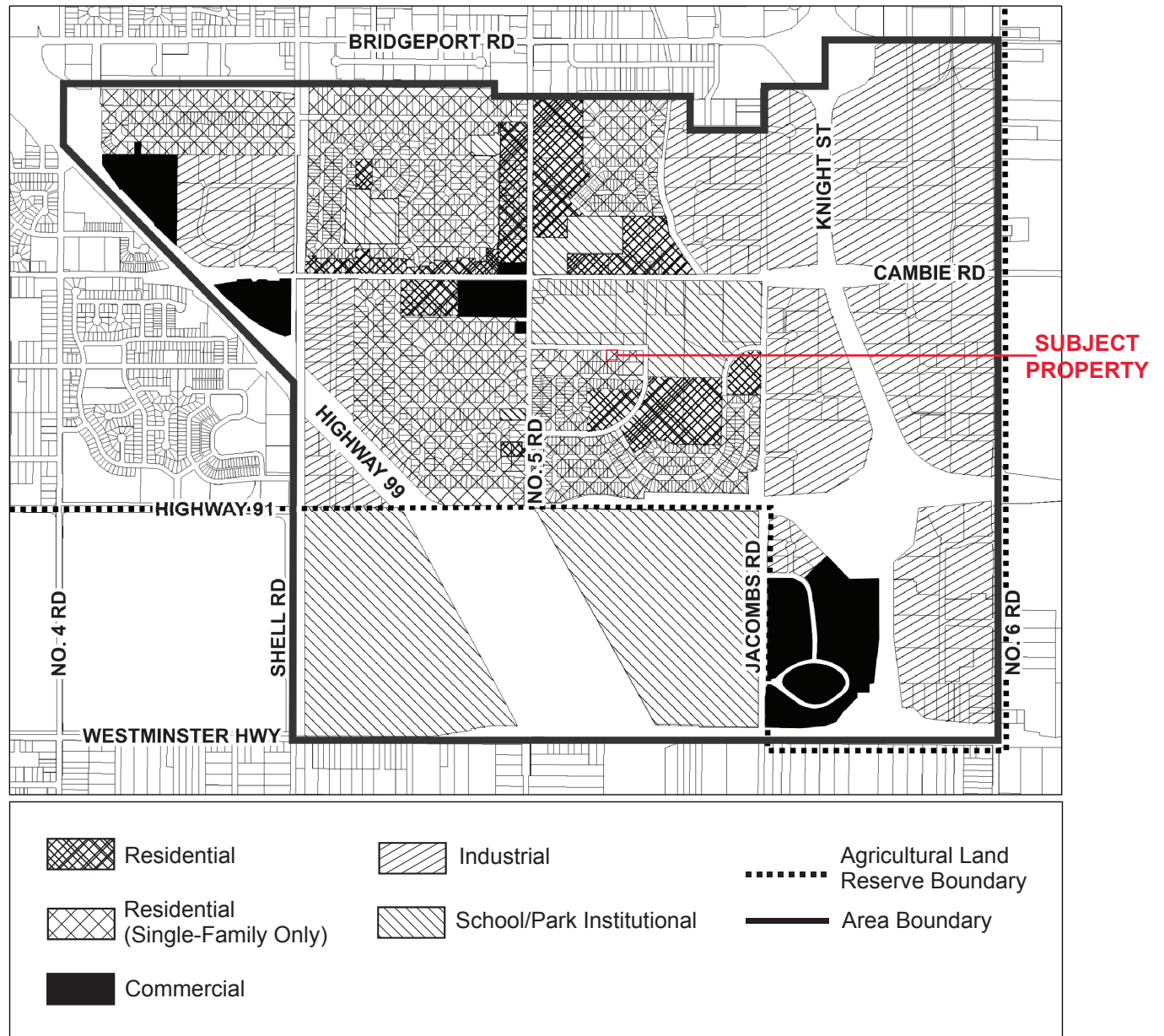
On Future Subdivided Lots		Bylaw Requirement	Proposed	Variance
	Rear	Minimum, - greater of 6.0 m, or - 20% of the total lot depth, for up to 60% of the rear wall of the first storey; and - 25% of the lot depth for the remaining 40% of the first storey rear wall and any second storey or half storey above; up to a maximum setback of 10.7 m	Minimum, - 8.05 m, for up to 60% of the first storey rear wall; and - 10.06 m for the remaining 40% of the first storey rear wall and any second storey or half storey above; up to a maximum setback of 10.7 m	
Height		2 ½ storeys at Max. 9.0 m	2 ½ storeys at Max. 9.0 m	None
Parking Spaces (per lot)	Principal dwelling	2 spaces	2 spaces	None
	Secondary suite	1 space	1 space	

* Preliminary estimate; not inclusive of garage; exact building size to be determined through zoning bylaw compliance review at Building Permit stage.

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Land Use Map

Bylaw 8948
2016/10/24



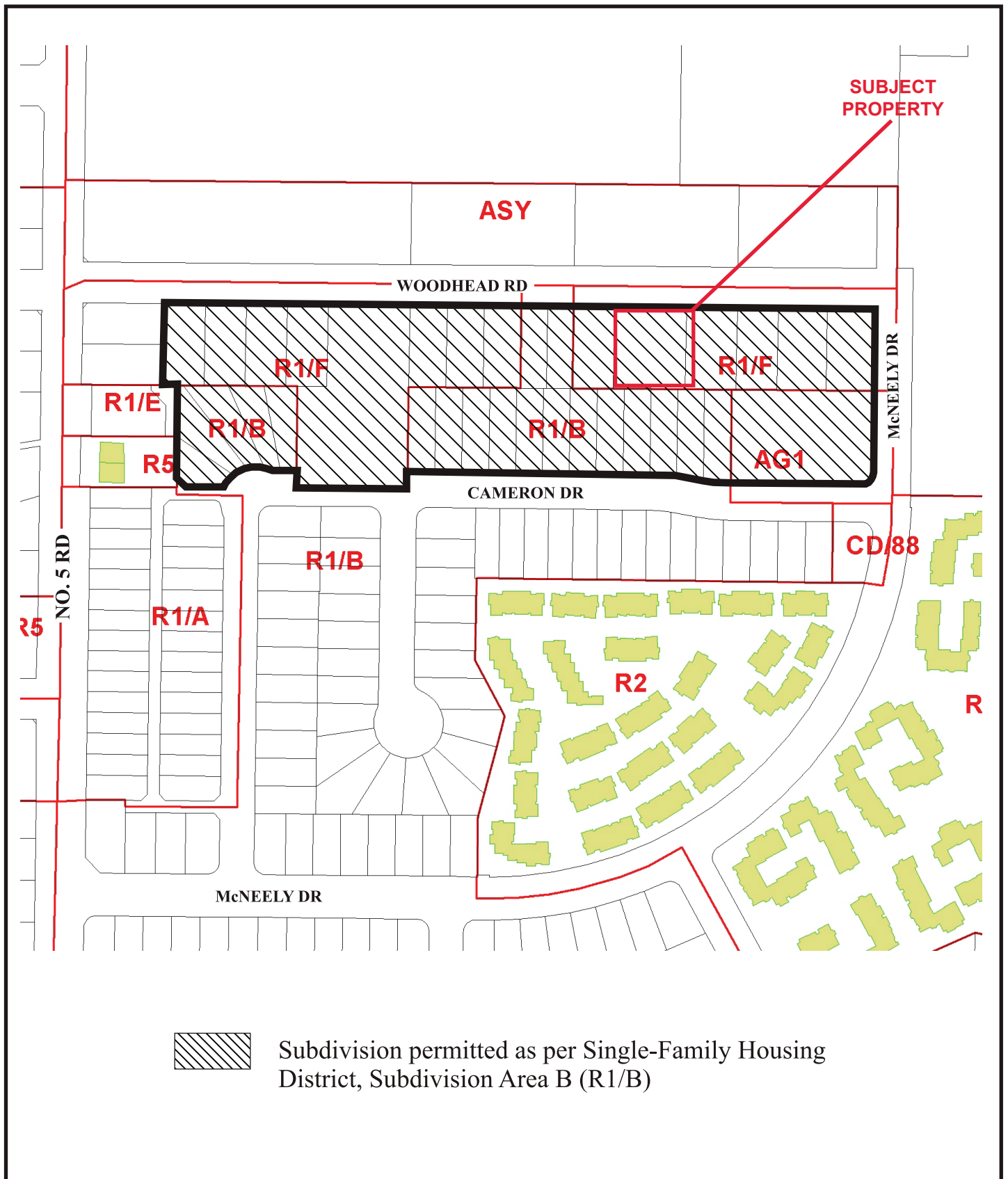


POLICY 5472:

The following policy establishes lot sizes in the area generally bounded by **No. 5 Road, Woodhead Road, McNeely Drive and Cameron Drive** (Section 31-5-5):

That properties generally located east of No. 5 Road along Woodhead Road, McNeely Drive and Cameron Drive, in a portion of Section 31-5-5, be permitted to subdivide in accordance with the provisions of Single-Family Housing District, Subdivision Area B (R1/B) in Zoning and Development Bylaw 5300.

This policy, as shown on the accompanying plan, is to be used to determine the disposition of future rezoning applications in this area, for a period of not less than five years, unless changed by the amending procedures contained in the Zoning and Development Bylaw.

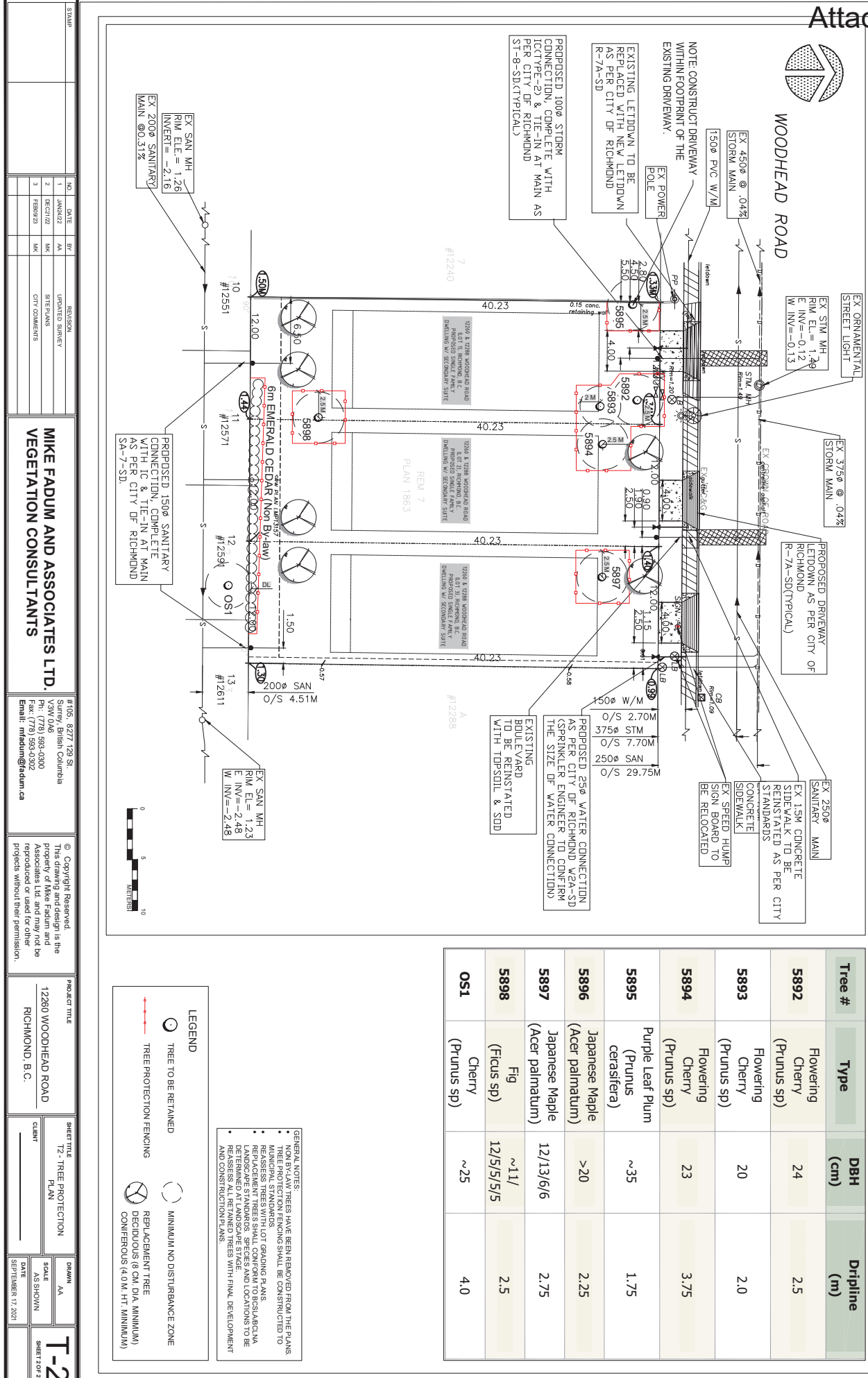


Policy 5472 Section 31, 5-5

Adopted Date: 12/15/03

Amended Date:

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Address: 12260 and 12288 Woodhead Road

File No.: RZ 22-009404

Prior to final adoption of Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10449, the applicant is required to complete the following:

1. Submission of a Landscape Security in the amount of \$1,500.00 (\$750/tree) to ensure that a total of two (2) new trees are planted and maintained in the rear yard of Lot 1 and Lot 3 with the following minimum sizes;

No. of Replacement Trees	Minimum Caliper of Deciduous Replacement Tree	or	Minimum Height of Coniferous Replacement Tree
2	8.0 cm		4.0 m

The City will release 90% of the security after construction and landscaping on the future lots is completed, and a landscaping inspection is approved. The remaining 10% of the security will be released one (1) year later, subject to inspection, to ensure the replacement trees have survive. To accompany the landscaping security, a legal agreement that sets the terms for release of the security must be entered into between the Applicant and the City.

2. Submission of a Contract entered into between the applicant and a Certified Arborist for supervision of any on-site works conducted within the tree protection zone of the trees to be retained (tag# 5892, 5893, 5894, 5895, 5897, 5898 and OS1, including a non-bylaw perimeter hedge at the south of the site). The Contract should include the scope of work to be undertaken, including: relocation of tree tag# 5896 to the rear yard of Lot 2 is to be done with Arborist supervision, the proposed number of site monitoring inspections, and a provision for the Arborist to submit a post-construction assessment report to the City for review.
3. Submission of a Tree Survival Security to the City in the amount of \$55,000.00 [\$45,000.00 for the six (6) trees (tag# 5892, 5893, 5894, 5895, 5897 and 5898) to be retained and \$10,000.00 for one (1) tree (tag# 5896) to be relocated to the rear of proposed Lot 2]. To accompany the tree survival security, a legal agreement that sets the terms for release of the security must be entered into between the Applicant and the City.
4. Installation of appropriate tree protection fencing around all trees to be retained as part of the development prior to any construction activities, including building demolition, occurring on-site.
5. Registration of an aircraft noise sensitive use covenant on title.
6. Registration of a flood indemnity covenant on title (2.9 m GSC – Area A).
7. Registration of a legal agreement on Title to ensure that no final Building Permit inspection is granted until a minimum one-bedroom secondary suite is constructed on all (Lot 1, Lot 2 and Lot 3) of the three future lots, to the satisfaction of the City in accordance with the BC Building Code and the City's Zoning Bylaw. Each of the proposed one-bedroom secondary suites must have a minimum size of 42.79 m² (455 ft²).
8. Registration of a legal agreement on Title to ensure that upon Building Permit issuance that no portion of any structure proposed on any of the proposed lots encroaches into the Tree Protection Zones as identified in the Tree Management Plan, or as otherwise permitted by the Director, Building Approvals.
9. Payment of all fees in full for the cost associated with the Public Hearing Notices, consistent with the City's Consolidated Fees Bylaw No 8636, as amended.

Prior to Demolition Permit* Issuance, the applicant must complete the following requirements:

1. Installation of tree protection fencing around all trees to be retained (i.e. trees tag# 5892, 5893, 5894, 5895, 5897, 5898 and OS1, as well as a non-bylaw perimeter hedge at the south of the site). Tree protection fencing must be installed to City standard in accordance with the Arborist's Report recommendations and the City's Tree Protection Information Bulletin Tree-03 prior to any works being conducted on-site, and must remain in place until construction and landscaping on-site is completed.

At Subdivision* stage, the applicant must complete the following requirements:

1. Discharge the existing covenant on the Title of 12288 Woodhead Road (i.e. BX461524); which restricts building on the 0.64 m strip of land on the west side of the property.
2. Discharge the existing noise covenant on the Title of 12288 Woodhead Road (i.e. BX461525) for the 0.64 m strip of land on the west side of the property only and modification of the aircraft noise sensitive use covenant identified in item #5 above, as may be required.
3. Pay Development Cost Charges (City and GVS & DD and TransLink), School Site Acquisition Charge, Address Assignment Fees, and the current year's taxes;
4. Enter into a Servicing Agreement (SA)* for the design and construction of engineering infrastructure improvements. A Letter of Credit or cash security for the value of the Service Agreement works, as determined by the City, will be required as part of entering into the Servicing Agreement. Works include, but may not be limited to,

I. Frontage Improvements

- a) Sidewalk/boulevard:
 - (1) Concrete sidewalk (1.5 m wide) next to the existing south curb of the site fronting section of Woodhead Road.
 - (2) Landscaped boulevard with street trees over the remaining space between the sidewalk and the subject site's north property line.
- b) Driveway closures/backfills/re-construction:
 - (1) All existing driveways at the subject site's Woodhead Road frontage are to be closed permanently. The Applicant is responsible for the removal of all existing driveway let-downs and the replacement with barrier curb/gutter, boulevard with street trees and concrete sidewalk per standards described under Item I (a) above.
 - (2) New driveways for the three subdivided lots are to be built per comments noted below:
 - Lot 1: Driveway is to be placed 1.65 m from the west common property line with the immediate west neighbouring site.
 - Lots 2 and 3: The two driveways are to be paired (i.e. located by the common property line) with each driveway placed 1.65 m from the same common property line between the two subdivided lots. (For tree retention reasons, the Lot 3 driveway may need to be relocated to the east. As such, the driveway pairing requirement can be waived).
 - Note that the 1.65 m separation is measured from the back of the driveway let-down along the site road fronting property line. Refer to Bylaw 7222 for details.
- c) Parks/Tree Bylaw requirements:

Consult Parks/Tree Bylaw on the requirements for tree protection/placement including tree species and spacing as part of the frontage works.
- d) Engineering requirements:

Consult Engineering on lighting and other utility requirements as part of the frontage works.

II. Water Works

- a) Using the OCP Model, there is 191 L/s of water available at a 20 psi residual at the Woodhead Rd frontage. Based on your proposed development, your site requires a minimum fire flow of 95 L/s.
- b) At Applicant's cost, the Applicant is required to:
 - (1) Submit Fire Underwriter Survey (FUS) or International Organization for Standardization (ISO) fire flow calculations to confirm development has adequate fire flow for onsite fire protection. Calculations must be signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer and be based on Building Permit Stage building designs.
 - (2) Cut and cap all existing water service connections and remove all existing water meters.
 - (3) Install a new 25 mm diameter water service connection, complete with water meter and water meter box to service proposed lot #1 as per City specifications to service the site.
 - (4) Install a new 25 mm diameter water service connection, complete with water meter and water meter box to service proposed lot #2 as per City specifications to service the site.
 - (5) Install a new 25 mm diameter water service connection, complete with water meter and water meter box to service proposed lot #3 as per City specifications to service the site.

