



South Shore Community Liaison Committee

Meeting Summary Notes

Meeting details	
Date:	December 9, 2021
Time:	6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Location:	Online meeting (Zoom)
Facilitator:	Pam Ryan, Lucent Quay Consulting
Attendees:	<p>Community representatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dorothy D. Barkley, Grandview Woodlands Area Council • Andrea Kastanis, Strathcona Residents Association • Mary-Helen Wright, Burrardview Community Association • Jeff Otto, Member at Large • Kate Walker, Member at Large • David Hutchinson, Member at Large <p>Organization representatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peter A. Idema, Viterra • Arnold J. Jaggernauth, Western Lantic Canada • Mike LoVecchio, Canadian Pacific Railway • Chris Robertson, City of Vancouver • Angela Kirkham, DP World <p>Vancouver Fraser Port Authority representatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candace McLellan, Municipal and Stakeholder Relations Advisor, Community and Government Relations <p>Guest – CP Commissioner Street Rail Expansion Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presenter: Kiley Gibson, Canadian Pacific Railway • Taylor Bamford, Kirk and Co. • Paul Schaap, Dillon Consulting • Noel Allison, Planner, Planning and Development, Vancouver Fraser Port Authority <p>Guest – Vancouver Fraser Port Authority</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrea Kwasnicki, Public Engagement Advisor, Planning and Development
Regrets:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tyler Banick, Canadian National Railway • Peter Xotta, Vice President, Planning and Operations • Naomi Horsford, Manager, Municipal and Community Relations • Carleen Thomas, Tsleil-Waututh First Nation • Councillor Richard Sparrow, Musqueam First Nation • Luc Lamont-Caputo, Member at Large
Previous meeting date	September 28, 2021

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1. Welcome, acknowledgements and introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pam welcomed everyone and recognized the First Nations territories in which the port authority operates and the communities from which participants were joining. • Members and guests introduced themselves
2. Presentation and discussion: CP Commissioner Street Rail Expansion Project	<p>Kiley Gibson, CP presented on the CP Commissioner Street Rail Expansion Project. She provided an overview on the project and its engagement and construction activities.</p> <p>Discussion highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neighbouring community experience – several community participants have sent letters concerning the potential short- and long-term impacts of this project. Discussions around how these impacts are considered in the PER process. • ACTION: Mike LoVecchio (CP) to meet with the Burrardview community group regarding this project. • ACTION: VFPA to provide more information about how the short- and long-term impacts of this project are considered during the PER process. • Noise continues to be a concern, both from construction and shunting operations. CP completed a noise study through a third party, as part of the PER process. This project will not increase the total number of trains; rather, it will allow for longer trains, which will yield less switching than prior to the project, which is expected to reduce the amount of shunting-related noise experienced in the community. • Discussions around potential for increased rail traffic in the future. CP is investing in new-generation hopper cars that carry more grain per car, which will help limit future increases in the number of trains. There is no new crossing but a change in the existing rail crossing into Columbia Containers.
3. Community/organizational happenings	<p>Highlights: Committee members engaged in a round-table discussion of recent happenings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike highlighted the significant recent weather-related impacts on the supply chain. CP experienced 32 washouts and suspended operations on for 30 hours on November 15 to assess damages to infrastructure. A recovery plan was implemented with service restored in six days. This weather event offered insights into the importance of the supply chain. • Jeff spoke of concerns with derelict vessels in False Creek. • Mary-Helen shared that a new garden may be added within the footprint of Burrardview Park . She thanked Mike for his offer to meeting with the Burrardview Community Association. • Angela provided an update on the Centerm Expansion Project progress since our previous committee meeting on Sept 28, 2021. She also shared results from the annual Centerm employee fundraising program. • Dorothy shared news of Christmas on the Drive and community concerns with the proposed Safeway site redevelopment on Commercial at Grandview Highway. • Andrea expressed community concerns with the proposed housing development on Prior Street. The <i>Celebrate Strathcona</i> event may take place in June 2022 and committee members are encouraged to attend.

