
The Fraser & Broadway COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE Meeting Notes – January 7th, 2015

Agenda

1. Partner Updates
2. Successes
3. Community Impact Notification
4. Update to Terms of Reference
5. Other Business
6. Next Meeting

Attendance (Bolded names indicate attendance)

Community Representatives:

- **Don Gardner** Community resident
- **Megan Reiter** Community resident
- Kay MacIntosh Community resident
- **Jaydean Cormier** Community resident
- **Ed Henderson** Community resident
- Lynn Warwick MP BIA
- **Leyda Molner** Kingsgate Mall Manager
- **Jocelyne Hamel** Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House Manager
- **Tanniar Leba** La Boussole
- Spencer Grimm Boys & Girls Club Odyssey II
- **Tina** Boys & Girls Club Odyssey II
- **Bill Briscall** Community resident
- Hope Sterling VSB-Florence Nightingale

City of Vancouver Representatives:

- **Michelle Vernooy**

Community Policing Centre:

- **Chris Taulu** ED of Collingwood CPC

VCH Raven Song:

- **Heidi Schmidt** Outreach Social Worker

Tenant Representatives:

- **Grayson Wood** Youth Tenant Rep BYRC

BC Housing Representative:

- **Justin Sekiguchi** Supportive Housing Advisor

Pacific Community Resource Centre/Broadway Youth Resource Centre Representatives:

- Jocelyn Helland – Manager of BYRC & Manager Youth Services PCRS Vancouver
- **Paul Chartier** – Vancouver Housing Program Supervisor BYRC
- **Allison Parker** – Supervisor BYRC

Vancouver Native Housing Society Representatives:

- **Shelly Hill** – COO
- **Jack Spitz** – Property Manager
- **Jim Arthur** – Building Manager
- **Lily Lok** – Program Manager
- **Justine Smoke** – Community Outreach Coordinator & CAC Co-Facilitator

Co-Facilitator:

- **Raymond Penner** – The Strategic Action Group

- *Note: These notes have been prepared by the facilitator to capture the essence of the meeting and are not intended to be a verbatim record. Community member advice/questions are noted in bold italics.*

1. The Updates

Brief introductions from new staff from VNHS.

VNHS-

- Tenant update: 29 to date. 50-60 tenants by the end of January. We will have a full house by the middle of March. We have had start-up kits donated to the tenants by Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House and VNHS have supplied every room with bedding.
- Program Manager- plans on doing some culturally appropriate programs with elders and also include life skills classes.

City of Vancouver-

- No updates.

Question from Resident-

- What is happening with the leasing of the commercial property on Broadway?

City of Vancouver-

- No update but will get back to the group with more information

Community Policing Centre-

- CPC will be working out of the FBW building. They will have a small area in the front lobby desk to write their reports. CPC will be doing their patrols in Mount Pleasant and have a presence in the neighbourhood. The CPC will work evening shifts.

BC Housing-

- No updates

VCH Raven Song-

- The outreach services will be connecting with Supportive Housing. Will be connecting when the building as soon as the tenants are all moved in. Raven Song will be open for 7 days a week starting Jan. 12th.

PCRS-

- Youth Housing: New building has been good.

BYRC-

- Fantastic space for the youth. Excited about expanding the youth drop-in programming to offer more opportunities in different areas.

2. Successes

Boys & Girls Club-

- The youth have been involved with both BYRC and Boys & Girls Club and it's a great success.

VNHS-

- Many tenants have been very happy with their new homes with their own private kitchen and bathrooms. Good staff for the building and everyone is very helpful and work great together.

Youth Rep-

- Happy with the front desk staff and they make them feel welcome into their home.

3. Community Impact Notifications

Facilitator-

- Can we ask about the impact of the pharmacy next door?

VNHS-

- The pharmacy next door has been on the radar. The building is fully secured with cameras, we can detect any issues and will address any issues as they come up

Community Policing Centre-

- Will ask VPD to follow up with the pharmacy.

Resident-

- Do the tenants have responses or problems with the pharmacy?

VNHS-

- No

Resident-

- Are the tenants allowed to have guests?

VNHS-

- No guests. A policy is in place for 6 months. It was lifted over the holidays but no issues. The tenant support teams are very proactive.

Resident-

- We need more notice for the residents of Mount Pleasant with any information for the building

VNHS-

- Will follow up and give out the information with enough time for everyone to obtain it.

4. Update to Terms of Reference

VNHS-

- Wanted to update the Terms of Reference with the ratio of service providers to residents. If there are any suggestions to how we can adjust this? How do we get enough voices at the table but compliment the amount of voices.

Resident-

- It's not about the number of people in attendance there isn't a wide awareness for the CAC and no mechanisms to make more awareness for the community. Wouldn't want to see a service provider with a role not be present because of a higher number of resident reps. Suggestions were to post notices on the building, MPNH post up in the newsletter, an open house with a tour of the building and then add names to the mailing list. Also using social media could be another suggestion.

Co-Facilitator-

- For the next steps maybe the way for the community to become involved by passing along that particular information amongst themselves such as the minutes and/or other information.

VNHS-

- Can coordinate the Open House together with the community

VNHS-

- Email options to put out our information.

MPNH-

- Yes we can put out VNHS info.

Facilitator-

- If anyone has questions or ideas on how to better implement outreach please email Justine.

5. Other Business

Facilitator-

- If any other business can add to the agenda

VNHS-

- Asked La Boussole when they will be moving downstairs in the commercial leasing.

La Boussole-

- They are negotiating with the city to secure two units and they are looking at April 2015 for possible move in date. They will be operating in Surrey until the move-in.

Resident-

- The maintenance of the building?

VNHS-

- We maintain the property on both sides Fraser and Broadway.

Action Items:

City of Vancouver: Get back to CAC with more information about the commercial leasing.

Community Policing Centre: Will ask VPD more information on the Pharmacy next door.

VNHS: Will follow up on getting the information out to the community with the following suggestion made at the CAC.

Next Meeting Scheduled for February 4th 2015 5pm-7pm