- (6) Provide a right-of-way for the water meter. Minimum right-of-way dimensions to be the size of the meter box (from the City of Richmond supplementary specifications) + any appurtenances (for example, the bypass on W2n-SD) + 0.5 m on all sides. Exact right-of-way dimensions to be finalized during the building permit process.

c) At Applicant's cost, the City will:

- (1) Complete all tie-ins for the proposed works to existing City infrastructure.

III. Storm Sewer Works

a) At Applicant's cost, the Applicant is required to:

- (1) Provide an erosion and sediment control plan for all on-site and off-site works, to be reviewed as part of the servicing agreement design.
- (2) Cut and cap all existing storm sewer service connections and inspection chambers servicing the proposed site.
- (3) Install a new dual storm sewer service connection at the shared PL of Lot #1 and lot #2 to service Lots #1 and #2, complete with inspection chamber. Ensure the ICs are not installed in the driveway.
- (4) Install a new storm sewer service connection to service Lot #3, complete with inspection chamber and a service lead. Ensure the ICs are not installed in the driveway.

b) At Applicant's cost, the City will:

- (1) Complete all tie-ins for the proposed works to existing City infrastructure.

IV. Sanitary Sewer Works

a) At Applicant's cost, the Applicant is required to:

- (1) Not start onsite excavation or foundation construction until completion of rear-yard sanitary works by City crews.
- (2) Install a new sanitary sewer service connection to service Lot #1, complete with inspection chamber and a service lead.
- (3) Inspect the existing sanitary service connection near the south property line of the site. If in good condition, re-use the service connection, complete with inspection chamber and service lead for proposed Lot #2, as per standard City drawings.
- (4) Install a new sanitary sewer service connection to service Lot #3, complete with inspection chamber and a service lead.

b) At Applicant's cost, the City will:

- (1) Complete all tie-ins for the proposed works to existing City infrastructure.

V. General Items

a) At Applicant's cost, the Applicant is required to:

- (1) Complete other frontage improvements as per Transportation requirements.
- (2) Not encroach into City rights-of-ways with any proposed trees, retaining walls, or other non-removable structures. Retaining walls proposed to encroach into rights-of-ways must be reviewed by the City's Engineering Department.
- (3) Coordinate with BC Hydro, Telus and other private communication service providers:
 - To pre-duct for future hydro, telephone and cable utilities along all road frontages.
 - Before relocating/modifying any of the existing power poles and/or guy wires within the property frontages.
 - To underground overhead service lines.

Prior to Building Permit Issuance, the applicant must complete the following requirements:

1. Submission of a Construction Parking and Traffic Management Plan to the Transportation Department. Management Plan shall include location for parking for services, deliveries, workers, loading, application for any lane closures, and

proper construction traffic controls as per Traffic Control Manual for works on Roadways (by Ministry of Transportation) and MMCD Traffic Regulation Section 01570.

2. Obtain a Building Permit (BP) for any construction hoarding. If construction hoarding is required to temporarily occupy a public street, the air space above a public street, or any part thereof, additional City approvals and associated fees may be required as part of the Building Permit. For additional information, contact the Building Approvals Department at 604-276-4285.

Note:

- * This requires a separate application.
- Where the Director of Development deems appropriate, the preceding agreements are to be drawn not only as personal covenants of the property owner but also as covenants pursuant to Section 219 of the Land Title Act.

All agreements to be registered in the Land Title Office shall have priority over all such liens, charges and encumbrances as is considered advisable by the Director of Development. All agreements to be registered in the Land Title Office shall, unless the Director of Development determines otherwise, be fully registered in the Land Title Office prior to enactment of the appropriate bylaw.

The preceding agreements shall provide security to the City including indemnities, warranties, equitable/rent charges, letters of credit and withholding permits, as deemed necessary or advisable by the Director of Development. All agreements shall be in a form and content satisfactory to the Director of Development.

- Additional legal agreements, as determined via the subject development's Servicing Agreement(s) and/or Development Permit(s), and/or Building Permit(s) to the satisfaction of the Director of Engineering may be required including, but not limited to, site investigation, testing, monitoring, site preparation, de-watering, drilling, underpinning, anchoring, shoring, piling, pre-loading, ground densification or other activities that may result in settlement, displacement, subsidence, damage or nuisance to City and private utility infrastructure.
- Applicants for all City Permits are required to comply at all times with the conditions of the Provincial *Wildlife Act* and Federal *Migratory Birds Convention Act*, which contain prohibitions on the removal or disturbance of both birds and their nests. Issuance of Municipal permits does not give an individual authority to contravene these legislations. The City of Richmond recommends that where significant trees or vegetation exists on site, the services of a Qualified Environmental Professional (QEP) be secured to perform a survey and ensure that development activities are in compliance with all relevant legislation.

(Signed concurrence on file)

Signed

Date



**Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500
Amendment Bylaw 10449 (RZ 22-009404)
12260 Woodhead Road and a portion of 12288 Woodhead Road**

The Council of the City of Richmond, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. The Zoning Map of the City of Richmond, which accompanies and forms part of Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, is amended by repealing the existing zoning designation of the following area and by designating it “**SINGLE DETACHED (RS2/B)**”.

That area shown cross-hatched on “Schedule A attached to and forming part of Bylaw No. 10449”

2. This Bylaw may be cited as “**Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10449**”.

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SECOND READING

THIRD READING

OTHER CONDITIONS SATISFIED

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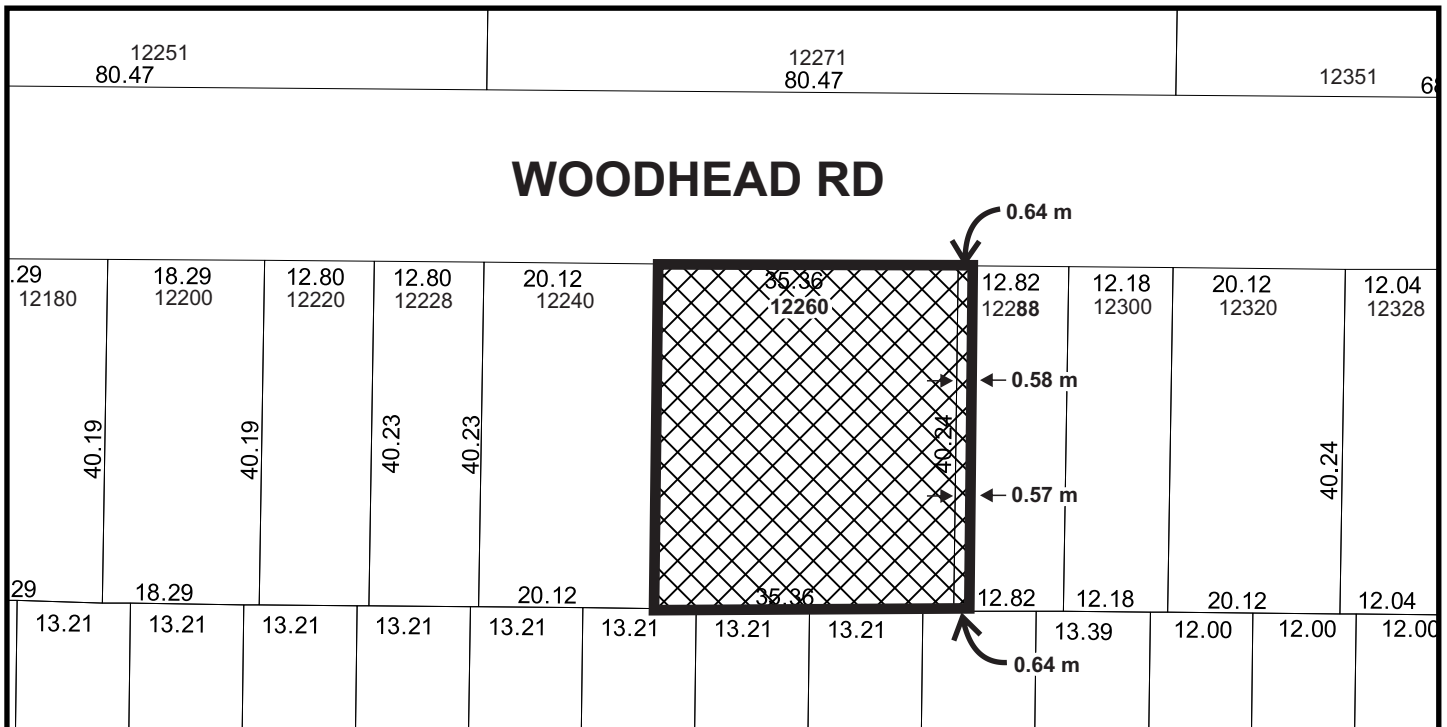
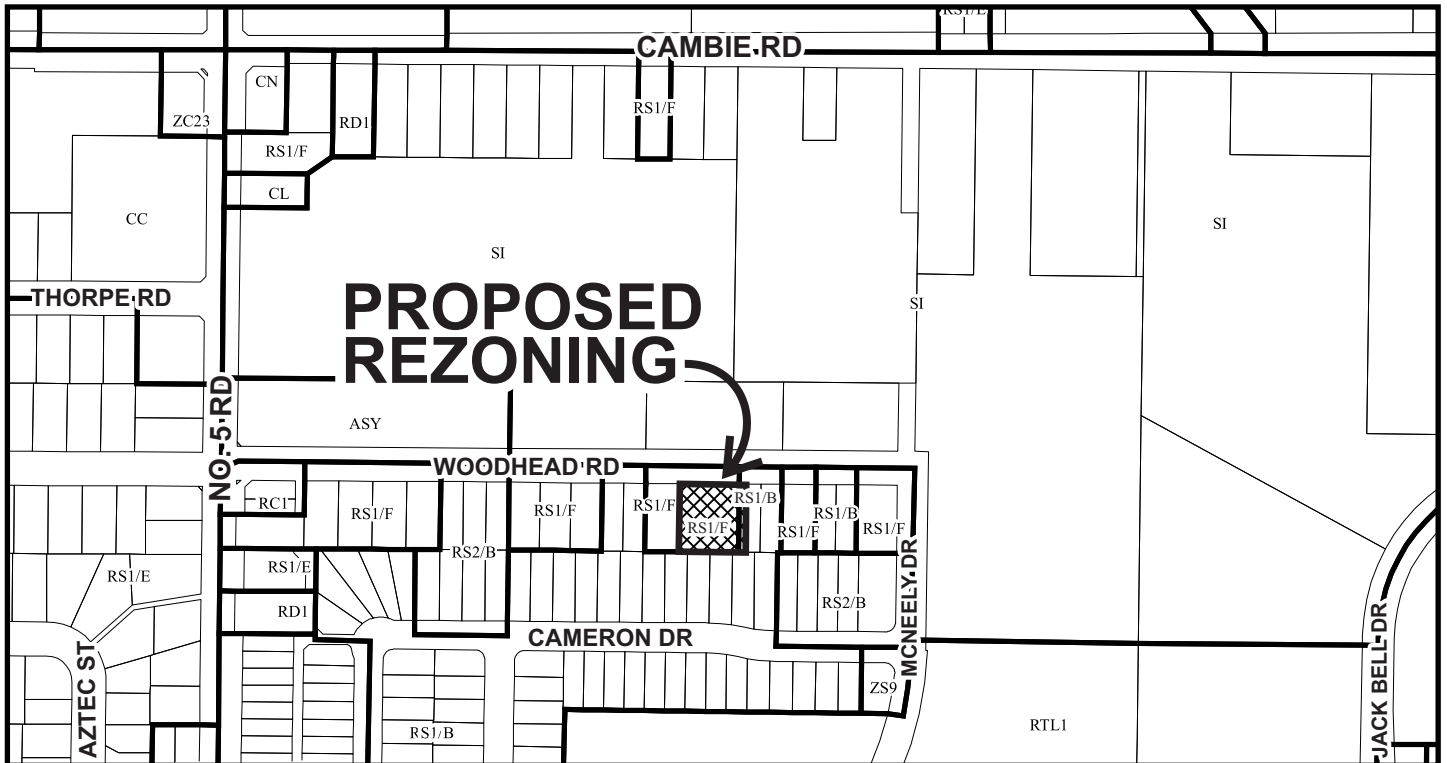
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City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Planning Committee
From: Wayne Craig
Director, Development

Date: March 21, 2023
File: RZ 17-777739

Re: Application by Ajit Aujla and New Villa Holdings for Rezoning at 8491 No. 4 Road from "Single Detached RS1/E" Zone to the "Coach House ZS31 – No. 4 Road" Zone

Staff Recommendation

1. That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10455 to create the "Coach House (ZS31) – No. 4 Road" zone, be introduced and given First Reading; and
2. That Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10456 to rezone 8491 No. 4 Road from "Single Detached (RS1/E)" zone to "Coach House (ZS31) – No. 4 Road" zone, be introduced and given First Reading.

Wayne Craig
Director, Development
(604-247-4625)

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Staff Report

Origin

Ajit Aujla and New Villa Holdings (Director: Raj Dhaliwal) have applied to the City of Richmond for permission to rezone the property at 8491 No. 4 Road from the “Single Detached (RS1/E)” zone to a new site-specific zone, “Coach House (ZS31) – No. 4 Road”. A map and aerial photograph showing the location of the subject site is included in Attachment 1. The proposed rezoning would permit the property to be subdivided to create two lots (Attachment 2), each with a principal dwelling and an accessory coach house above a detached garage, with vehicle access from the existing rear lane (Attachment 3).

A new site-specific zone is being introduced to facilitate the proposed lot depth of 34.6 m (113.5 ft.), which does not meet the minimum required lot depth of the standard “Coach Houses (RCH1)” zone of 35.0 m (114.8 ft.). The proposed site-specific zone is identical in all provisions to the standard “Coach Houses (RCH1)” zone, but allows for a reduced lot depth.

Findings of Fact

A Development Application Data Sheet providing details about the development proposal is attached (Attachment 4).

Subject Site Existing Housing Profile

There is an existing single-family dwelling on the subject property, which is proposed to be demolished. The applicant has confirmed the single-family dwelling is currently rented, and does not contain any secondary suites.

Surrounding Development

Development immediately surrounding the subject site is as follows:

To the North: Single-family dwellings on lots zoned “Single Detached (RS1/E)” and further north “Compact Single Detached (RC1)” fronting No. 4 Road.

To the South: Single-family dwellings on lots zoned “Single Detached (RS1/E)” and further south “Compact Single Detached (RC1)” fronting No. 4 Road.

To the East: Across No. 4 Road, single-family dwellings on agricultural lots included in the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR), zoned “Agriculture (AG1)”.

To the West: Across the rear lane, single-family dwellings on lots zoned “Single Detached (RS1/B)” fronting Allison Court.

Related Policies & Studies

Official Community Plan/ Broadmoor Area – Ash Street Sub-Area Plan

The Official Community Plan (OCP) land use designation for the subject site is “Neighbourhood Residential” (NRES). The Broadmoor Area – Ash Street Sub-Area Plan designates the site as “small lots or large lots” (Attachment 5). The proposal is consistent with these designations.

Arterial Road Land Use Policy

The Arterial Road Land Use Policy identifies the subject site as “Arterial Road Compact Lot Single Detached”, which allows for compact lot single detached or compact lot coach house development. The Arterial Road Land Use Policy requires all compact lot development to be accessed from an operational municipal lane only. Compact lot single detached (single detached housing with a secondary suite) is permitted on all compact lots with a minimum of 9 m width. Compact lot coach house (single detached housing with a detached coach house unit) is permitted on compact lots with a minimum 35 m lot depth. This proposal is to create a site-specific zone to allow for coach houses on lots with a minimum 34.5 m lot depth.

The Policy identifies that Rezoning for the construction of a coach house along an arterial road may be considered on isolated sites identified for Arterial Road Compact Lot Single Detached on the Arterial Road Housing Development map based on its own merit. The subject development has demonstrated that they are able to achieve all zoning and policy requirements on a slightly reduced lot depth so the proposed development is consistent with this Policy.

Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) Buffer Zone

Consistent with the OCP guidelines, the applicant is required prior to final adoption of the rezoning bylaw, to register a legal agreement on Title to ensure that a 4.0 m wide landscaped Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) buffer (as measured from the east property line) along No. 4 Road is maintained and will not be abandoned or removed. The legal agreement will also identify that the property is potentially subject to impacts of noise, dust and odour resulting from agricultural operations. Submission of a Landscape Plan and cash securities to ensure the buffer area is appropriately landscaped is required prior to rezoning bylaw adoption. A preliminary landscape plan is included as Attachment 6, and is subject to further review to ensure that the plan meets all OCP guidelines. The application was not referred to the Agricultural Advisory Committee (AAC), as the committee has requested to review only higher density proposals near ALR land, and relies on staff to secure the landscaped buffer and legal agreement for single-family development.

Floodplain Management Implementation Strategy

The proposed redevelopment must meet the requirements of the Richmond Flood Plain Designation and Protection Bylaw 8204. Registration of a flood indemnity covenant on Title is required prior to final adoption of the rezoning bylaw.

Public Consultation

A rezoning sign has been installed on the subject property. Staff have not received any comments from the public about the rezoning application in response to the placement of the rezoning sign on the property.

Should the Planning Committee endorse this application and Council grant first reading to the rezoning bylaw, the bylaw will be forwarded to a Public Hearing, where any area resident or interested party will have an opportunity to comment. Public notification for the Public Hearing will be provided as per the *Local Government Act* and the City's *Zoning Bylaw 8500*.

Analysis

Built Form and Architectural Character

Preliminary conceptual plans proposed for redevelopment of the subject site have addressed staff comments identified as part of the rezoning application review process (Attachment 3).

The proposed site plan involves a principal dwelling on the east side of each lot and an accessory coach house above a detached garage on the west side of each lot, with vehicle access from the rear lane. The proposed building siting and open space are consistent with the requirements of the zone.

The Architectural Elevation Plans of the proposed coach house (Attachment 7) include sloped roofs, articulation of the buildings and appropriate window placement to minimize overlook of adjacent properties, while still allowing for passive surveillance of the rear lane. There are no proposed coach house balconies.

On-site garbage and recycling is proposed to be set back a minimum of 1.5 m from the rear property line and located within a screened structure, in accordance with the zone.

Prior to final adoption of the rezoning bylaw, minor revisions to enhance the coach house design may be made to the preliminary conceptual plans included in Attachment 7 to ensure compliance with the Zoning Bylaw and BC Building Code. Prior to final adoption of the rezoning bylaw, the applicant must register restrictive covenants on Title to ensure:

- The coach house on each lot proposed cannot be stratified.
- The Building Permit application and ensuing development at the site is generally consistent with the proposed preliminary conceptual plans.

Plans submitted at Building Permit stage must comply with all City regulations, including zoning.

Existing Legal Encumbrances

None

Transportation and Site Access

Consistent with the requirements of the zone, pedestrian access to the site and coach house is proposed via a permeable pathway from both No. 4 Road and the rear lane.

Vehicle access to the proposed lots is to be from the existing rear lane only, with no access permitted from No. 4 Road, in accordance with Residential Lot (Vehicular) Access Regulation Bylaw No. 7222.