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	<p>Andrea also noted increased concerns with truck traffic congestion on Campbell Street.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kate expresses concerns around the size and safety of container vessels entering the Port of Vancouver. ACTION: Pam to add this as a topic for a future meeting. • Peter shared that 2021 was an off year for Canadian grain crops, which is expected to yield less rail activity at Viterra for the next quarter. He also noted that a few capital projects are finishing up. • Arnold commented on the incredible industry cooperation during recent weather-related events, which resulted in zero customer complaints. • Chris advised that City of Vancouver Council approved the 2022 budget with a 6.35% property tax increase. Vandalism has increased dramatically during the pandemic. Vandalism and climate change are two additions to the 2022 budget. • David noted that community activity has been pretty quiet. He asked about the North Kootenay/Skeena detour of the Trans Canada Trail and asked as to long term plans for an improved connection.
4. Port authority update	<p>Candace McLellan provided a port authority update, which included the following initiatives and projects:</p> <p>General updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supply chain impacts in BC • ZIM Kingston Update <p>Port authority-led/funded projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Centerm Expansion project and South Shore Access Project • Commissioner Street Road and Rail Realignment Project <p>Tenant-led/other projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed CP Commissioner Street Rail Expansion Project • Columbia Containers Ltd. Shoreline protection and rehabilitation project • Saam Towage – operations center, 2285 commissioner street • Western Canada Marine Response Corporation – Oil Spill emergency response base • Sterling Shipyard remediation and infill project
5. Neighbourhood opportunities brainstorming discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee brainstormed some ideas for future. Highlights include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Participate in car free/Italian Day on Commercial Drive - Participate in <i>Celebrate Strathcona</i> (June 2022) - Reflect on what we achieved – knowledge transfer was phenomenal - Share information about port impact with communities that traditionally experience being marginalized - Identify common concerns and interests – enhance our information sharing • Action: Pam will summarize and look for opportunities to incorporate these suggestions into upcoming meeting agenda.
6. 2021 Terms of Reference and year in review discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee briefly discussed the current term of reference; the importance of consistent participation was noted. • Arnold suggested that more open discussion of potential solutions to community issues raised during the meetings should be considered. • ACTION: Candace to send out the most recent terms of reference for review by committee members

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7. Committee admin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following some discussion, the committee agreed to allocate this year's donation to Union Gospel Mission and the Red Cross BC Flood Relief • 2022-committee schedule: the committee agreed upon four committee meetings per year with one potential tour. Evenings are still preferred still work for the committee. Request for meeting dates to be off council nights for City of Vancouver (Tuesdays and wed/some Thursdays) • ACTION: Pam conducted the year-end evaluation survey via through a six-question poll to the committee members present. She will follow up with those who could not attend and present the results at our next meeting. • Future presentations of interest (by priority level) are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cruise - Individual Port of Vancouver tenant updates/virtual tours - Trucking - About the Port of Vancouver (legislation, government oversight, structure, history and future) - Neighbourhood opportunities - Wrecked, Abandoned or Hazardous Vessels Act (Transport Canada) - Terminal business overview presentations - Dangerous goods movement (Transport Canada) - Rail initiatives - Enhancing Cetacean Habitat and Observation (ECHO) Program - Environmental programs - Port of Vancouver container capacity
8. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Action items

Action	Lead	Status
Provide committee information about BI Line project when available, as well as timeframe for BI twinning	Tyler	Complete <i>More information to be shared when available</i>
Share the findings of the 2021 committee evaluation survey at the next meeting.	Pam	In progress
Send out the most recent terms of reference for review by committee members.	Candace	In progress
Mike LoVecchio (CP) to meet with the Burrardview community group regarding this project.	Mike	In progress
VFPA to outline how the short and long-term impacts of this project are taken into consideration during the PER process.	Candace	In progress
Add container capacity overview and community opportunities to future committee discussion topics.	Candace/Pam	In progress