

South Shore Community Liaison Committee - Meeting Summary Notes

Meeting:	#3
DATE:	December 9, 2019
TIME:	6:00pm – 8:00pm
LOCATION:	Vancouver Fraser Port Authority head office
FACILITATOR:	Pam Ryan
NOTES PREPARED BY:	Alycia Majorkiewicz-Ata
ATTENDEES:	<p>Members:</p> <p>Community representatives Dorothy D. Barkley, Grandview Woodlands Area Council Trefor Smith, Strathcona Residents Association Mary-Helen Wright, Burrardview Community Association David Hutchinson, Member at Large Jeff Otto, Member at Large</p> <p>Organizations Chris Robertson, City of Vancouver Peter A. Idema, Viterra Arnold J. Jaggernauth, Western Lantic Canada Angela Kirkham, DP World</p> <p>Indigenous representatives Carleen Thomas, Tsleil-Waututh First Nation</p> <p>Vancouver Fraser Port Authority Peter Xotta, Vice President, Planning and Operations Naomi Horsford, Manager, Municipal and Stakeholder Relations Alycia Majorkiewicz-Ata, Municipal and Stakeholder Relations Advisor Anita Gill, Port Security Officer, Manager, Security Duncan Webb, Manager, Safety and Emergency Management</p>
REGRETS:	Kate Walker, Member at Large Luc Lamont-Caputo, Member at Large Howard Grant, Musqueam First Nation Joslyn Young, CN Mike LoVecchio, CP

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1. Welcome and introductions	Roundtable introductions for the benefit of the invited presenters and first-time committee members.
2. Operations centre tour	<p>The committee visited the port authority's operations centre for a tour led by Anita Gill, Manager, Security; Duncan Webb, Manager, Safety and Emergency Management; and Tony Benincasa, Manager, Logistics & Operations.</p> <p>Q&A highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The port authority's Operations Centre is on task 24-hours-a-day, seven days a week.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The office staff, harbour patrol officers and security team monitor activities within the port authority's jurisdiction, communicate with other agencies and help coordinate response efforts in emergencies. • The Port of Vancouver eHub app, provides real-time insights to the operations at the Port of Vancouver, including container and cruise terminal status, port roadway and South Shore rail activities, and vessels in port. The eHub app is available for free download online.
<p>3. Presentation: Vancouver Fraser Port Authority – Security Overview</p>	<p>Anita Gill, Manager, Security, and Duncan Webb, Manager, Safety and Emergency Management provided an overview of port security including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mandate and role of the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority • Role of other organizations • Legislated responsibilities – <i>Canada Marine Act</i>, Marine Transportation Security Regulations • Compliance and enforcement program <p>Q&A highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Majority of port-related security incidents have police attendance. • Transport Canada and intelligence agencies collaborate with the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority on the level of security depending on the type of threat. The level of security can be scaled up or down. • The port authority works closely with many different security partners, all of which have different mandates. For example, the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) has enforcement jurisdiction for anything coming into Canada on a vessel and the federal RCMP has jurisdiction over investigating transnational crimes. • Most security measures are undertaken in restricted areas rather than in public spaces. For example, CBSA could determine a vessel as a risk well before it comes into port and have facilities on terminals for inspection. • There is a lot of focus put into containers – inspecting for contraband, pests and doing random checks. • Ports Canada Police were disbanded in all Canadian ports over 30 years ago. Currently, the federal RCMP has jurisdiction over federal level crimes at the Port of Vancouver. Local police of jurisdiction are responsible for incidents and 911 calls. Many security partners are in place and each agency has assumed a specific responsibility and works to share information with one another. The integrated model works between partners based on the trusted relationships that have been built. • The world has changed significantly since the time when members of the public had free access to the water's edge along Commissioner Street. Cargo volumes have increased significantly, and there are more security and safety programs related to daily terminal operations, train movements, national security, and other port operations in place. Allowing increased public access to these busy industrial areas would pose an unacceptable and preventable safety risk. • The port authority has been making improvements to New Brighton Park and CRAB Park, in recognition of the desire for more public access to the waterfront. The port authority, however, is not prepared to allow additional public access to the industrial waterfront at this time. • Because the port authority owns the Canada Place Cruise Ship Terminal, it works directly with cruise ship operators. Security staff enter into a declaration of security directly from cruise ships officers. Other vessels that visit the port share their declaration of security with the terminal at which they berth. • The port authority coordinates event planning (e.g. Canada Day at Canada Place) and seismic planning with the City of Vancouver's eComm Centre.