For each lot, on-site parking is proposed in a garage in accordance with the zone and consists of two parking spaces for the principal dwelling provided in tandem arrangement, along with one parking space for the coach house to the side (note: tandem parking for the principal dwelling is permitted in the zone). Prior to final adoption of the rezoning bylaw, the applicant must register a restrictive covenant on Title, prohibiting the conversion of the tandem garage into habitable space.

Prior to issuance of a Building Permit, the applicant is required to submit a Construction Parking and Traffic Management Plan to the City's Transportation Department for review.

Tree Retention and Replacement

The applicant has submitted a Certified Arborist's Report; which identifies on-site and off-site tree species, assesses tree structure and condition, and provides recommendations on tree retention and removal relative to the proposed development. The Report indicates there are no street trees adjacent to the subject property and assesses four bylaw-sized trees on the subject property and one tree on a neighbouring property.

The City's Tree Preservation Coordinator has reviewed the Arborist's Report and supports the Arborist's findings, with the following comments:

- Four trees (tag# 2, 3, 4 & 5) located on site are in poor condition, have been previously topped, and should be removed and replaced.
- One tree that forms part of a hedge row (tag #1) located on adjacent neighbouring property to the south (8511 No. 4 Road) is identified to be retained and protected. Provide tree protection as per City of Richmond Tree Protection Information Bulletin Tree-03.
- Replacement trees should be specified at 2:1 ratio as per the OCP.

Tree Replacement

The applicant wishes to remove four on-site trees (Trees #2, #3, #4, and #5). The 2:1 replacement ratio would require a total of eight replacement trees (see Attachment 8 for the Tree Management Plan). The applicant has agreed to plant three trees on each lot proposed; for a total of six trees. The required replacement trees are to be of the following minimum sizes, based on the size of the trees being removed as per Tree Protection Bylaw No. 8057.

No. of Replacement Trees	Minimum Caliper of Deciduous Replacement Tree	Minimum Height of Coniferous Replacement Tree
Lot 1 – 3 trees	8 cm	4 m
Lot 2 – 3 trees	8 cm	4 m

To ensure that the three new trees are planted and maintained on each new lot, the applicant is required to submit a Landscape Plan and cost estimate for 100 per cent of the landscaping works (including installation) to the satisfaction of the Director, Development, that includes the six (6) replacement trees noted above, prior to the final adoption of the rezoning bylaw. Securities will be held until a landscaping inspection has been passed by City staff after construction and landscaping has been completed. The City may retain a portion of the security for a one-year maintenance period to ensure that the landscaping survives. To accompany the landscaping security, a legal agreement that sets the terms for release of the security must be entered into between the applicant and the City.

To satisfy the 2:1 replacement ratio established in the OCP, the applicant will contribute \$1,500.00 to the City's Tree Compensation Fund in lieu of the remaining two trees that cannot be accommodated on the subject property after redevelopment while also providing on-site open space for the single family home and coach house occupants.

Tree Protection

One tree that forms part of a hedge row (Tag # 1) on the neighbouring property to the south (8511 No. 4 Road) is to be retained and protected. The applicant has submitted a tree protection plan showing the tree to be retained and the measures taken to protect it during development stage (Attachment 7). To ensure that the tree identified for retention is protected at the development stage, the applicant is required to complete the following items:

- Prior to final adoption of the rezoning bylaw, submission to the City of a contract with a Certified Arborist for the supervision of all works conducted within or in close proximity to tree protection zones. The contract must include the scope of work required, the number of proposed monitoring inspections at specified stages of construction, any special measures required to ensure tree protection, and a provision for the arborist to submit a post-construction impact assessment to the City for review.
- Prior to demolition of the existing dwelling on the subject site, installation of tree protection fencing around all trees to be retained. Tree protection fencing must be installed to City standard in accordance with the City's Tree Protection Information Bulletin Tree-03 prior to any works being conducted on-site, and remain in place until construction and landscaping on-site is completed.

Affordable Housing Strategy

The City of Richmond's Affordable Housing Strategy requires a secondary suite or coach house on 100 per cent of new lots created through single-family rezoning and subdivision applications; a secondary suite on 50 per cent of new lots created and a cash-in-lieu contribution to the City's Affordable Housing Reserve Fund on the total buildable area of the remaining lot(s); or a cash-in-lieu contribution on the total buildable area of all lots where a secondary suite cannot be accommodated in the development.

Consistent with the City's Affordable Housing Strategy, the applicant proposes to provide a one-bedroom coach house above an attached garage on each of the new lots, for a total of two coach house units. To ensure that the coach houses are built to the satisfaction of the City in accordance with the City's Affordable Housing Strategy, no final Building Permit inspection will be granted until the coach houses are constructed in accordance with the plans shown in Attachment 7. The permitted uses in the ZS31 zone require the construction of a coach house in addition to a single detached house.

Site Servicing and Frontage Improvements

Prior to rezoning bylaw adoption, the applicant is required to enter into a Servicing Agreement for the design and construction of engineering infrastructure and frontage improvements, as described in Attachment 9. Frontage and road improvements include, but are not limited to, the following:

- North-south lane upgrades including rear laneway re-grading to a center swale configuration, installing rollover curbs and street lighting along entire property's rear laneway frontage.
- Providing frontage improvements along No. 4 Road in the form of a new 2.0 m concrete sidewalk at the property line, with the remaining space to the existing curb to be treed/grassed boulevard, complete with transitions to the existing sidewalk located to the north and south.

At Subdivision stage, the applicant must provide:

- A new 1.5 m wide Statutory Right-of-Way (SRW) along the east property line for utilities (storm sewer). The applicant is aware that encroachment into the SRW is not permitted.
- Payment of the current year's taxes, Development Cost Charges (City and GVS & DD), Address Assignment Fees, School Site Acquisition Charge and the costs associated with the completion of the required servicing works and frontage improvements as described in Attachment 8.

Financial Impact or Economic Impact

The rezoning application results in an insignificant Operational Budget Impact (OBI) for off-site City infrastructure (such as roadworks, waterworks, storm sewers, sanitary sewers, street lights, street trees and traffic signals).

Conclusion

The purpose of this rezoning application is to create a site-specific zone, “Coach House (ZS31) – No. 4 Road” and rezone the property at 8491 No. 4 Road from “Single Detached (RS1/E)” to the “Coach House (ZS31) – No. 4 Road” zone, in order to permit the property to be subdivided to create two lots, each with a principal dwelling and an accessory coach house above a detached garage.

This rezoning application complies with the land use designations and applicable policies contained within the OCP and Area Plan for the subject site.

The list of rezoning considerations is included in Attachment 9, which has been agreed to by the applicant (signed concurrence on file).

On this basis, it is recommended that Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10455 and that Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10456 be introduced and given first reading.



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- Att. 1: Location Map/ Aerial Photo
 2: Site Survey and Proposed Subdivision Plan
 3: Site Plan
 4: Development Application Data Sheet
 5: Ash Street Sub-area Plan Land Use Map
 6: Preliminary Landscape Plan
 7: Conceptual Coach House Development Plans
 8: Tree Management Plan
 9: Rezoning Considerations



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Original Date: 08/18/17

Revision Date:

Note: Dimensions are in METRES

TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY AND PROPOSED SUBDIVISION OF

PARCEL "A" (H84808E) LOT 19 EXCEPT:

PART SUBDIVIDED BY PLAN 74576; BLOCK "B"

SECTION 22 BLOCK 4 NORTH RANGE 6 WEST

NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT PLAN 2670

#8491 No. 4 ROAD,
RICHMOND, B.C.
P.I.D. 003-518-809

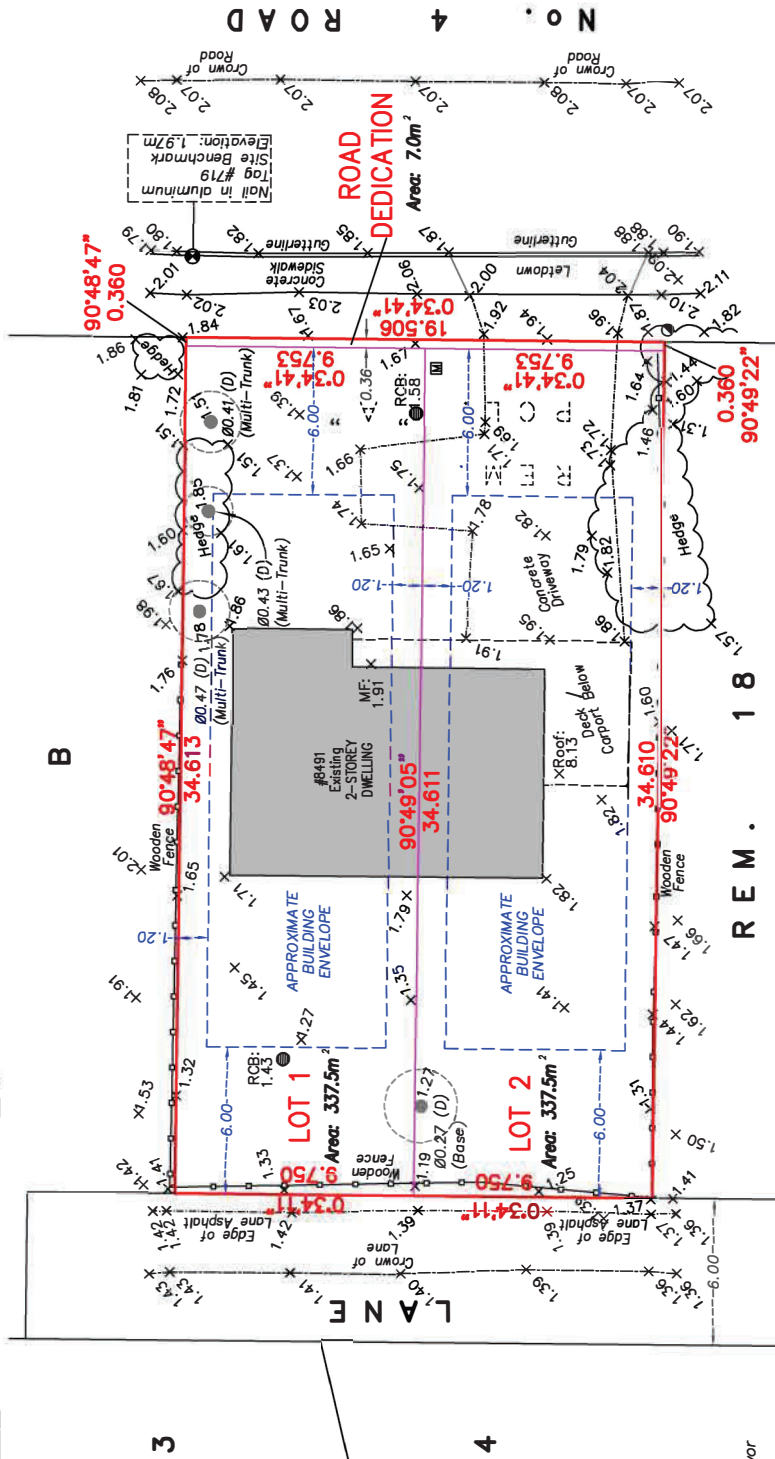
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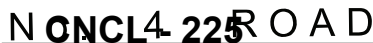


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ALL DISTANCES ARE IN METRES AND DECIMALS
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Note: Revised calculations to be provided, with revised lot area following road dedication



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Attachment 4

Address: 8491 No. 4 Road

Applicant: Ajit Aujla and New Villa Holdings

Planning Area(s): Broadmoor (Ash Street Sub-Area)

	Existing	Proposed
Owner(s):	Ajit Aujla and New Villa Holdings	Ajit Aujla and New Villa Holdings
Site Size (m²):	682 m ² (7,340 ft ²)	Lot A: 337.5 m ² (3,633 ft ²) Lot B: 337.5 m ² (3,633 ft ²)
Land Uses:	One single-detached lot	Two single detached lots, each with a coach house
OCP Designation:	Neighbourhood Residential	No Change
Area Plan Designation:	Small lots or large lots	No Change
702 Policy Designation:	N/A	N/A
Zoning:	Single Detached (RS1/E)	Coach House (ZS31) – No. 4 Road
Number of Units:	1	Lot A: 2 Lot B: 2
Other Designations:	Arterial Road Compact Lot Single Detached	No change

On Future Subdivided Lots	Bylaw Requirement (ZS31)	Proposed	Variance
Floor Area Ratio:	Max. 0.6	Max 0.6	none permitted
Buildable Floor Area (m ²):*	Lot A: Max. 204.6 m ² (2202.3 ft ²) Lot B: Max. 204.6 m ² (2202.3 ft ²)	Lot A: Max. 202.5 m ² (2179.7 ft ²) Lot B: Max. 202.5 m ² (2179.7 ft ²)	none permitted
Coach House Floor Area (m ²):	Min: 33.0 m ² Max: 60.0 m ²	Min: 33.0 m ² Max: 60.0 m ²	none permitted
Lot Coverage (% of lot area):	Building: Max. 45% Non-porous Surfaces: Max. 70% Live Landscaping: Min. 20%	Building: Max. 45% Non-porous Surfaces: Max. 70% Live Landscaping: Min. 20%	none
Lot Size:	315.0 m ²	337.5 m ²	none
Lot Dimensions (m):	Width: 9.0 m Depth: 34.5 m	Width: 9.8 m Depth: 34.6 m	none
Primary Dwelling Setbacks (m):	Front: Min. 6.0 m Rear: Min. 6.0 m (Min separation to coach house: 4.5 m) Side: Min. 1.2 m	Front: Min. 6.0 m Rear: Min. 6.0 m (Min separation to coach house: 4.5 m) Side: Min. 1.2 m	none

On Future Subdivided Lots	Bylaw Requirement (ZS31)	Proposed	Variance
Accessory Coach House Setbacks (m)	Front: Min. 6.0 m Rear: Min. 1.2 m Side, South: min. 0.6 m ground floor; 1.2 m upper floor Side, North: 1.8 m	Front: Min. 6.0 m Rear: Min. 1.2 m Side, South: min. 0.6 m ground floor; 1.2 m upper floor Side, North: 1.8 m	none
Primary Dwelling Height (m):	Max. 2 ½ storeys or 9.0 m	Max. 2 ½ storeys or 9.0 m	none
Accessory Coach House Height (m):	Max: 2.0 storeys or 6.5 m	Max: 2.0 storeys or 6.5 m	none
On-site Vehicle Parking, including Accessory Coach House Use:	Min. 3 per lot	Lot A: Min. 3 Lot B: Min. 3	none
Off-street Parking Spaces – Total (per lot):	Principal Dwelling: 2 Coach House: 1	Principal Dwelling: 2 Coach House: 1	none
Tandem Parking Spaces (per lot):	Permitted for Principal Dwelling	Principal Dwelling: 2	none

* Preliminary estimate; not inclusive of garage; exact building size to be determined through zoning bylaw compliance review at Building Permit stage.

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Land Use Map

Bylaw 9489
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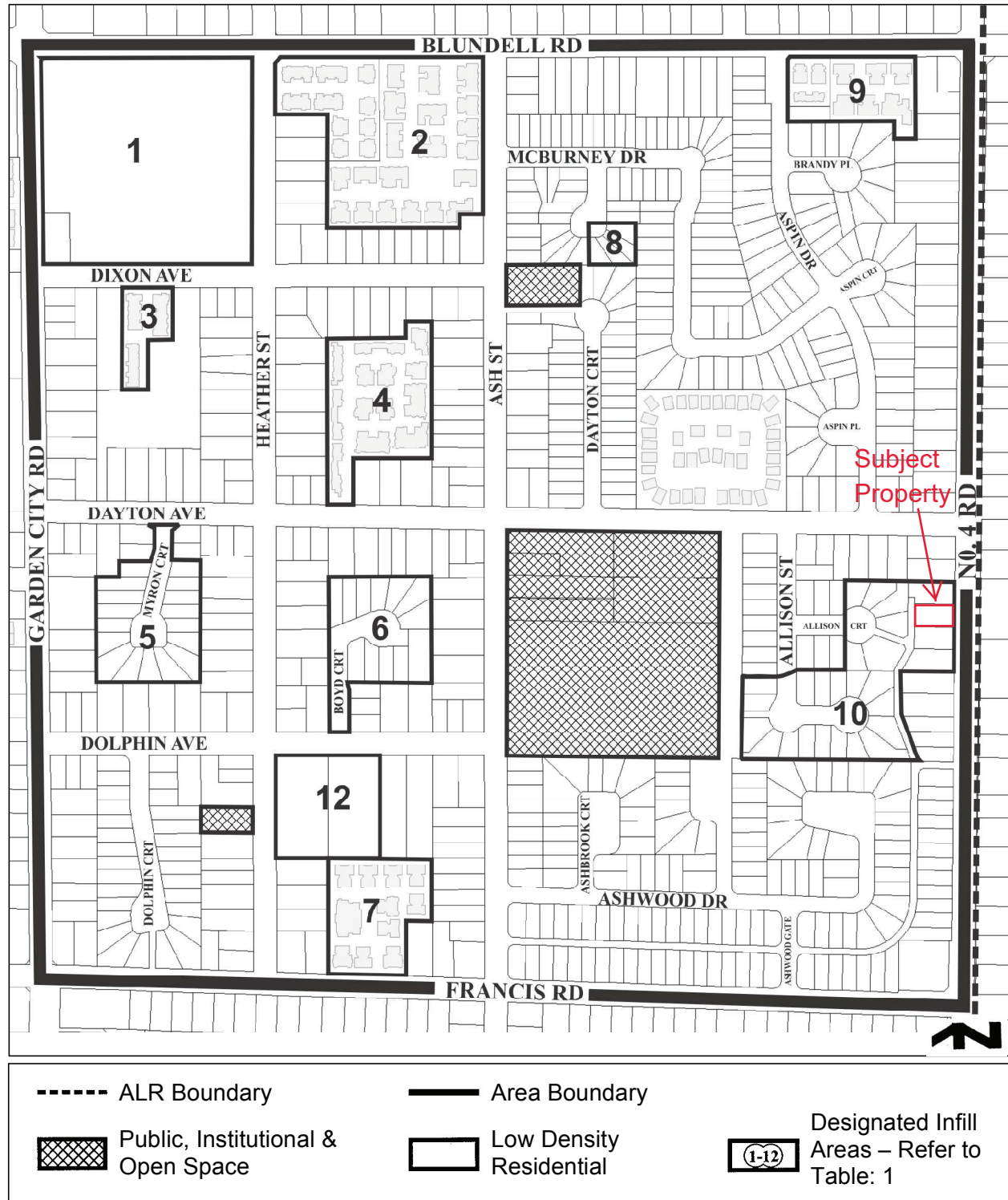
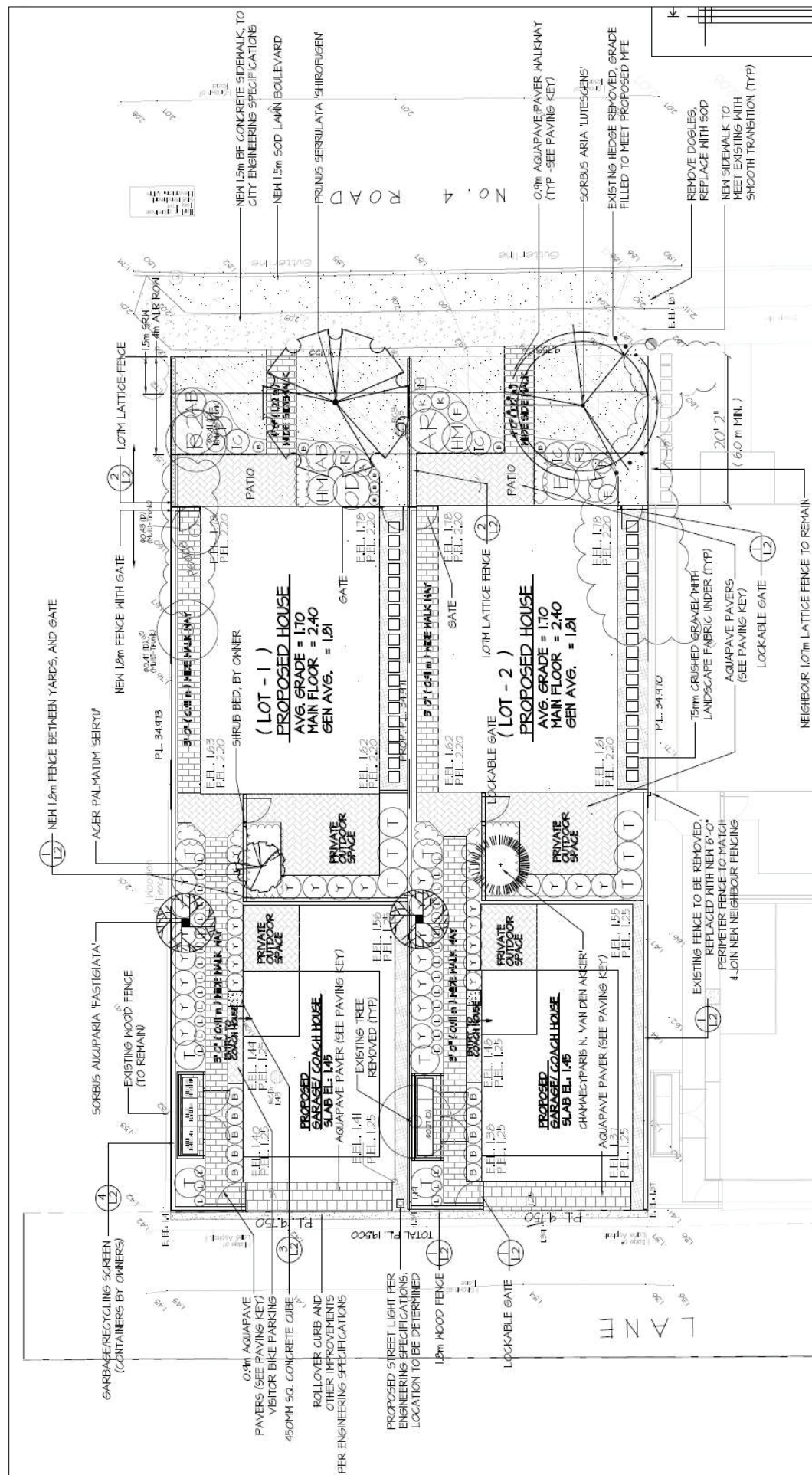


