



East Vancouver Port Lands and Liaison Committee Meeting Summary Notes

Meeting:	#6
Date:	August 11, 2020
Time:	6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Location:	Online meeting
Chair:	Alycia Majorkiewicz-Ata
Notes prepared by:	Alycia Majorkiewicz-Ata
Attendees:	<p>Members:</p> <p>Barb Fousek, BCA Harry Mah, BCA John Hawthorne, BCA Andrew Pask, City of Vancouver</p> <p>Regular participants Peter Idema, Viterra</p> <p>Vancouver Fraser Port Authority Regan Elley, Planner Alycia Majorkiewicz-Ata, Municipal and Stakeholder Relations Advisor</p> <p>Guests: Jenny Konkin, EVPL resident David Plackett, EVPL resident Jack Tupper, Landscape Architect I , Vancouver Park Board Amy Do, Transportation Design Engineer, City of Vancouver</p>
Regrets:	Naomi Horsford, Manager, Municipal and Stakeholder Relations Mike LoVecchio, CP

Agenda topic	Discussion/Action items
1. Presentations	
1.1 Dusty Greenwell Park upgrades by Jack Tupper, Vancouver Park Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are various possibilities on how to use the \$50,000 towards Dusty Greenwell Park, although it should be noted that the funds would only allow a modest upgrade • Possibilities shared by Park Board (but not limited to) include improving wheelchair access, widening the footpath, upgrading pathways, replacing benches and ensuring their position provides scenic views, changing seating to single seats that are grouped, and adding interpretive signage <p>Discussion highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compact gravel paths are considered as wheelchair accessible, but community members share that in reality these types of paths are not easily accessible for wheelchairs or strollers • Conversation around the need for regular trimming of overgrown plants, especially blackberry bushes and that it should be considered as an ongoing maintenance by the park board, rather than included as a park upgrade cost. Various land jurisdictions complicate a regular maintenance routine. • In discussion with the local community, the Burrard Community Association (BCA) will present preferred park upgrade suggestions for the park board's consideration • As not to rush the engagement with the community, Park Board would confirm types of upgrades until early next 2021. <p>ACTION: BCA to send park upgrade suggestions directly to Andrew Pask</p>
1.1 Wall Street/Portside Greenway – Near-term & longer-term opportunities by Amy Do, City of Vancouver	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slow Streets is a way of re-shaping how streets and public spaces are used. They are on existing greenways and local streets where light interventions are introduced to reduce and slow down traffic. Planned location is based on several factors, including traffic volumes, signalized crossings at busier streets, equity and access to green space, nearby parks, and community amenities. • Since May 2020, 40 km of Slow Streets with simple traffic barriers and signs has been installed. • This fall, temporary traffic calming measures are going to be implemented on selected Slow Streets to help reduce motor vehicle volumes and make these routes more comfortable for walking, cycling and rolling. • As part of the Slow Streets upgrades, additional signage and concrete barriers will be installed and there will be some local changes to parking and traffic circulation • In the EVPL area, Slow Streets are currently planned at Wall Street at Oxford Street, Wall Street at Trinity and Wall Street at Renfrew. Depending on its success, some Slow Streets have potential to be implemented for the long term. • The City is asking for feedback about how these changes are working. The survey can be accessed at [shapeyourcity.ca] <p>Discussion highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local residents will be able to access Slow Street networks, but there will be deterrents for others from using it to beat traffic hot spots • Once implemented, takes approximately two months for the traffic patterns to stabilize • The City will also be looking for community feedback to assess Slow Streets, not only dependent on the data received from the survey. EVPL members can send comments directly to Andrew Pask.

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2. New business	
2.1 Port updates	<p>The following port updates were provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID-19 impacts to port industry • Annual General Meeting • Community awareness campaign • Centerm Expansion Project and South Shore Access Project • Commissioner Street Road and Rail Project • Columbia Containers Ltd. shoreline protection rehabilitation • Land Use Plan amendment and five-year update • Enhancing Cetacean Habitat and Observation (ECHO) Program • Mariner Seafoods shoreline improvement project • 90 Waterfront Road: Temporary project office • Kiewit Ledcor TMEP Partnership 2115 Commissioner Street – Temporary construction staging, barge loading • Cascadia Terminal Modular Office Building Installation
2.2 Other business	<p>Viterra update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Viterra’s utility bridge project is postponed to next summer • Bag house upgrades are going through the port authority’ permitting process. The goal of this project is to reduce noise level and replace four existing dust filters and fans currently located on the track shed roof at a new location on site with one. • The proposed work does not require a noise assessment as anticipated noise levels are to remain below current noise levels due to the improvements. • A member raised that there has been a lot of train shunting around Viterra’s terminal. It was explained that there is multitude of operations below Wall Street and it was likely that seasonal rail employees were filling in shortages of rail yard operations, who may not be aware of the typical protocol within the area.
2.3 Action item review	<p>Connect with Columbia’s staff and work towards reducing noise where appropriate after regular business hours and on weekends</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member shared that Columbia was working until 11:00 p.m. at night. The noise from moving containers is very loud for adjacent residents; there is also no light mitigation. • Columbia is on federal port land and municipal bylaws do not apply on federal lands. The port authority works with the independently owned and operated port terminals and facilities wherever possible to ensure impacts such as noise are reduced, however when noise is a result of routine port activities it cannot be avoided. <p>ACTION – Regan to look into Columbia’s permit</p>

Action items

Meeting Date	Action Item	Lead	Status
April 25, 2019	Connect with staff and work towards reducing noise where appropriate after regular business hours and on weekends	Dean Giles, Columbia Containers	In progress

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April 25, 2019	Look into Sunday forklift operations and review need for hours of work and operations	Dean Giles, Columbia Containers	In progress
January 23, 2020	EVPL Members to participate on a South Shore tour	Naomi/Alycia, Port Authority	In progress
January 23, 2020	Andrew to connect with Park Board on an information consultation process to generate ideas for Dusty Greenwell Park improvements	Andrew Pask/ Kirsten Behler, City of Vancouver	Complete
August 11, 2020	BCA to send Dusty Greenwell Park upgrade suggestions directly to Andrew Pask	Barb Fousek, BCA	In progress
August 11, 2020	Regan to look into Columbia's permit	Regan Port Authority	In progress