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	<p>ACTION: Anita to provide additional information related to port-related incidents that are referred to police.</p> <p>Post-meeting follow-up: Factors that may determine police attendance include suspicious activity; severity of risk to infrastructure, assets, people or reputation; and disruption of port operations.</p>
<p>4. Community/organizational happenings</p>	<p>Highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Western Lantic Canada have been having valuable meetings with the Centerm Expansion Project (CXP) and feel that communication has been a strength. • Viterra’s oldest grain elevator is being decommissioned and removed. In the near term, the site will be used as a parking area, with long-terms plans to construct a new grain elevator. • The City of Vancouver’s 2020 budget deliberations are underway. Its city-wide Vancouver Plan process has launched. The Vancouver Plan will be a strategic, long-range plan that guides the city to 2050 and beyond. The first step in the planning process is listening to the community. • DP World staff raised \$70,000 to benefit the St. Paul’s Hospital. Their annual employee donation campaign is in its 10th year. • The Strathcona community has concerns about noise, safety and air quality related to the impacts connected to the decision to calm Prior Street. • As follow-up to questions raised at the previous committee meeting regarding garbage disposal, shade, access to drinkable water and improving the off-leash area at New Brighton Park, the City of Vancouver Parks Board has responsibility for managing New Brighton Park. • Burrardview community members have been focused on Dusty Greenwell Park upgrades and will meet in January. <p>ACTION: Chris to share New Brighton Park community concerns and suggested improvements with appropriate contact at the Parks Board.</p>
<p>5. Port authority update</p>	<p>Updates were provided regarding the following projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Centerm Expansion Project and South Shore Access Project • Land Use Plan update engagement • ECHO program: 2019 summer underwater noise reduction initiatives <p>Q&A highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordination with city traffic lights on trucking routes is deferred to the city planners, as they focus on areas where adjustments are most needed. Vehicle diesel emissions increase in congestion as vehicles must stop and start; however, improved emission standards are helping to reduce per-vehicle emission rates. It was noted that during peak hours, there is a lot of truck traffic around Campbell and Hastings streets where a Ray-Cam daycare is located. • The Centerm improvements truck detour which requires all port traffic to exit via Heatley Avenue overpass will begin in early February 2020 and run for approximately six months. This will result in a temporary increase in port-related traffic on local roads. Once the projects are complete, there will be a significant decrease in the number of port-related traffic on local roads in the Downtown Eastside and East Vancouver. <p>ACTION: Naomi/port authority project team to connect with Ray-Cam Community Centre to discuss upcoming trucking detour.</p>
<p>6. Committee correspondence</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Strathcona Residential Train Noise Group requested to make a presentation about train movement along the Burrard Inlet Line. CN suggested it would be worthwhile for the committee to also learn more about CN. The committee is

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	<p>interested in both presentations, with timing to be confirmed. When the date is confirmed, the City of Vancouver would like to invite city traffic engineers to attend.</p> <p>ACTION: Mandy to follow up with Strathcona Residential Train Noise Group regarding the presentation offer from this group, with requirement that the presentation be limited to 10 minutes and sent in advance so that the committee is prepared to review and comment.</p>
7. Committee admin	<p>Committee administration:</p> <p>2019 community holiday donation of \$1,000.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 2019 donation would be split evenly between the Union Gospel Mission and the Bloom Group's Cottage Hospice. <p>Proposed 2020 meeting schedule</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calendar invitations will be sent for the following 2020 meeting dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February 11 • April 29 • June 30 • August 25 • October 22 • December 1 <p>ACTION: Mandy to send out calendar invitations for meetings in 2020.</p> <p>Other venue suggestions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee discussed that Vancouver Fraser Port Authority's office works well as a meeting location. The Strathcona public library was also suggested as a potential location. It was agreed that whatever location was decided on, the room would need to be conducive to the meeting needs (AV, enough table and chairs, etc.) <p>Year-end member feedback</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In an effort to learn about how committee members are feeling about the SSCLC, how the group is meeting its objectives, and to understand what has been working well and what can be improved, Pam will be contacting committee members to hold private or group (depending on preference) feedback sessions in the coming weeks. <p>Future presentations/agenda topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Environment presentation including air quality and noise studies (independent and port authority) with a focus on South Shore issues – scheduled for February. • Strathcona Residential Train Noise Group and CN presentation – targeted for April. • Clark Street overpass project (suggested but not a port authority project, so deferred). • Port authority's ECHO program – potential future meeting.
8. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adjournment and reminder of next meeting date: <i>February 11, 2020 (Vancouver Fraser Port Authority office)</i>

Action items

Action	Lead	Status
Provide additional information related to port-related incidents that are referred to police.	Mandy	In progress
Connect with Ray-Cam to discuss upcoming trucking detour.	Naomi	In progress

Follow up with Strathcona Residential Train Noise Group regarding the presentation offer from this group.	Mandy	In progress
Send calendar invitations for meetings in 2020.	Mandy	Complete