Table 1:

Official Community Plan - Specific Infill Land Use Designations Ash Street (Section 22-4-6)					
KEY TO AREA PLAN MAP	APPROXIMATE AREA HA (AC.)	DENSITY UNITS/HA (UNITS/AC.)	MAXIMUM NUMBER OF UNITS	LAND USE	OTHER
1	24 (6)		N.A.	Commercial or townhouses	Maximum two-storey height
2	1.86 (4.61)	29 (12)	77	Townhouses or small lots	Open space and children's play area with townhouses or small lots
3	0.502 (1.25)	*.55 FAR	*.55 FAR	Townhouses or duplex	Open space and children's play area with townhouses
4	1.07 (2.64)	35 (14)	37	Townhouses or small lots	Open space and children's play area with townhouses or small lots
5	.95 (2.34)	18 (7)	18	Small lots	Open space and children's play area
6	.81 (2)	18 (7)	14	Small lots	Open space and children's play area
7	0.830 (2.05)	29 (12)	25	Townhouses or small lots	Open space and children's play area
8	0.12 (0.3)	18 (7)	3	Small lots	
9	0.645 (1.6)	19 (12)	24	Townhouses or small lots with lane	Access to Blundell restricted. Open space and children's play area. Possible lane.
10	1.8 (4.45)	18 (7)	31	Small lots or large lots	
11	#	N.A.	N.A.	Large lots or park	Open up corner for public view of DeBeck school/park
12	#	N.A.	N.A.	Park or small lots	
TOTAL			246		

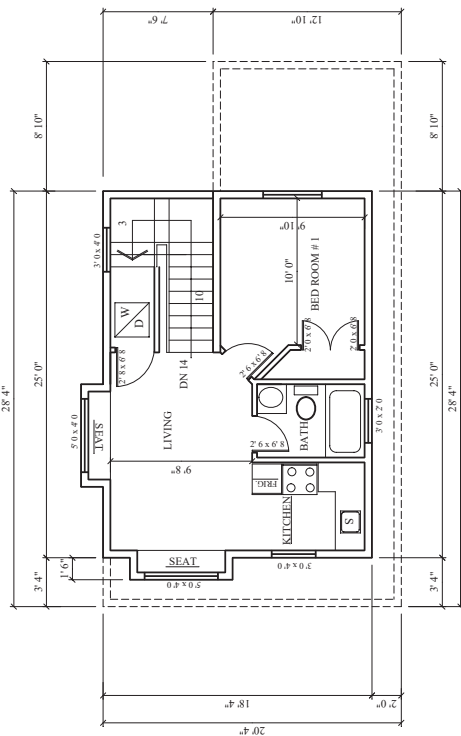
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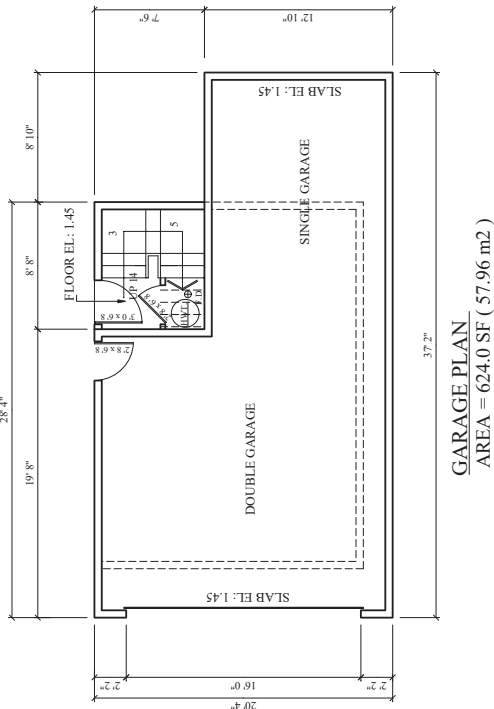
**TOTAL PROPOSED
REPLACEMENTS = 6 (4
removals = 8 required
replacement trees)**

Note: Replacement trees should not interfere with driveways, visibility, buildings, services, sidewalks and the view corridors of adjacent properties. All plant material, topsoil depth, and quality and installation to be to the BC Landscape Standard, recent edition. They should be watered deeply twice per week (depending on natural levels of precipitation) for the first year or until established.

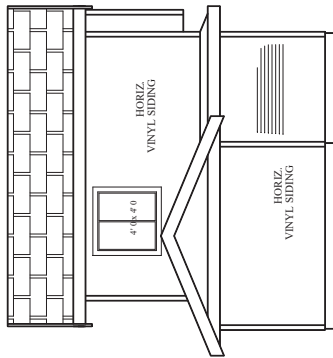
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TREE				
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1	1	CHAMAECYPARIS NOOT. 'VAN DEN ARKER'	VAN DEN ARKER NOOTKA CYPRRESS	#5 POT, STAKED UPRIGHT
1	1	PRUNUS SERRULATA 'SHIROTENSE'	WHITE GODDESS FLORERING CHERRY	6CM CAL, 1.4M STD; B&B
1	1	SORBUS ARIA 'LUTESCENS'	WHITE BEAN MOUNTAIN ASH	6CM CAL, 1.4M STD; B&B
2	2	SORBUS ALPINUS 'FESTIVASITA'	COLUMBAR MOUNTAIN ASH	8CM CAL, 1.4M STD; B&B



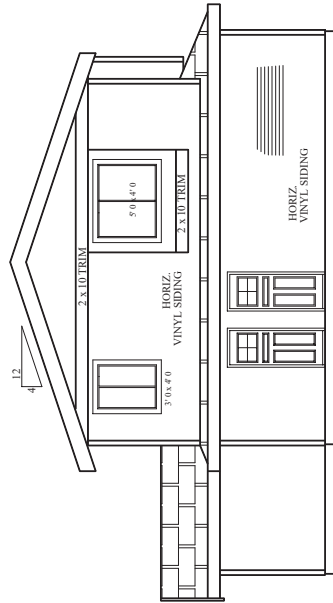
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incl. stair on one floor



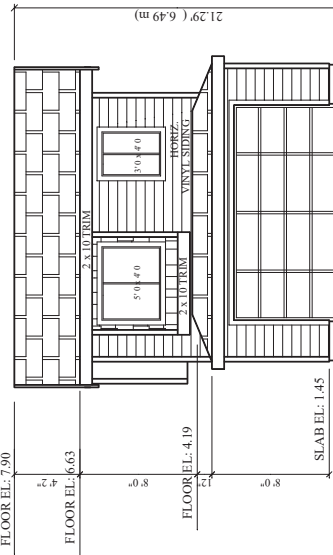
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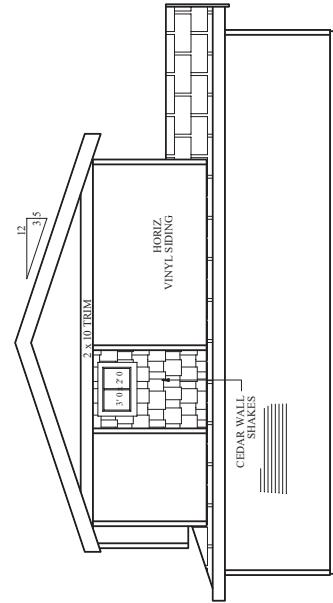
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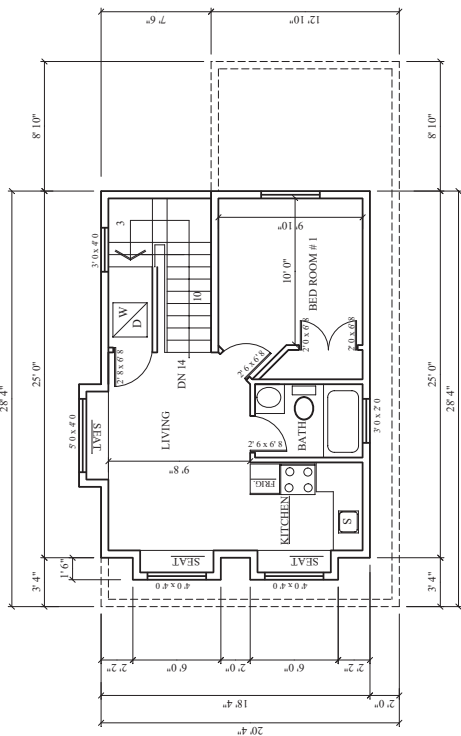
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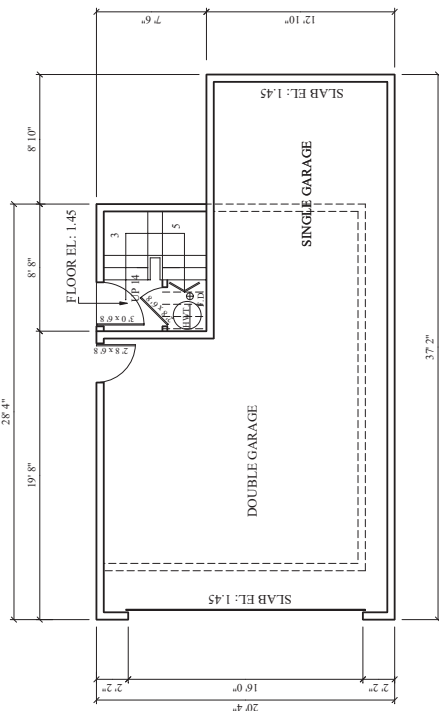
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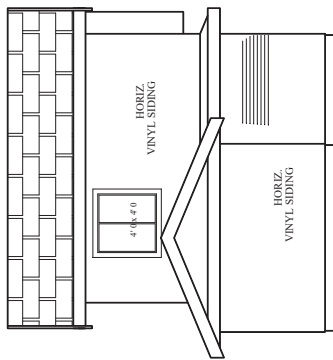
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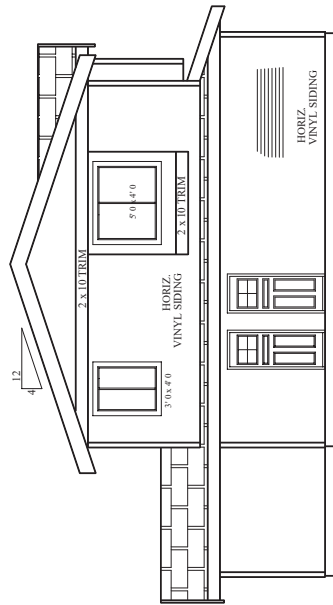
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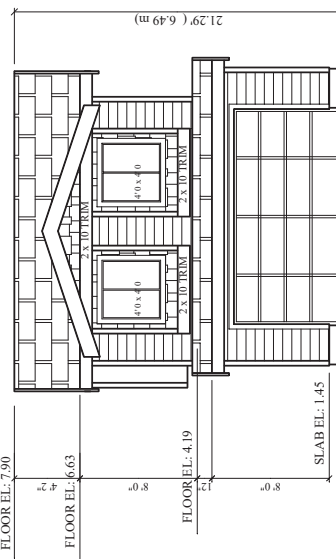
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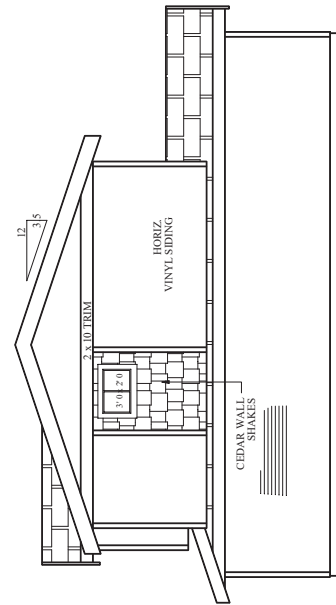
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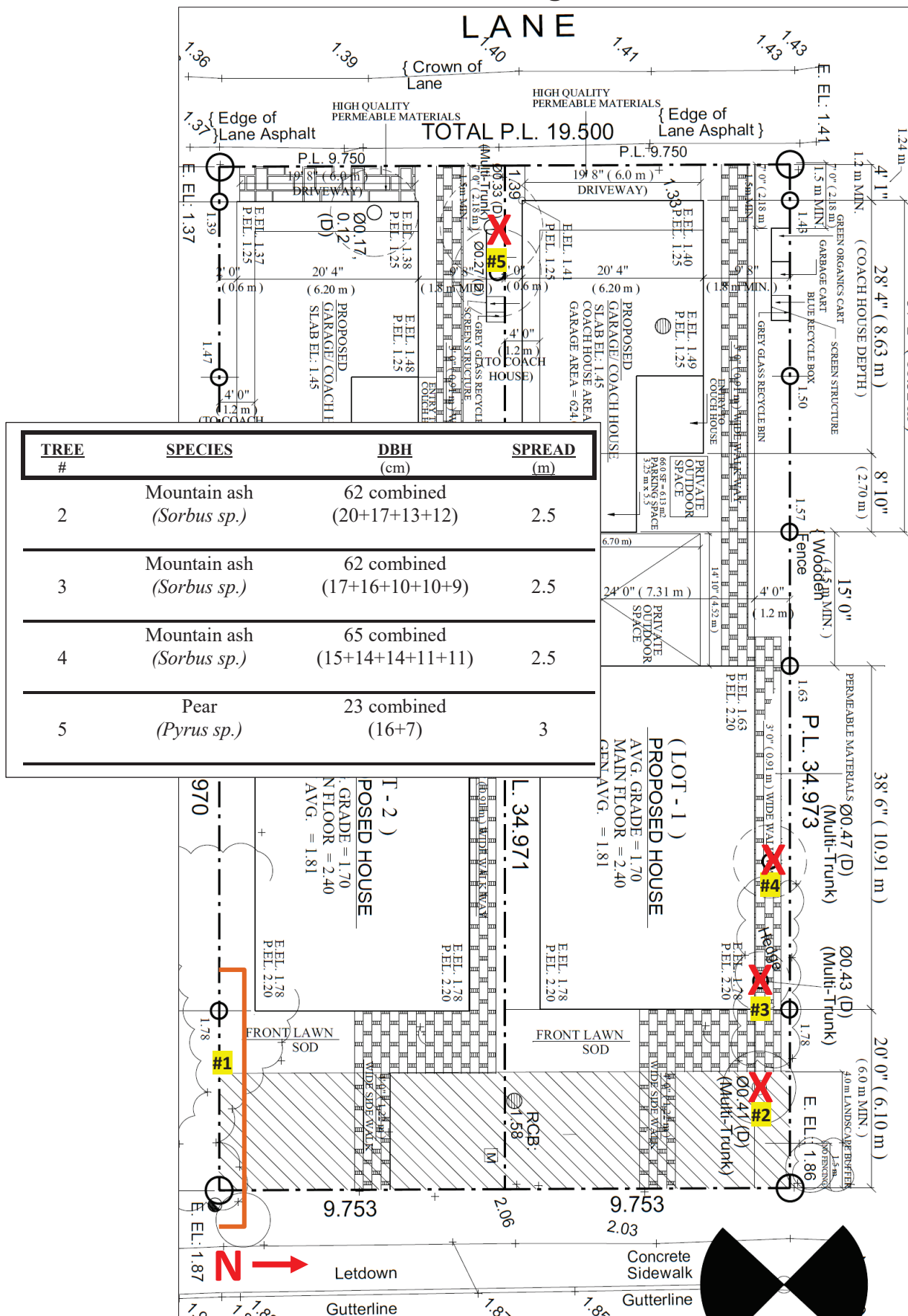
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Address: 8491 No. 4 Road

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Prior to final adoption of Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10456, the developer is required to complete the following:

1. A 0.36m road dedication along the entire eastern frontage of the property.
2. Submission of a Landscape Plan, prepared by a Registered Landscape Architect, to the satisfaction of the Director of Development, and deposit of a Landscaping Security based on 100% of the cost estimate provided by the Landscape Architect, including installation costs. The Landscape Plan should:
 - comply with the guidelines of the OCP's Arterial Road Policy and should not include hedges along the front property line;
 - include a mix of coniferous and deciduous trees;
 - include the dimensions of tree protection fencing as illustrated on the Tree Retention Plan attached to this report;
 - include native plantings within the ALR Buffer consistent with the OCP's guidelines; and
 - include the six required replacement trees with the following minimum sizes:

No. of Replacement Trees	Minimum Caliper of Deciduous Tree	or	Minimum Height of Coniferous Tree
6	8 cm		4.0 m

The City will release 90% of the security after construction and landscaping on the future lots is completed, and a landscaping inspection is approved. The remaining 10% of the security will be released one (1) year later, subject to inspection, to ensure the replacement trees have survive. To accompany the landscaping security, a legal agreement that sets the terms for release of the security must be entered into between the Applicant and the City.

3. City acceptance of the developer's offer to voluntarily contribute \$1,500 to the City's Tree Compensation Fund for the planting of replacement trees within the City.
4. Submission of a Contract entered into between the applicant and a Certified Arborist for supervision of any on-site works conducted within the tree protection zone of the trees to be retained. The Contract should include the scope of work to be undertaken, including: the proposed number of site monitoring inspections, and a provision for the Arborist to submit a post-construction assessment report to the City for review.
5. Installation of appropriate tree protection fencing around the trees to be retained as part of the development prior to any construction activities, including building demolition, occurring on-site.
6. Registration of a flood indemnity covenant on title.
7. Registration of a legal agreement on title ensuring that the coach house cannot be stratified.
8. Registration of a legal agreement on Title ensuring that the Building Permit application and ensuing development of the coach houses are generally consistent with submitted conceptual plans attached to the Rezoning Report to Planning Committee.
9. Registration of a legal agreement on title to ensure that landscaping planted along the eastern 4m of the property, for the purposes of buffering the interface with the Agricultural Land Reserve, is maintained and will not be abandoned or removed.
10. Registration of a legal agreement on title prohibiting the conversion of the tandem parking area into habitable space.
11. Payment of all fees in full for the cost associated with the Public Hearing Notices, consistent with the City's Consolidated Fees Bylaw No 8636, as amended.
12. Enter into a Servicing Agreement* for the design and construction of engineering infrastructure improvements. A Letter of Credit or cash security for the value of the Service Agreement works, as determined by the City, will be required as part of entering into the Servicing Agreement. Works include, but may not be limited to:

Water Works:

- Using the OCP Model, there is 402.0 L/s of water available at 20 psi residual at the hydrant located at the frontage of 8451 No. 4 Rd and 391.0 L/s of water available at 20 psi residual at the frontage of 8511 No. 4 Rd. Based on your proposed development, your site requires a minimum fire flow of 95 L/s.
- At the Developer's cost, the Developer is required to:
 - Submit Fire Underwriter Survey (FUS) or International Organization for Standardization (ISO) fire flow calculations to confirm the development has adequate fire flow for onsite fire protection. Calculations must be signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer and be based on Building Permit designs at Building Permit stage.
 - Retain the existing water service connection and meter to service the proposed Lot 2 of the subject site.
 - Provide a 1.5m x 1.5m Statutory Right of Way for the new water meter to serve the proposed Lot 1. The location of the new meter shall be determined through the Servicing Agreement process.
- At the Developer's cost, the City will:
 - Install a new water service connection off of the 300mm AC water main along No. 4 Rd, complete with water meter, to serve proposed Lot 1.

Storm Sewer Works:

- The Developer is required to:
 - Check the existing storm service connection and inspection chamber serving the subject site (STLAT91219 & STCN31118). Confirm the material and condition of the inspection chambers and pipes. If deemed acceptable by the City, the existing service connections may be retained. In the case that a service connection is not in a condition to be re-used, the service connection shall be replaced by the City, at the Developer's cost, as described below.
 - Provide a 3.5m deep & 3.0 m wide utility Statutory Right of Way centered on the common property line of the new lots. Encroaching into the SRW with proposed trees, non-removable fencing, or other non-removable structures will not be permitted.
 - Install a new 200mm diameter storm sewer from the north property line of 8491 No. 4 Rd to the lane junction (approximately 35 m), complete with catch basins and a manhole at the highpoint at the north end and a new manhole at the lane junction. The storm sewer shall be designed to allow for connection to lane drainage to the north if the lane is extended.
 - Remove the existing storm service lateral from the north east corner of 9820 Allison Court to the existing catch basin at the lane junction (approximately 34 m). The removal of the lateral and catch basin shall be completed at the City's cost, subject to funding approval.
 - Install a new 200mm diameter storm sewer from the north east corner of 9820 Allison Court to the existing catch basin at the lane junction (approximately 34 m), at the City's cost, subject to funding approval. Tie-in shall be to a new manhole to replace STMH5831.
- At the Developer's cost, the City will:
 - Replace the existing storm service connections and inspection chambers (STLAT91219 & STCN31118), if the connections are not in a condition to be re-used. The existing connection serving 8511 No. 4 Rd shall be reconnected if the replacement of the existing IC is required.

Sanitary Sewer Works:

- At the Developer's cost, the City will:
 - Cut and cap the existing service connection located at the south west corner of the subject site (SCON30043). The existing inspection chamber (SIC7945) shall be retained to serve 8511 No. 4 Rd.
 - Install a new sanitary service connection at the adjoining property line of the proposed lots, complete with an inspection chamber and dual service leads.

Frontage Improvements:

- The Developer is required to:
 - Coordinate with BC Hydro, Telus and other private communication service providers

- When relocating/modifying any of the existing power poles and/or guy wires within the property frontages.
- To determine if above ground structures are required and coordinate their locations (e.g. Vista, PMT, LPT, Shaw cabinets, Telus Kiosks, etc.). These should be located onsite.
- Provide road improvements along No. 4 Rd frontage of the proposed site in accordance with the standard road cross-section requirements, to include: a 1.5m boulevard and 2.0m sidewalk behind the existing curb/gutter as per Transportation's requirements.
- Provide rear laneway re-grading to a center swale configuration, and install rollover curbs and street lighting along entire property's rear laneway frontage, at the Developer's cost.
- Complete other frontage improvements as per Transportation's requirements

General Items:

- The Developer is required to:
 - Enter into, if required, additional legal agreements, as determined via the subject development's Servicing Agreement(s) and/or Development Permit(s), and/or Building Permit(s) to the satisfaction of the Director of Engineering, including, but not limited to, site investigation, testing, monitoring, site preparation, de-watering, drilling, underpinning, anchoring, shoring, piling, pre-loading, ground densification or other activities that may result in settlement, displacement, subsidence, damage or nuisance to City and private utility infrastructure.
 - Complete Road Restoration in compliance with Bylaw 7869 due to any road cuts made in No 4 Rd.

Prior to Demolition, the developer must complete the following requirements:

1. Installation of appropriate tree protection fencing around all trees to be retained as part of the development in accordance with the City's Tree Protection Information Bulletin TREE-03, prior to any construction activities including building demolition, occurring on-site, and must remain in place until construction and landscaping on-site is completed.

At Subdivision* stage, the developer must complete the following requirements:

1. A new 1.5 m wide Statutory Right-of-Way (SRW) along the east property line for utilities (storm sewer). The applicant is aware that encroachment into the SRW is not permitted.

Prior to Building Permit Issuance, the developer must complete the following requirements:

1. Submission of a Construction Parking and Traffic Management Plan to the Transportation Department. Management Plan shall include location for parking for services, deliveries, workers, loading, application for any lane closures, and proper construction traffic controls as per Traffic Control Manual for works on Roadways (by Ministry of Transportation) and MMCD Traffic Regulation Section 01570.
2. Obtain a Building Permit (BP) for any construction hoarding. If construction hoarding is required to temporarily occupy a public street, the air space above a public street, or any part thereof, additional City approvals and associated fees may be required as part of the Building Permit. For additional information, contact the Building Approvals Department at 604-276-4285.

Note:

- * This requires a separate application.
- Where the Director of Development deems appropriate, the preceding agreements are to be drawn not only as personal covenants of the property owner but also as covenants pursuant to Section 219 of the Land Title Act.

All agreements to be registered in the Land Title Office shall have priority over all such liens, charges and encumbrances as is considered advisable by the Director of Development. All agreements to be registered in the Land Title Office shall, unless the Director of Development determines otherwise, be fully registered in the Land Title Office prior to enactment of the appropriate bylaw.

The preceding agreements shall provide security to the City including indemnities, warranties, equitable/rent charges, letters of credit and withholding permits, as deemed necessary or advisable by the Director of Development. All agreements shall be in a form and content satisfactory to the Director of Development.

- Additional legal agreements, as determined via the subject development's Servicing Agreement(s) and/or Development Permit(s), and/or Building Permit(s) to the satisfaction of the Director of Engineering may be required including, but not limited to, site investigation, testing, monitoring, site preparation, de-watering, drilling, underpinning, anchoring, shoring, piling, pre-loading, ground densification or other activities that may result in settlement, displacement, subsidence, damage or nuisance to City and private utility infrastructure.
- Applicants for all City Permits are required to comply at all times with the conditions of the Provincial *Wildlife Act* and Federal *Migratory Birds Convention Act*, which contain prohibitions on the removal or disturbance of both birds and their nests. Issuance of Municipal permits does not give an individual authority to contravene these legislations. The City of Richmond recommends that where significant trees or vegetation exists on site, the services of a Qualified Environmental Professional (QEP) be secured to perform a survey and ensure that development activities are in compliance with all relevant legislation.

Signed

Date



**Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500
Amendment Bylaw 10455 (RZ 17-777739)
8491 No. 4 Road**

The Council of the City of Richmond, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, as amended, is further amended by:
 - a. Inserting the following section into Section 15 (Site Specific Residential (Single Detached) Zones), in numerical order:

15.31 Coach House (ZS31) – No. 4 Road

15.31.1 Purpose

The **zone** provides for a **coach house** in conjunction with **single detached housing** where there is **vehicle access** to a rear **lane**.

15.31.2 Permitted Uses

- **housing, single detached**, with a detached **coach house**

15.31.3 Secondary Uses

- **bed and breakfast**
- **boarding and lodging**
- **community care facility, minor**
- **home business**

15.31.4 Permitted Density

1. The maximum **density** is limited to one **principal dwelling unit** and one **coach house** per **lot**.
2. The maximum **floor area ratio** (FAR) is 0.6.
3. The **coach house** must have a minimum **floor area** of at least 33.0 m² and must not exceed a total **floor area** of 60.0 m².
4. For the purposes of this **zone** only, 10% of the **floor area** total calculated for the **lot** in question must be used exclusively for covered areas of the **single detached housing** or **coach house** which are open on two or more sides, with the maximum for the **coach house** being 6.0 m², and is not included in the calculations of the maximum **floor area ratio**.
5. An unenclosed and uncovered **balcony** of a detached **coach house** shall have a maximum area of 8.0 m², and shall be located so as to face the **lane** on a mid block **lot** and the **lane** or side street on a **corner lot**.

6. Stairs to the upper level of a detached **coach house** must be enclosed within the allowable **building** area.
7. Notwithstanding section 4.2.2 of this bylaw, where the **lot width** is between 9.0 m and 11.5 m:
 - a) a maximum of 58 m² of **enclosed parking** within a **garage** located on-site, or **parking spaces** within an unenclosed **carport** located on-site, is not included in the calculation of the maximum **floor area ratio**, provided that such **enclosed parking** or **parking spaces** are not used for **habitable space**; and
 - b) for the purposes of this subsection 15.31.4.7, a **carport** means a roofed **structure**, open on two or more sides, that is attached to the **accessory building** containing the **coach house** and that is used by the occupants of the **lot** to shelter the required **vehicle parking spaces**.

15.31.5 Permitted Lot Coverage

1. The maximum **lot coverage** is 45% for **buildings**.
2. No more than 70% of a **lot** may be occupied by **buildings, structures** and **non-porous surfaces**.
3. 20% of the **lot area** is restricted to **landscaping** with live plant material.

15.31.6 Yards & Setbacks

1. The minimum **front yard** is 6.0 m, except that **accessory buildings, coach houses, carports, garages** and **parking spaces** must be **setback** a minimum of 15.0 m.
2. The minimum **interior side yard** for a **principal building** is 1.2 m.
3. On an **interior lot**, where the **lot width** is between 9.0 m and 11.5 m:
 - a) the minimum **setback** for an **accessory building** containing a **coach house** to one **side lot line** is 0.6 m for the ground floor and 1.2 m for the upper floor; and
 - b) the minimum **setback** for an **accessory building** containing a **coach house** to the opposite and opposing **side lot line** is 1.8 m.
4. On an **interior lot**, where the **lot width** is greater than 11.5 m:
 - a) the minimum **setback** for an **accessory building** containing a **coach house** to one **side lot line** is 1.2 m; and
 - b) the minimum **setback** for an **accessory building** containing a **coach house** to the opposite and opposing **side lot line** is 1.8 m.
5. In addition to subsections 15.31.6.3 and 15.31.6.4, an **accessory building** containing a **coach house** on an **interior lot** with an east-west orientation shall be located closest to the southern **interior side lot line**, to reduce shadowing on the **adjacent lot** to the north.

6. **Bay windows** and **hutches** which form part of the **coach house** may project for a distance of 0.6 m into the **side yard**.
7. The minimum **exterior side yard** is 3.0 m.
8. The minimum **rear yard** is 6.0 m for the **single detached housing**, except for a **corner lot** where the **exterior side yard** is 6.0 m, in which case the **rear yard** is reduced to 1.2 m.
9. A **coach house** shall be located within 1.2 m and 10.0 m of the **rear lot line**.
10. The minimum **building separation space** between the principal **single detached housing** unit and the **accessory building** containing a **coach house** is 4.5 m.
11. **Coach houses** and **accessory buildings** are not permitted in the **front yard**.
12. Waste and recycling bins for a **coach house** shall be located within a **screened structure** that is **setback** a minimum of 1.5 m from the **rear lot line**.
13. **Building** elements in a **coach house** that promote sustainability objectives such as solar panels, solar hot water heating systems and rainwater collection systems may project 0.6 m into the **side yard** and **rear yard**.
14. An unenclosed and uncovered **balcony** of a detached **coach house**, located so as to face the **lane** on a mid block **lot** and the **lane** or side street on a **corner lot**, may project 0.6 m into the **rear yard**.

15.31.7 Permitted Heights

1. The maximum **height** for **single detached housing** is 2 ½ **storeys** or 9.0 m, whichever is less, but it shall not exceed the **residential vertical lot width envelope** and the **residential vertical lot depth envelope**. For a **principal building** with a flat roof, the maximum **height** is 7.5 m.
2. The ridge line of a side roof dormer may project horizontally up to 0.91 m beyond the **residential vertical lot width envelope** but no further than the **setback** required for the **interior side yard** or the **exterior side yard**.
3. The ridge line of a front roof dormer may project horizontally up to 0.91 m beyond the **residential vertical lot depth envelope** but no further than the **setback** required for the **front yard**.
4. For the purpose of this **zone** only, **residential vertical lot depth envelope** means a vertical envelope located at the minimum **front yard setback** requirement for the **lot** in question.
5. The **residential vertical lot depth envelope** is:
 - a) calculated from the **finished site grade**; and
 - b) formed by a plane rising vertically 5.0 m to a point and then extending upward and away from the required **yard setback** at a rate of the two units of vertical rise

for each single unit of horizontal run to the point at which the plane intersects to the maximum **building height**.

6. The maximum **height** for an **accessory building** containing a **coach house** shall be 2 **storeys** or 6.5 m above the highest elevation of the crown of the **abutting lane** measured to the roof ridge, whichever is less.
7. In addition to the requirements in subsection 15.31.7.6, where the **lot width** is between 9.0 m and 11.5 m:
 - a) any portion of the ground floor of an **accessory building** used for parking provided in a **tandem arrangement** that extends beyond the footprint of the second **storey** of a **coach house** shall be no higher than 4.0 m above the highest elevation of the crown of the **abutting lane**; and
 - b) the roof over the portion of the ground floor of an **accessory building** used for parking provided in a **tandem arrangement** must have a minimum pitch of 4:12 and be a gable end roof design.
8. In respect of an **accessory building** containing a **coach house**:
 - a) the **first storey** of an **accessory building** containing a **coach house** facing the **single detached housing** shall have a sloping skirt roof, and the maximum **height** of the **eave** of the sloping skirt roof shall be 3.7 m above **grade**;
 - b) the maximum **height** to the top of the sloping skirt roof of the **first storey** of an **accessory building** containing a **coach house** facing the **single detached housing** shall be 4.0 m above **grade**; and
 - c) for the purpose of this subsection 15.31.7.8 only, **grade** means the finished ground elevation around the **accessory building** containing the **coach house**.
9. The maximum **height** for **accessory structures** is 9.0 m.

15.31.8 Subdivision Provisions/Minimum Lot Size

1. The minimum **lot** dimensions and areas are as follows, except that the minimum **lot width** for **corner lots** is an additional 2.0 m:

Minimum frontage	Minimum lot width	Minimum lot depth	Minimum lot area
6.0 m	9.0 m	34.5 m	315.0 m ²

2. A **coach house** may not be **subdivided** from the **lot** on which it is located.

15.31.9 Landscaping & Screening

1. **Landscaping** and **screening** shall be provided in accordance with the provisions of Section 6.0, except that in this **zone**:
 - a) **fences**, when located within 3.0 m of a **side lot lane abutting** a public **road** or 6.0 m of a **front lot line abutting** a public **road**, shall not exceed 1.2 m in **height**; and

- b) **fences**, when located elsewhere within a required **yard**, shall not exceed 1.83 m in **height**.
- 2. A private outdoor space shall be provided with a minimum area of 30.0 m² and a minimum width and depth of 3.0 m.
 - 3. All private outdoor space shall not be:
 - a) located in the **front yard**; and
 - b) occupied or obstructed by any **buildings, structures**, projections and on-site parking, except for **cantilevered roofs** and **balconies** which may project into the private outdoor space for a distance of not more than 0.6 m.
 - 4. A private outdoor space:
 - a) shall be for the benefit of the **coach house** only;
 - b) may include an open or covered deck, unenclosed **balcony, patio** pavers, **porch** or **fenced yard** space which is clearly defined and **screened** through the use of **landscaping**, planting or architectural features such as trellises, low **fencing** or planters, but not space used for parking purposes; and
 - c) shall be accessed from the **rear yard, lane** or **coach house**.
 - 5. The **rear yard** between a **coach house** and the **lane**, including the **building** entry to the **coach house**, must incorporate:
 - a) the planting of appropriate trees (e.g. small species or fastigate/columnar) and other attractive soft **landscaping**, but not low ground cover, so as to enhance the visual appearance of the **lane**; and
 - b) high quality permeable materials where there is a driveway to **parking spaces** and where the **lane** has curb and gutter.
 - 6. A high quality **screen** shall be located between the **lane** and any surface **parking spaces** parallel to the **lane**, and along the **lot line adjacent** to any surface **parking spaces** if **abutting** a neighbouring **lot**. Where the space is constrained, a narrow area sufficient for the growth of plant material shall be provided at the base of the **screen**.
 - 7. The **yard** between the **coach house** and the **road** on a **corner lot** shall be designed and treated as the **front yard** of the **coach house**, not be used as private outdoor space and have quality surface treatment, soft **landscaping** and attractive plant materials.
 - 8. Where vertical greening is used as a means to improve privacy, it may include **building** walls and/or the provision of **fences** and arbours as support structures for plants. In constrained areas, tall plantings may include varieties of bamboo for **screening** and **landscaping**.
 - 9. A minimum 0.9 m wide, unobstructed, permeable pathway must be provided:
 - a) clearly leading from the **road** to the **coach house** entry; and
 - b) clearly leading from the **lane** to the **coach house** entry.

15.31.10 On-Site Parking & Loading

1. On-site **vehicle** parking shall be provided according to the standards set out in Section 7.0, except that the maximum driveway width shall be 6.0 m.
2. For the purpose of this **zone** only, a driveway is defined as any **non-porous surface** of the **lot** that is used to provide space for **vehicle** parking or **vehicle access** to or from a public **road** or **lane**.
3. Where the **lot width** is between 9.0 m and 11.5 m:
 - a) the required on-site **parking spaces** for the **single detached housing** may be provided in a **tandem arrangement**, with the required on-site **parking space** for the **coach house** located to one side; and
 - b) a **coach house** may not be located above more than 2 side-by-side **parking spaces** in the detached **garage** or **carport**, as defined in subsection 15.31.4.7 (b).
4. Where the **lot width** is greater than 11.5 m:
 - a) a **coach house** may not be located above more than 2 **parking spaces** in the detached **garage** for the **single detached housing**; and
 - b) the required **parking space** and driveway for a **coach house** must be unenclosed or uncovered and must be made of porous surfaces such as permeable pavers, gravel, grasscrete or impermeable wheel paths surrounded by ground-cover planting.

15.31.11 Other Regulations

1. **Boarding and lodging** shall be located only in a **single detached housing** unit, and not in the **coach house**.
2. A **child care program** shall not be located in a **coach house**.
3. The **coach house** must be located above a detached **garage**.
4. In addition to the regulations listed above, the General Development Regulations in Section 4.0 and Specific Use Regulations in Section 5.0 apply.”

2. This Bylaw may be cited as **“Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10455”**.

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**Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500
Amendment Bylaw 10456 (RZ 17-777739)
8491 No. 4 Road**

The Council of the City of Richmond, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. The Zoning Map of the City of Richmond, which accompanies and forms part of Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, is amended by repealing the existing zoning designation of the following area and by designating it **“COACH HOUSE (ZS31) – NO. 4 ROAD”**.

P.I.D. 003-518-809

Parcel “A” (H84808E) Lot 19 Except: Part Subdivided by Plan 74576; Block “B” Section 22 Block 4 North Range 6 West New Westminster District Plan 2670

2. This Bylaw may be cited as **“Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10456”**.

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City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Planning Committee

Date: March 1, 2023

From: Kim Somerville
Director, Community Social Development

File: 08-4055-01/2023-Vol 01

Re: Social Development Strategy Guiding Principles

Staff Recommendation

That the Guiding Principles detailed in the staff report titled "Social Development Strategy Guiding Principles," dated March 1, 2023, from the Director, Community Social Development, be endorsed and used to inform the strategic directions and actions of the draft Social Development Strategy.

Kim Somerville
Director, Community Social Development
(604-247-4671)

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Staff Report

Origin

In 2013, City Council endorsed the 2013–2022 Social Development Strategy, which provided a roadmap for the City, community partners, residents and other stakeholders to improve the quality of life for Richmond residents. The strategy provided a vision, three goals, nine strategic directions and 53 recommended actions that guided the City on social development matters and acted as a resource for external stakeholders.

In response to the 2013–2022 Social Development Strategy nearing the end of its life cycle, City Council approved the development of a new Social Development Strategy in the 2021 Operating Budget. The new strategy will build on the progress made on the 2013–2022 Social Development Strategy and incorporate foundational elements of the previous strategy. It will also provide an overarching framework for the City and its partners to support and address the current and emerging social needs of Richmond’s diverse population.

The strategy will be developed under the direction of a project team and Advisory Committee and will utilize data-informed and evidence-based research with input from the community. The development of the strategy will be divided into four phases:

1. Phase One: Establish a Social Development Strategy Advisory Committee, conduct background research and develop guiding principles (in progress);
2. Phase Two: Conduct initial community engagement and develop draft strategic actions;
3. Phase Three: Develop a draft Social Development Strategy and seek public input; and
4. Phase Four: Finalize the Social Development Strategy.

The purpose of this report is to seek Council’s approval of the draft guiding principles that will help shape the development of a draft Social Development Strategy.

This report supports Council’s Strategic Plan 2022–2026 Strategy #1 Proactive in Stakeholder and Civic Engagement:

Proactive stakeholder and civic engagement to foster understanding and involvement and advance Richmond’s interests.

This report also supports Council’s Strategic Plan 2022–2026 Strategy #2 Strategic and Sustainable Community Growth:

Strategic and sustainable growth that supports long-term community needs and a well-planned and prosperous city.

This report also supports Council's Strategic Plan 2022–2026 Strategy #6 A Vibrant, Resilient and Active Community:

Vibrant, resilient and active communities supported by a wide variety of opportunities to get involved, build relationships and access resources.

6.1 Advance a variety of programs, services and community amenities to support diverse needs and interests and activate the community.

6.3 Foster intercultural harmony, community belonging and social connections.

6.4 Support vulnerable populations through collaborative and sustainable programs and services.

Analysis

The draft guiding principles were developed in collaboration with the Social Development Strategy Advisory Committee, which consists of representatives from key City departments and Richmond-based community organizations that provide a broad range of social services, including:

- City Centre Community Association
- Richmond Addiction Services Society
- Richmond Centre for Disability
- Richmond Family Place
- Richmond Multicultural Community Services
- Richmond Public Library
- Richmond School District
- Turning Point Recovery Society
- Vancouver Coastal Health

The Social Development Strategy Advisory Committee was formed to support the development of the new strategy and provide subject matter expertise on the diverse needs of community members. Other community organizations will be involved throughout the public engagement process.

Guiding Principles

Guiding principles are a set of values that establish a framework for expected behaviour and decision-making. They are intended to help guide the project team and the Advisory Committee through the different phases of the project. The following draft guiding principles are proposed to inform the development of a draft Social Development Strategy for Richmond.

1. **People-Centred:** Ensure the people who live, work, learn and play in Richmond are at the centre of the strategy's development and implementation. This includes utilizing an evidence-based and data-informed approach, considering both quantitative and qualitative information that values people's knowledge and lived experiences.
2. **Collective Impact:** Develop a shared vision with aligned strategic actions that promote collaboration across the community to draw on strengths from various levels of government, community agencies, non-profit organizations, the private sector and individual residents to achieve the best possible social outcomes for the Richmond community.
3. **Overarching Framework:** Provide an overarching framework to guide the City's approach in addressing city-wide issues related to social development and align with existing City strategies, plans and policies that address and affect social development.
4. **Inclusive and Accessible:** Commit to and facilitate public engagement processes that are inclusive and accessible that allow for a wide range of experiences and perspectives to be heard and considered in the design, implementation and evaluation of the strategy.
5. **Accountable:** Consider the roles and mandates of those involved in implementing the strategy to ensure actions and mechanisms for demonstrating progress and social impact are reliable, realistic and transparent.
6. **Responsive:** Ensure the strategy is based on current need, while being future-focused and proactive and developed in a manner that allows for agile, innovative and responsive action.

The draft guiding principles are intended to inform the development of the draft Social Development Strategy and guide the project team and Advisory Committee when making decisions, planning engagement activities and considering actions for the draft strategy.

Next Steps

Upon City Council endorsement of the proposed guiding principles, staff will undertake initial broad engagement activities that may include interviews, focus groups, pop-up events and a survey that would seek to understand the community's diverse social needs and priorities that will be considered in the development of the draft strategy.

Staff are working towards presenting a draft Social Development Strategy to City Council in the fourth quarter of 2023 for Council's consideration prior to seeking public input. Subsequently, the final draft of the Social Development Strategy, including public feedback on the draft strategy, will be presented to City Council for its consideration in the second quarter of 2024.

Financial Impact

None.

Conclusion

The guiding principles proposed in this report will set a strong foundation to help guide the project team and the Advisory Committee in creating the draft Social Development Strategy. Building on and advancing the progress made on the 2013–2022 Social Development Strategy, the new strategy will help sustain and enhance a vibrant, equitable and inclusive Richmond, and inform the City’s approach to responding to and addressing social matters in the community.



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City of Richmond

Report to Committee

To: Planning Committee **Date:** March 2, 2023
From: Kim Somerville **File:** 08-4057-05/2023-Vol 01
Director, Community Social Development
Re: **Housing Agreement Bylaw No. 10300 to Permit the City of Richmond to Secure Affordable Housing Units at 8100, 8120 and 8180 Westminster Highway**

Staff Recommendation

That Housing Agreement (8100, 8120 and 8180 Westminster Highway) Bylaw No. 10300 to permit the City to enter into a Housing Agreement substantially in the form attached hereto, in accordance with requirements of section 483 of the Local Government Act, to secure the Affordable Housing Units required by Development Permit DP 19-878817, be introduced and given first, second and third readings.

Kim Somerville
Director, Community Social Development
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Att. 1

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Staff Report

Origin

The purpose of this report is to recommend that City Council adopt Housing Agreement Bylaw No. 10300 to secure at least 967 m² (10,409 ft²) of floor area comprised of 16 affordable housing units in the proposed development located at 8100, 8120 and 8180 Westminster Highway (Attachment 1).

The applicant, 1176782 BC Ltd., has applied to the City for a Development Permit (DP 19-878817) to develop a 15-storey concrete high-rise tower with 130 dwelling units, including 16 affordable housing units and is consistent with the City's Affordable Housing Strategy 2017–2027. The Director of the numbered company, 1176782 BC Ltd., is Chi Qiu Zhang. Chi Qiu Zhang is also co-director of Rise-Sun North America Real Estate Ltd. The Development Permit for the subject development was endorsed by the Development Permit Panel on August 25, 2021 and complies with the contribution rate for affordable housing at that time which was 10 per cent of residential floor area. Because there is no rezoning associated with this development, it is not required to provide 15% of residential floor area as affordable housing units.

This report supports Council's Strategic Plan 2022–2026 Focus Area #2 Strategic and Sustainable Community Growth:

Strategic and sustainable growth that supports long-term community needs and a well-planned and prosperous city.

2.2 Develop and implement innovative and proactive solutions that encourage a range of housing options and prioritize affordability.

This report supports Social Development Strategy Goal #1: Enhance Social Equity and Inclusion:

Strategic Direction #1: Expand Housing Choices

This report is also consistent with the City of Richmond's Affordable Housing Strategy 2017–2027, including:

Strategic Direction #1: Use regulatory tools to encourage a diverse range of housing types and tenures.

Analysis

The subject development proposes the construction of 130 residential units, including 16 affordable housing units in the building. As the applicant has entered into a preliminary Memorandum of Understanding with S.U.C.C.E.S.S., an experienced non-profit housing operator, to manage the development's affordable housing units, the City has accepted clustering of the affordable housing units on Level 4 and Level 7 of the proposed building.

The proposed affordable housing units meet the requirements of the City's Affordable Housing Strategy. The habitable area of the 16 affordable housing units proposed represent approximately 10 per cent of the development's total residential floor area. Five units will be family-friendly, two and three-bedroom units, and the remaining 11 units will be studio and one-bedroom units. The affordable housing units in the building are anticipated to be delivered as shown in Table 1. Eighty-eight per cent of the affordable housing units are proposed to be built to include Basic Universal Housing (BUH) features.

Table 1: Proposed Unit Specifics

Unit Type	Affordable Housing Strategy Requirements			Project Targets
	Min. Unit Area	Max. Monthly Unit Rent*	Total Max. Household Income*	# of Units
Studio	37 m ² (400 ft ²)	\$811	\$34,650 or less	1 (6%)
1-BR	50 m ² (535 ft ²)	\$975	\$38,250 or less	10 (63%)
2-BR	69 m ² (741 ft ²)	\$1,218	\$46,800 or less	4 (25%)
3-BR	91 m ² (980 ft ²)	\$1,480	\$58,050 or less	1 (6%)
TOTAL	1,019 m² (10,970 ft²)			16

*To be adjusted annually based on the terms of the Housing Agreement.

The Housing Agreement restricts the annual household incomes and maximum rents for eligible occupants and specifies that the units must be made available at affordable rental housing rates in perpetuity. The Agreement includes provisions for annual adjustment of the maximum annual housing incomes and rental rates in accordance with City requirements. In addition, the Agreement restricts the owner from imposing any age-based restrictions on the tenants of the affordable housing units.

The Housing Agreement specifies that occupants of the affordable rental housing units shall have unlimited access to all indoor and outdoor residential amenity spaces as well as all associated shared facilities (e.g. visitor parking) in the development. Affordable housing tenants will not be charged any additional fees including parking fees, strata fees, amenity fees and move-in/move-out fees. In order to ensure that the owner is managing the affordable housing units according to the terms outlined in the Housing Agreement, the agreement permits the City to conduct a statutory declaration process no more than once a year. Should the owner choose to sell the affordable housing units, the Housing Agreement requires that all 16 units be sold to a single owner.

The applicant has agreed to the terms and conditions of the Housing Agreement and to register notice of the Housing Agreement on Title to secure the 16 affordable rental units.

Financial Impact

None.

March 2, 2023

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Conclusion

In accordance with the Local Government Act (Section 483), adoption of Bylaw No. 10300 is required to permit the City to enter into a Housing Agreement. Together with the Housing Covenant, this will act to secure 16 affordable rental units that are proposed in association with Development Permit DP 19-878817.

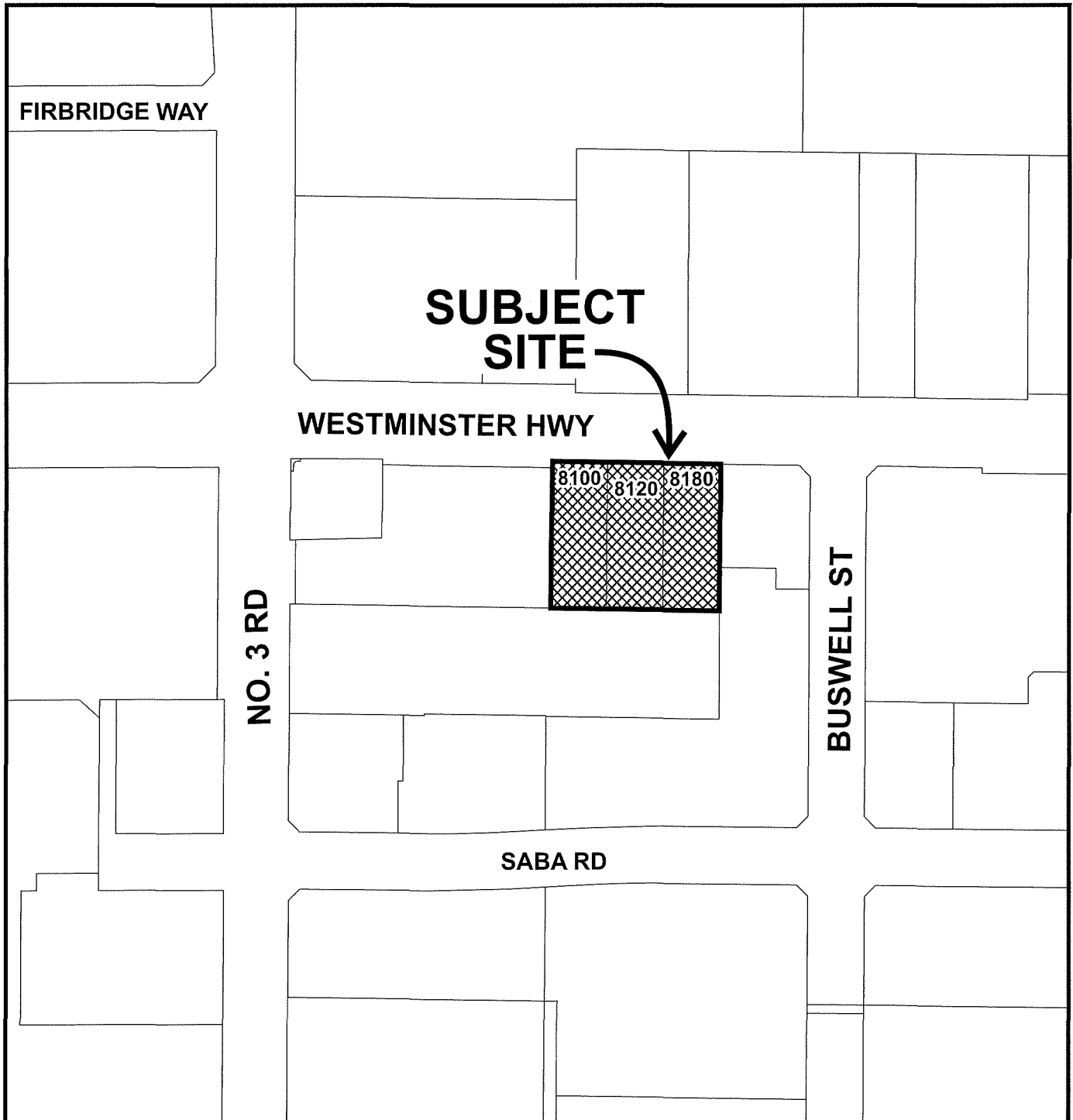
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Oren Newson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Oren Newson
Planner 2, Affordable Housing
(604-204-8648)

Att. 1: Map of 8100, 8120 and 8180 Westminster Highway



City of
Richmond



**8100, 8120 and
8180 Westminster Hwy**

Original Date: 02/28/23

Revision Date:

Note: Dimensions are in METRES



City of Richmond

Bylaw 10300

Housing Agreement (8100, 8120 and 8180 Westminster Highway) Bylaw No. 10300

The Council of the City of Richmond enacts as follows:

1. The Mayor and City Clerk for the City of Richmond are authorized to execute and deliver a housing agreement, substantially in the form set out as Schedule A to this Bylaw, with the owner of the lands legally described as:

PID: 004-060-547, Lot 1, Block 4N, Plan NWP8649, Section 9, Range 6W, Land District 36

PID: 011-316-454, Lot 2, Block 4N, Plan NWP8649, Section 9, Range 6W, Land District 36

PID: 011-316-462, Lot 3, Block 4N, Plan NWP8649, Section 9, Range 6W, Land District 36

2. This Bylaw is cited as **"Housing Agreement (8100, 8120 and 8180 Westminster Highway) Bylaw No. 10300"**.

FIRST READING

SECOND READING

THIRD READING

ADOPTED

CITY OF RICHMOND
APPROVED for content by originating dept. 
APPROVED for legality by Solicitor 

MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER

Schedule A

To Housing Agreement (8100, 8120 and 8180 Westminster Highway) Bylaw No. 10300

HOUSING AGREEMENT 1176782 BC LTD. AND CITY OF RICHMOND

HOUSING AGREEMENT
(Section 483 *Local Government Act*)

THIS AGREEMENT is dated for reference February 28, 2023,

BETWEEN:

1176782 B.C. LTD. (Incorporation No. BC1176782), a corporation pursuant to the *Business Corporations Act* and having an address at 400-999 West Broadway, Vancouver, British Columbia, V5Z 1K5

(the "**Owner**")

AND:

CITY OF RICHMOND, a municipal corporation pursuant to the *Local Government Act* and having its offices at 6911 No. 3 Road, Richmond, British Columbia, V6Y 2C1

(the "**City**")

WHEREAS:

- A. Capitalized terms used in these Recitals and in this agreement shall have the meanings ascribed in Section 1.1;
- B. Section 483 of the *Local Government Act* permits the City to enter into and, by legal notation on title, note on title to lands, housing agreements which may include, without limitation, conditions in respect to the form of tenure of housing units, availability of housing units to classes of persons, administration of housing units and rent which may be charged for housing units;
- C. The Owner is the owner of the Lands; and
- D. The Owner and the City wish to enter into this Agreement to provide for affordable housing on the terms and conditions set out in this Agreement,

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of \$10.00 and other good and valuable consideration (the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged by both parties), and in consideration of the promises exchanged below, the Owner and the City covenant and agree as follows:

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8100, 8120 and 8180 Westminster Highway
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ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

1.1 In this Agreement the following words have the following meanings:

- (a) **"Affordable Housing Unit"** means a Dwelling Unit or Dwelling Units designated as such in accordance with a Building Permit and/or Development Permit issued by the City and/or, if applicable, in accordance with any rezoning consideration applicable to the development on the Lands and includes, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Dwelling Units charged by this Agreement;
- (b) **"Agreement"** means this agreement together with all schedules, attachments and priority agreements attached hereto;
- (c) **"Building"** means any building constructed, or to be constructed, on the Lands, or a portion thereof, including each air space parcel into which the Lands may be Subdivided from time to time. For greater certainty, each air space parcel will be a Building for the purpose of this Agreement;
- (d) **"Building Permit"** means a building permit authorizing construction on the Lands, or any portion(s) thereof;
- (e) **"City"** means the City of Richmond;
- (f) **"City Solicitor"** means the individual appointed from time to time to be the City Solicitor of the Law Division of the City, or his or her designate;
- (g) **"Common Amenities"** means all indoor and outdoor areas, recreational facilities and amenities that are provided for common use of all residential occupants of the Development, or all Tenants of Affordable Housing Units in the Development, through the Development Permit process, including without limitation visitor parking, the required affordable housing parking and electric vehicle charging stations, loading bays, bicycle storage, fitness facilities, outdoor recreation facilities, and related access routes;
- (h) **"CPI"** means the All-Items Consumer Price Index for Vancouver, B.C., published from time to time by Statistics Canada, or its successor in function;
- (i) **"Daily Amount"** means \$100.00 per day as of January 1, 2009 adjusted annually thereafter by adding thereto an amount calculated by multiplying \$100.00 by the percentage change in the CPI since January 1, 2009, to January 1 of the year that a written notice is delivered to the Owner by the City pursuant to section 6.1 of this Agreement. In the absence of obvious error or mistake, any calculation by the City of the Daily Amount in any particular year shall be final and conclusive;
- (j) **"Development"** means the high-rise mixed-use development containing commercial space and residential units on the Lands;

- (k) **"Development Permit"** means the development permit authorizing the development of the Lands, or any portion(s) thereof, and includes Development Permit Application No. DP 19-878817;
- (l) **"Director, Community Social Development"** means the individual appointed to be the Director, Community Social Development from time to time of the Community Services Department of the City and his or her designate;
- (m) **"Director of Development"** means the individual appointed to be the chief administrator from time to time of the Development Applications Division of the City and his or her designate;
- (n) **"Dwelling Unit"** means a residential dwelling unit or units located or to be located on the Lands whether those dwelling units are lots, strata lots or parcels, or parts or portions thereof, and includes duplexes, townhouses, auxiliary residential dwelling units, rental apartments and strata lots in a building strata plan and includes, where the context permits, an Affordable Housing Unit;
- (o) **"Eligible Tenant"** means a Family having a cumulative gross annual income of:
 - (i) in respect to a studio unit, \$34,650.00 or less;
 - (ii) in respect to a one-bedroom unit, \$38,250.00 or less;
 - (iii) in respect to a two-bedroom unit, \$46,800.00 or less; or
 - (iv) in respect to a three or more bedroom unit, \$58,050.00 or less,

provided that, commencing January 1, 2019, the annual incomes set out above shall be adjusted annually on January 1st of each year this Agreement is in force and effect, by a percentage equal to the percentage of the increase in the CPI for the period January 1 to December 31 of the immediately preceding calendar year. If there is a decrease in the CPI for the period January 1 to December 31 of the immediately preceding calendar year, the annual incomes set out above for the subsequent year shall remain unchanged from the previous year. In the absence of obvious error or mistake, any calculation by the City of an Eligible Tenant's permitted income in any particular year shall be final and conclusive;

- (p) **"Family"** means:
 - (i) a person;
 - (ii) two or more persons related by blood, marriage or adoption; or
 - (iii) a group of not more than 6 persons who are not related by blood, marriage or adoption;
- (q) **"GST"** means the Goods and Services Tax levied pursuant to the *Excise Tax Act*, R.S.C., 1985, c. E-15, as may be replaced or amended from time to time;

- (r) **"Housing Covenant"** means the agreements, covenants and charges granted by the Owner to the City (which includes covenants pursuant to Section 219 of the *Land Title Act*) registered against title to the Lands in connection with the Development Permit;
- (s) **"Interpretation Act"** means the *Interpretation Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 238, together with all amendments thereto and replacements thereof;
- (t) **"Land Title Act"** means the *Land Title Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 250, together with all amendments thereto and replacements thereof;
- (u) **"Lands"** means, collectively, the lands and premises located at 8100, 8120 and 8180 Westminster Highway, Richmond, B.C., legally described as:
 - (i) PID: 011-316-462
Lot 3 Section 9 Block 4 North Range 6 West New Westminster District Plan 8649;
 - (ii) PID: 011-316-454
Lot 2 Section 9 Block 4 North Range 6 West New Westminster District Plan 8649; and
 - (iii) PID: 004-060-547
Lot 1 Section 9 Block 4 North Range 6 West New Westminster District Plan 8649;
- (v) **"Local Government Act"** means the *Local Government Act*, R.S.B.C. 2015, Chapter 1, together with all amendments thereto and replacements thereof;
- (w) **"Lot 1"** means Lot 1 Section 9 Block 4 North Range 6 West New Westminster District Plan EPP114542 to be created by the subdivision of the Lands;
- (x) **"LTO"** means the New Westminster Land Title Office or its successor;
- (y) **"Owner"** means the party described on page 1 of this Agreement as the Owner and any subsequent owner of the Lands or of any part into which the Lands are Subdivided, and includes any person who is a registered owner in fee simple of an Affordable Housing Unit from time to time;
- (z) **"Permitted Rent"** means no greater than:
 - (i) \$811.00 (exclusive of GST) a month for a studio unit;
 - (ii) \$975.00 (exclusive of GST) a month for a one-bedroom unit;
 - (iii) \$1,218.00 (exclusive of GST) a month for a two-bedroom unit; and
 - (iv) \$1,480.00 (exclusive of GST) a month for a three (or more) bedroom unit,

provided that, commencing January 1, 2019, the rents set out above shall be adjusted annually on January 1st of each year this Agreement is in force and effect, by a percentage equal to the percentage of the increase in the CPI for the period January 1 to December 31 of the immediately preceding calendar year. In the event that, in applying the values set out above, the rental increase is at any time greater than the rental increase permitted by the *Residential Tenancy Act*, then the increase will be reduced to the maximum amount permitted by the *Residential Tenancy Act*. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the *Residential Tenancy Act* or the *Residential Tenancy Regulation*, the foregoing cap on the increase to Permitted Rent to that permitted by the *Residential Tenancy Act* shall apply to the annual calculation of the maximum Permitted Rent independent of any exemption status of the Owner (i.e. non-profit housing society). If there is a decrease in the CPI for the period January 1 to December 31 of the immediately preceding calendar year, the permitted rents set out above for the subsequent year shall remain unchanged from the previous year. In the absence of obvious error or mistake, any calculation by the City of the Permitted Rent in any particular year shall be final and conclusive;

- (aa) "**Real Estate Development Marketing Act**" means the *Real Estate Development Marketing Act*, S.B.C. 2004, Chapter 41, together with all amendments thereto and replacements thereof;
- (bb) "**Residential Tenancy Act**" means the *Residential Tenancy Act*, S.B.C. 2002, Chapter 78, together with all amendments thereto and replacements thereof;
- (cc) "**Residential Tenancy Regulation**" means the *Residential Tenancy Regulation*, B.C. Reg. 477/2003, together with all amendments thereto and replacements thereof;
- (dd) "**Strata Property Act**" means the *Strata Property Act* S.B.C. 1998, Chapter 43, together with all amendments thereto and replacements thereof;
- (ee) "**Subdivide**" means to divide, apportion, consolidate or subdivide the Lands, or the ownership or right to possession or occupation of the Lands into two or more lots, strata lots, parcels, parts, portions or shares, whether by plan, descriptive words or otherwise, under the *Land Title Act*, the *Strata Property Act*, or otherwise, and includes the creation, conversion, organization or development of "cooperative interests" or "shared interest in land" as defined in the *Real Estate Development Marketing Act*;
- (ff) "**Tenancy Agreement**" means a tenancy agreement, lease, license or other agreement granting rights to occupy an Affordable Housing Unit; and
- (gg) "**Tenant**" means an occupant of an Affordable Housing Unit by way of a Tenancy Agreement.

1.2 In this Agreement:

- (a) reference to the singular includes a reference to the plural, and *vice versa*, unless the context requires otherwise;

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- (b) article and section headings have been inserted for ease of reference only and are not to be used in interpreting this Agreement;
- (c) if a word or expression is defined in this Agreement, other parts of speech and grammatical forms of the same word or expression have corresponding meanings;
- (d) reference to any enactment includes any regulations, orders or directives made under the authority of that enactment;
- (e) any reference to any enactment is to the enactment in force on the date the Owner signs this Agreement, and to subsequent amendments to or replacements of the enactment;
- (f) the provisions of section 25 of the *Interpretation Act* with respect to the calculation of time apply;
- (g) time is of the essence;
- (h) all provisions are to be interpreted as always speaking;
- (i) reference to a "party" is a reference to a party to this Agreement and to that party's respective successors, assigns, trustees, administrators and receivers. Wherever the context so requires, reference to a "party" also includes an Eligible Tenant, agent, officer and invitee of the party;
- (j) reference to a "day", "month", "quarter" or "year" is a reference to a calendar day, calendar month, calendar quarter or calendar year, as the case may be, unless otherwise expressly provided; and
- (k) where the word "including" is followed by a list, the contents of the list are not intended to circumscribe the generality of the expression preceding the word "including".

ARTICLE 2 USE AND OCCUPANCY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS

- 2.1 The Owner agrees that each Affordable Housing Unit may only be used as a permanent residence occupied by one Eligible Tenant. An Affordable Housing Unit must not be occupied by the Owner, the Owner's family members (unless the Owner's family members qualify as Eligible Tenants), or any tenant or guest of the Owner, other than an Eligible Tenant. For the purposes of this Article, "permanent residence" means that the Affordable Housing Unit is used as the usual, main, regular, habitual, principal residence, abode or home of the Eligible Tenant.
- 2.2 Within 30 days after receiving notice from the City, the Owner will, in respect of each Affordable Housing Unit, provide to the City a statutory declaration, substantially in the form (with, in the City Solicitor's discretion, such further amendments or additions as deemed necessary) attached as Schedule A, sworn by the Owner, containing all of the information required to complete the statutory declaration. The City may request such statutory declaration in respect to each Affordable Housing Unit no more than once in any

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- calendar year; provided, however, notwithstanding that the Owner may have already provided such statutory declaration in the particular calendar year, the City may request and the Owner shall provide to the City such further statutory declarations as requested by the City in respect to an Affordable Housing Unit if, in the City's absolute determination, the City believes that the Owner is in breach of any of its obligations under this Agreement.
- 2.3 The Owner hereby irrevocably authorizes the City to make such inquiries as it considers necessary in order to confirm that the Owner is complying with this Agreement.
- 2.4 The Owner agrees that notwithstanding that the Owner may otherwise be entitled, the Owner will not:
- (a) be issued with a Development Permit unless the Development Permit includes the Affordable Housing Units;
 - (b) be issued with a Building Permit unless the Building Permit includes the Affordable Housing Units;
 - (c) occupy, nor permit any person to occupy any Dwelling Unit or any portion of any Building, in part or in whole, constructed on the Lands and the City will not be obligated to permit final or provisional occupancy of any Dwelling Unit or Building constructed on the Lands until all of the following conditions are satisfied:
 - (i) the Affordable Housing Units and related uses and areas have been constructed to the satisfaction of the City;
 - (ii) the Affordable Housing Units have received final building permit inspection granting occupancy; and
 - (iii) the Owner is not otherwise in breach of any of its obligations under this Agreement or any other agreement between the City and the Owner in connection with the development of the Lands; and
 - (d) Subdivide the Lands or any part thereof unless all easements, covenants, rights of way and other agreements, to the satisfaction of the Director, Community Social Development and the City Solicitor, are in place to secure use of all Common Amenities by the Tenants and any permitted occupants and visitors to the Affordable Housing Units.
- 2.5 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the *Residential Tenancy Act* or the *Residential Tenancy Regulation*, the Owner will, for so long as the Affordable Housing Units remain located on the Lands, comply with sections 41 [Rent increases], 42 [Timing and notice of rent increases] and 43 [Amount of rent increase] of the *Residential Tenancy Act*, as such sections may be amended or replaced from time to time, with respect to rent increases for Tenants.

ARTICLE 3 DISPOSITION AND ACQUISITION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS

- 3.1 The Owner will not permit an Affordable Housing Unit or any Common Amenity assigned for the exclusive use of an Affordable Housing Unit to be subleased, or a Tenancy Agreement to be assigned, except as required under the *Residential Tenancy Act* and provided that for the avoidance of doubt, the Owner shall not exercise any discretion afforded to it under the *Residential Tenancy Act* to consent to any sublease or assignment which would result in the occupation or use of an Affordable Housing Unit or Common Amenity assigned for the exclusive use of an Affordable Housing Unit which is prohibited by or inconsistent with the terms and conditions of this Agreement or which would preclude the Owner from otherwise being able to comply with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 3.2 The Owner will not permit an Affordable Housing Unit to be used for short term rental purposes (being rentals for periods shorter than 30 days), or any other purposes that do not constitute a "permanent residence" of a Tenant or an Eligible Tenant.
- 3.3 If this Housing Agreement encumbers more than one Affordable Housing Unit, the following will apply:
 - (a) the Owner will not, without the prior written consent of the City, sell or transfer less than all of the Affordable Housing Units located in one Building in a single or related series of transactions, with the result that when the purchaser or transferee of the Affordable Housing Units becomes the owner, the purchaser or transferee will be the legal and beneficial owner of not less than all of the Affordable Housing Units in one Building;
 - (b) the Owner will not Subdivide that portion of the Lands which is to comprise Lot 1 in any manner which would result in the Affordable Housing Units being contained within individual strata lots, the Owner acknowledging and agreeing that if that portion of the Lands containing the Affordable Housing Units is subject to Subdivision by a Strata Plan, that the Affordable Housing Units will together form no more than one (1) strata lot;
 - (c) if the Development contains one or more air space parcels, each air space parcel and the remainder will be a "building" for the purpose of this section 3.3; and
 - (d) the Lands will not be Subdivided such that one or more Affordable Housing Units for their own air space parcel, separate from other Dwelling Units, without the prior written consent of the City.
- 3.4 Subject to the requirements of the *Residential Tenancy Act*, the Owner will ensure that each Tenancy Agreement:
 - (a) includes the following provision:

"By entering into this Tenancy Agreement, the Tenant hereby consents and agrees to the collection of the below-listed personal information by the Landlord and/or any operator or manager engaged by the Landlord and the disclosure by the Landlord and/or any operator

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or manager engaged by the Landlord to the City of Richmond (the "City") and/or the Landlord, as the case may be, of the following personal information which information will be used by the City to verify and ensure compliance by the Owner with the City's strategy, policies and requirements with respect to the provision and administration of affordable housing within the municipality and for no other purpose, each month during the Tenant's occupation of the Affordable Housing Unit:

- (i) a statement of the total, gross annual income once per calendar year from all sources (including employment, disability, retirement, investment, and other) of all members of the Tenant's household who are 18 years of age and over and who reside in the Affordable Housing Unit;
- (ii) number of occupants of the Affordable Housing Unit;
- (iii) number of occupants of the Affordable Housing Unit 18 years of age and under;
- (iv) number of occupants of the Affordable Housing Unit 55 years of age and over.";
- (b) defines the term "Landlord" as the Owner of the Affordable Housing Unit; and
- (c) includes a provision requiring the Tenant and each permitted occupant of the Affordable Housing Unit to comply with this Agreement.

- 3.5 At all times that this Agreement encumbers the Lands, the Owner shall retain and maintain in place a non-profit organization acceptable to the City to operate and manage all of the Affordable Housing Units in accordance with this Agreement and in accordance with the Housing Covenant. All Affordable Housing Units owned by the Owner must be managed and operated by one non-profit organization.

Without limiting the foregoing, the non-profit organization retained pursuant to this Section 3.5 must have as one of its prime objectives the operation of affordable housing. At the request of the City, from time to time, the Owner shall deliver to the City a copy the agreement (fully signed and current) with the non-profit organization, to evidence the Owner's compliance with this Section 3.5.

- 3.6 If the Owner sells or transfers any Affordable Housing Units, the Owner will notify the City Solicitor of the sale or transfer within three (3) days of the effective date of sale or transfer.
- 3.7 The Owner will not rent, lease, license or otherwise permit occupancy of any Affordable Housing Unit except to an Eligible Tenant and except in accordance with the following additional conditions:

- (a) the Affordable Housing Unit will be used or occupied only pursuant to a Tenancy Agreement;
- (b) the monthly rent payable for the Affordable Housing Unit will not exceed the Permitted Rent applicable to that class of Affordable Housing Unit;

- (c) the Owner will allow the Tenant and any permitted occupant and visitor to have full access to and use and enjoy all Common Amenities in the Development and will not Subdivide the Lands unless all easements and rights of way are in place to secure such use;
- (d) the Owner will not require the Tenant or any permitted occupant to pay any of the following:
 - (i) move-in/move-out fees;
 - (ii) strata fees;
 - (iii) strata property contingency reserve fees;
 - (iv) extra charges or fees for use of any Common Amenities, common property, limited common property, or other common areas, facilities or amenities, including without limitation parking, bicycle storage, electric vehicle charging stations or related facilities;
 - (v) extra charges for the use of sanitary sewer, storm sewer, or water; or
 - (vi) property or similar tax;

provided, however, that if the Affordable Housing Unit is a strata unit and the following costs are not part of strata or similar fees, an Owner may charge the Tenant the Owner's cost, if any, of:

- (vii) providing cable television, telephone, other telecommunications, or electricity fees (including electricity fees and charges associated with the Tenant's use of electrical vehicle charging infrastructure); and
 - (viii) installing electric vehicle charging infrastructure (in excess of that pre-installed by the Owner at the time of construction of the Development), by or on behalf of the Tenant;
- (e) the Owner will attach a copy of this Agreement to every Tenancy Agreement;
- (f) the Owner will include in the Tenancy Agreement a clause requiring the Tenant and each permitted occupant of the Affordable Housing Unit to comply with this Agreement;
- (g) the Owner will include in the Tenancy Agreement a clause entitling the Owner to terminate the Tenancy Agreement if:
 - (i) an Affordable Housing Unit is occupied by a person or persons other than an Eligible Tenant;
 - (ii) the annual income of an Eligible Tenant rises above the applicable maximum amount specified in section 1.1(o) of this Agreement;

- (iii) the Affordable Housing Unit is occupied by more than the number of people the City determines can reside in the Affordable Housing Unit given the number and size of bedrooms in the Affordable Housing Unit and in light of any relevant standards set by the City in any bylaws of the City;
- (iv) the Affordable Housing Unit remains vacant for three (3) consecutive months or longer, notwithstanding the timely payment of rent; and/or
- (v) the Tenant subleases the Affordable Housing Unit or assigns the Tenancy Agreement in whole or in part,

and in the case of each breach, the Owner hereby agrees with the City to forthwith provide to the Tenant a notice of termination. Except for section 3.7(g)(ii) of this Agreement [*Termination of Tenancy Agreement if Annual Income of Tenant rises above amount prescribed in section 1.1(o) of this Agreement*], the notice of termination shall provide that the termination of the tenancy shall be effective 30 days following the date of the notice of termination and the minimum amount of notice required by the *Residential Tenancy Act*. In respect to section 3.7(g)(ii) of this Agreement, termination shall be effective on the day that is six (6) months following the date that the Owner provided the notice of termination to the Tenant;

- 3.8 The Owner will forthwith deliver a certified true copy of any Tenancy Agreement to the City upon demand.
- 3.9 If the Owner has terminated the Tenancy Agreement, then the Owner shall use best efforts to cause the Tenant and all other persons that may be in occupation of the Affordable Housing Unit to vacate the Affordable Housing Unit on or before the effective date of termination.
- 3.10 The Owner shall not impose any age-based restrictions on Tenants of Affordable Housing Units, unless expressly permitted by the City in writing in advance.

ARTICLE 4 DEMOLITION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNIT

- 4.1 The Owner will not demolish an Affordable Housing Unit unless:
 - (a) the Owner has obtained the written opinion of a professional engineer or architect who is at arm's length to the Owner that the Affordable Housing Unit is no longer reasonable or practical to repair or replace any structural component of the Affordable Housing Unit, and the Owner has delivered to the City a copy of the engineer's or architect's report; or
 - (b) the Affordable Housing Unit is damaged or destroyed, to the extent of 40% or more of its value above its foundations, as determined by the City in its sole discretion,

and, in each case, a demolition permit for the Affordable Housing Unit has been issued by the City and the Affordable Housing Unit has been demolished under that permit.

Following demolition, the Owner will use and occupy any replacement Dwelling Unit in compliance with this Agreement and the Housing Covenant both of which will apply to any replacement Dwelling Unit to the same extent and in the same manner as those agreements apply to the original Dwelling Unit, and the Dwelling Unit must be approved by the City as an Affordable Housing Unit in accordance with this Agreement.

ARTICLE 5 STRATA CORPORATION BYLAWS

- 5.1 This Agreement will be binding upon all strata corporations created upon the strata title Subdivision of the Lands or any Subdivided parcel of the Lands.
- 5.2 Any strata corporation bylaw which prevents, restricts or abridges the right to use the Affordable Housing Units as rental accommodation, or imposes age-based restrictions on Tenants of Affordable Housing Units, will have no force and effect.
- 5.3 No strata corporation shall pass any bylaws preventing, restricting or abridging the use of the Affordable Housing Units as rental accommodation.
- 5.4 No strata corporation shall pass any bylaw or approve any levies which would result in only the Owner or the Tenant or any other permitted occupant of an Affordable Housing Unit (and not include all the owners, tenants, or any other permitted occupants of all the strata lots in the applicable strata plan which are not Affordable Housing Units) paying any extra charges or fees for the use of any Common Amenities, common property, limited common property or other common areas, facilities, or indoor or outdoor amenities of the strata corporation.
- 5.5 No strata corporation shall pass any bylaws or approve any levies, charges or fees which would result in the Owner or the Tenant or any other permitted occupant of an Affordable Housing Unit paying for the use of parking, bicycle storage, electric vehicle charging stations or related facilities, notwithstanding the foregoing, the strata corporation may levy such parking, bicycle storage, electric vehicle charging stations or other related facilities charges or fees on all the other owners, tenants, any other permitted occupants or visitors of all the strata lots in the applicable strata plan which are not Affordable Housing Units; provided, however, that the electricity fees, charges or rates for use of electric vehicle charging stations are excluded from this provision.
- 5.6 The strata corporation shall not pass any bylaw or make any rule which would restrict the Owner or the Tenant or any other permitted occupant of an Affordable Housing Unit from using and enjoying any Common Amenities, common property, limited common property or other common areas, facilities or amenities of the strata corporation, including parking, bicycle storage, electric vehicle charging stations or related facilities, except, subject to section 5.5 of this Agreement, on the same basis that governs the use and enjoyment of these facilities by all the owners, tenants, or any other permitted occupants of all the strata lots in the applicable strata plan which are not Affordable Housing Units.

ARTICLE 6 DEFAULT AND REMEDIES

6.1 The Owner agrees that, in addition to any other remedies available to the City under this Agreement or the Housing Covenant or at law or in equity, if:

- (a) an Affordable Housing Unit is used or occupied in breach of this Agreement;
- (b) an Affordable Housing Unit is rented at a rate in excess of the Permitted Rent;
- (c) an Affordable Housing Unit is operated and maintained by an entity that is not a non-profit organization acceptable to the City (as contemplated in Section 3.5); or
- (d) the Owner is otherwise in breach of any of its obligations under this Agreement or the Housing Covenant,

then, the Owner will pay the Daily Amount to the City for every day that the breach continues after ten (10) days written notice from the City to the Owner stating the particulars of the breach. For greater certainty, the City is not entitled to give written notice with respect to any breach of the Agreement until any applicable cure period, if any, has expired. The Daily Amount is due and payable five (5) business days following receipt by the Owner of an invoice from the City for the same.

6.2 The Owner acknowledges and agrees that a default by the Owner of any of its promises, covenants, representations or warranties set out in the Housing Covenant shall also constitute a default under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 7 MISCELLANEOUS

7.1 Housing Agreement

The Owner acknowledges and agrees that:

- (a) this Agreement includes a housing agreement entered into under section 483 of the *Local Government Act*;
- (b) where an Affordable Housing Unit is a separate legal parcel the City may file notice of this Agreement in the LTO against the title to the Affordable Housing Unit and, in the case of a strata corporation, may note this Agreement on the common property sheet; and
- (c) where the Lands have not yet been Subdivided to create the separate parcels to be charged by this Agreement, the City may file a notice of this Agreement in the LTO against the title to the Lands. If this Agreement is filed in the LTO as a notice under section 483 of the *Local Government Act* prior to the Lands having been Subdivided, then after the Lands are Subdivided and after partial or final occupancy has been granted for all Affordable Housing Units, this Agreement will secure only the legal parcels which contain the Affordable Housing Units.

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The City will partially discharge this Agreement accordingly, provided however that:

- (i) the City has no obligation to execute such discharge until a written request therefor from the Owners is received by the City, which request includes the registrable form of discharge;
- (ii) the cost of the preparation of the aforesaid discharge, and the cost of registration of the same in the LTO is paid by the Owners;
- (iii) the City has a reasonable time within which to execute the discharge and return the same to the Owners for registration; and
- (iv) the Owners acknowledge that such discharge is without prejudice to the indemnity and release set forth in sections 7.5 and 7.6.

The Owner acknowledges and agrees that notwithstanding a partial discharge of this Agreement, this Agreement will be and remain in full force and effect and, but for the partial discharge, otherwise unamended. Further, the Owner acknowledges and agrees that in the event that the Affordable Housing Unit is in a strata corporation, this Agreement shall remain noted on the strata corporation's common property sheet.

7.2 No Compensation

The Owner acknowledges and agrees that no compensation is payable, and the Owner is not entitled to and will not claim any compensation from the City, for any decrease in the market value of the Lands or for any obligations on the part of the Owner and its successors in title which at any time may result directly or indirectly from the operation of this Agreement.

7.3 Modification

Subject to section 7.1 of this Agreement, this Agreement may be modified or amended from time to time, by consent of the Owner and a bylaw duly passed by the Council of the City and thereafter if it is signed by the City and the Owner.

7.4 Management

The Owner covenants and agrees that it will furnish good and efficient management of the Affordable Housing Units and will permit representatives of the City to inspect the Affordable Housing Units at any reasonable time, subject to the notice provisions in the *Residential Tenancy Act*. The Owner further covenants and agrees that it will maintain the Affordable Housing Units in a good state of repair and fit for habitation and will comply with all laws, including health and safety standards applicable to the Lands, at no cost or charge to the Tenant.

The Owner further covenants and agrees that it will vote:

- (a) as owner of the Affordable Housing Units, in any applicable annual general meetings or special general meetings of a strata corporation; and
- (b) as owner of any air space parcel containing the Affordable Housing Units at any applicable meetings of the owners of other Subdivided parcels of that portion of the Lands to comprise Lot 1 or part thereof,

to ensure that the Common Amenities are maintained in a good state of repair by the strata corporation which includes the Affordable Housing Units and any of the Common Amenities, and the owner of the applicable air space parcel or remainder parcel which includes any of the Common Amenities, as applicable.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Owner acknowledges and agrees that the City, in its absolute discretion, may require the Owner, at the Owner's expense, to hire a person or company with the skill and expertise to manage the Affordable Housing Units.

7.5 Indemnity

The Owner will indemnify and save harmless the City and each of its elected officials, officers, directors, and agents, and their heirs, executors, administrators, personal representatives, successors and assigns, from and against all claims, demands, actions, loss, damage, costs and liabilities, which all or any of them will or may be liable for or suffer or incur or be put to by reason of or arising out of or in connection, directly or indirectly, or that would not or could not have occurred "but for" this Agreement:

- (a) any negligent act or omission of the Owner, or its officers, directors, agents, contractors or other persons for whom at law the Owner is responsible relating to this Agreement;
- (b) the City refusing to issue a Development Permit, Building Permit or refusing to permit occupancy of any Building, or any portion thereof, constructed on the Lands;
- (c) the construction, maintenance, repair, ownership, lease, license, operation, management or financing of the Lands or any Affordable Housing Unit or the enforcement of any Tenancy Agreement; and/or
- (d) without limitation, any legal or equitable wrong on the part of the Owner or any breach of this Agreement by the Owner.

7.6 Release

The Owner hereby releases and forever discharges the City and each of its elected officials, officers, directors, and agents, and its and their heirs, executors, administrators, personal representatives, successors and assigns, from and against all claims, demands, damages, actions, or causes of action by reason of or arising out of or in connection, directly or indirectly, or that would not or could not have occurred "but for" this Agreement:

- (a) construction, maintenance, repair, ownership, lease, license, operation or management of the Lands or any Affordable Housing Unit under this Agreement;

- (b) the City refusing to issue a Development Permit, Building Permit or refusing to permit occupancy of any Building, or any portion thereof, constructed on the Lands; and/or
- (c) the exercise by the City of any of its rights under this Agreement or an enactment.

7.7 Survival

The obligations of the Owner set out in this Agreement will survive termination or discharge of this Agreement, including but not limited to sections 7.5 and 7.6 above.

7.8 Priority

The Owner will do everything necessary, at the Owner's expense, to ensure that this Agreement, if required by the City Solicitor, will be noted against title to the Lands in priority to all financial charges and encumbrances which may have been registered or are pending registration against title to the Lands save and except those specifically approved in advance in writing by the City Solicitor or in favour of the City, and that a notice under section 483(5) of the *Local Government Act* will be filed on the title to the Lands.

7.9 City's Powers Unaffected

This Agreement does not:

- (a) affect or limit the discretion, rights, duties or powers of the City under any enactment or at common law, including in relation to the use or subdivision of the Lands;
- (b) impose on the City any legal duty or obligation, including any duty of care or contractual or other legal duty or obligation, to enforce this Agreement;
- (c) affect or limit any enactment relating to the use or subdivision of the Lands; or
- (d) relieve the Owner from complying with any enactment, including in relation to the use or subdivision of the Lands.

7.10 Agreement for Benefit of City Only

The Owner and the City agree that:

- (a) this Agreement is entered into only for the benefit of the City;
- (b) this Agreement is not intended to protect the interests of the Owner, any Tenant, or any future owner, lessee, occupier or user of the Lands or a Building or any portion thereof, including any Affordable Housing Unit; and
- (c) the City may at any time execute a release and discharge of this Agreement, without liability to anyone for doing so, and without obtaining the consent of the Owner.

7.11 **No Public Law Duty**

Where the City is required or permitted by this Agreement to form an opinion, exercise a discretion, express satisfaction, make a determination or give its consent, the Owner agrees that the City is under no public law duty of fairness or natural justice in that regard and agrees that the City may do any of those things in the same manner as if it were a private party and not a public body.

7.12 **Notice**

Any notice required to be served or given to a party herein pursuant to this Agreement will be sufficiently served or given if delivered, to the postal address of the Owner set out in the records at the LTO and in the case of the City addressed:

To: Clerk, City of Richmond
6911 No. 3 Road
Richmond, BC V6Y 2C1

Copy to: City Solicitor and the Director, Community Social Development
City of Richmond
6911 No. 3 Road
Richmond, BC V6Y 2C1

or to the most recent postal address provided in a written notice given by each of the parties to the other. Any notice which is delivered is to be considered to have been given on the first day after it is dispatched for delivery.

7.13 **Enuring Effect**

This Agreement will extend to and be binding upon and enure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

7.14 **Severability**

If any provision of this Agreement is found to be invalid or unenforceable, such provision or any part thereof will be severed from this Agreement and the resultant remainder of this Agreement will remain in full force and effect.

7.15 **Waiver**

All remedies of the City will be cumulative and may be exercised by the City in any order or concurrently in case of any breach and each remedy may be exercised any number of times with respect to each breach. Waiver of or delay in the City exercising any or all remedies will not prevent the later exercise of any remedy for the same breach or any similar or different breach.

7.16 **Sole Agreement**

This Agreement, and any documents signed by the Owners contemplated by this Agreement (including, without limitation, the Housing Covenant), represent the whole

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agreement between the City and the Owner respecting the use and occupation of the Affordable Housing Units, and there are no warranties, representations, conditions or collateral agreements made by the City except as set forth in this Agreement. In the event of any conflict between this Agreement and the Housing Covenant, this Agreement shall, to the extent necessary to resolve such conflict, prevail.

7.17 Further Assurance

Upon request by the City the Owner will forthwith do such acts and execute such documents as may be reasonably necessary in the opinion of the City to give effect to this Agreement.

7.18 Covenant Runs with the Lands

This Agreement burdens and runs with the Lands and every parcel into which it is Subdivided in perpetuity. All of the covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement are made by the Owner for itself, its personal administrators, successors and assigns, and all persons who after the date of this Agreement, acquire an interest in the Lands.

7.19 Equitable Remedies

The Owner acknowledges and agrees that damages would be an inadequate remedy for the City for any breach of this Agreement and that the public interest strongly favours specific performance, injunctive relief (mandatory or otherwise), or other equitable relief, as the only adequate remedy for a default under this Agreement.

7.20 No Joint Venture

Nothing in this Agreement will constitute the Owner as the agent, joint venturer, or partner of the City or give the Owner any authority to bind the City in any way.

7.21 Applicable Law

Unless the context otherwise requires, the laws of British Columbia (including, without limitation, the *Residential Tenancy Act*) will apply to this Agreement and all statutes referred to herein are enactments of the Province of British Columbia.

7.22 Deed and Contract

By executing and delivering this Agreement the Owner intends to create both a contract and a deed executed and delivered under seal.

7.23 Joint and Several

If the Owner is comprised of more than one person, firm or body corporate, then the covenants, agreements and obligations of the Owner shall be joint and several.

7.24 Limitation on Owner's Obligations

The Owner is only liable for breaches of this Agreement that occur while the Owner is the registered owner of the Lands, or parts thereof, provided however that notwithstanding that the Owner is no longer the registered owner of the Lands, or parts thereof, the Owner will remain liable for breaches of this Agreement that occurred while the Owner was the registered owner of the Lands, or parts thereof. For the avoidance of doubt, the Owner shall only be liable for breaches of this Agreement as registered owner of those portions of the Lands from which this Agreement has not been discharged in accordance with and subject to section 7.1(c).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

1176782 B.C. LTD. (INC. NO. BC1176782)

by its authorized signatory(ies):

Per: _____

Name: CHI QIU ZHANG

Per: _____

Name: _____

CITY OF RICHMOND

by its authorized signatory(ies):

Per: _____

Malcolm D. Brodie, Mayor

Per: _____

Claudia Jesson, Corporate Officer

CITY OF RICHMOND
APPROVED for content by originating dept.
Legal Advice
DATE OF COUNCIL APPROVAL (if applicable)

Schedule A to Housing Agreement

STATUTORY DECLARATION
(Affordable Housing Units)

CANADA)	IN THE MATTER OF Unit Nos. _____ - _____
)	(collectively, the " Affordable Housing Units ") located
)	at
)	_____
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA)	(<i>street address</i>), British Columbia, and Housing
)	Agreement dated _____, 20____ (the
TO WIT:)	" Housing Agreement ") between
)	_____ and
)	the City of Richmond (the " City ")

I, _____ (full name),

of _____ (address) in the Province

of British Columbia, DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE that:

1. I am the registered owner (the "**Owner**") of the Affordable Housing Units;
or,
I am a director, officer, or an authorized signatory of the Owner and I have personal knowledge of the matters set out herein;
2. This declaration is made pursuant to the terms of the Housing Agreement in respect of the Affordable Housing Units for each of the 12 months for the period from January 1, 20____ to December 31, 20____ (the "**Period**");
3. To the best of my knowledge, continuously throughout the Period:
 - a) the Affordable Housing Units, if occupied, were occupied only by Eligible Tenants (as defined in the Housing Agreement); and

- b) the Owner of the Affordable Housing Units complied with the Owner's obligations under the Housing Agreement and any housing covenant(s) registered against title to the Affordable Housing Units;
4. To the best of my knowledge, the information set out in the table attached as Appendix A hereto (the "**Information Table**") in respect of each of the Affordable Housing Units is current and accurate as of the date of this declaration; and
5. Each of the tenancy agreements entered into between the Owner and the respective occupants of the Affordable Housing Units contains the prior written consent from each of the occupants of the Affordable Housing Units named in the Information Table to: (i) collect the information set out in the Information Table, as such information relates to the Affordable Housing Unit occupied by such occupant/resident; and (ii) disclose such information to the City, for purposes of complying with the terms of the Housing Agreement.

And I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the *Canada Evidence Act*.

DECLARED BEFORE ME at

in the Province of British Columbia,

Canada, this _____ day of

_____, 20_____

(Signature of Declarant)

Name:

A Notary Public and a Commissioner
for taking Affidavits in and for the
Province of British Columbia

Declarations should be signed, stamped, and dated and witnessed by a lawyer, notary public, or commissioner for taking affidavits.

APPENDIX A

Building Name:		Building Address:		Property Manager Name:												
Property Management Company:		Property Manager Email:		Property Manager Phone Number:												
Row #	Unit #	Unit Type (Studio, 1 Bed, 2 Bed, 3 Bed)	Number of Occupants (#)	Related to Owner (Yes/No) (Provide one response per occupant)	Total Number of Occupants Under (#)	Total Number of Occupants 55 years and Over (#)	Starting Year of Tenancy	Before-tax Total Income(s) (if Occupant is 18+ Years) (Provide one response per occupant)	Income Verification Received (Yes/No) (Provide one response per occupant)	Before-tax Total Income of All Occupants 18+	Rent (\$/Month)	Parking Fees	Move-in/Move- out Fees	Storage Fees	Amenity Usage Fees	Other Tenant Fees
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