

**QUEENS PARK RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION  
GENERAL MEETING**

**SUNDAY, November 6, 2016 2-4 pm**

**CENTENNIAL LODGE, QUEEN'S PARK**

Directors Present: Kathleen Langstroth (President), Steve Norman (Vice-President), Gail Ancill, Steve North, Mari-Lou Nidle, Catherine Hutson, Joan Davis, Bob Davis, Bev McLellan

Absent: Karen Smith, Berril Perks

Chair: Steve Norman (Vice-president)

Minutes: Mari-Lou Nidle

**1. CALL TO ORDER – QUORUM CHECK**

- Meeting called to order at 2:07 pm
- Moved, seconded and carried to approve agenda (Langstroth ) Colleen McDonald

**2. INTRODUCTIONS**

- Britney Quail is the new heritage planner and City rep to QPRA

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JUNE 12, 2016**

- Moved, seconded and carried to approve minutes of February 21, 2016
- Motion to adopt (Kathleen Langstroth) Second (Joan Davis)

**4. CONSTITUTION REVISION (draft on website)**

- Adoption of Revised Constitution (Gail Ancill)
- Second (Maureen Arvanitides)
  
- Concerns of new Constitution – none
- Changes made to Constitution
  - Membership of the QPRA must be of voting age
  - Clarification that committees are not free standing and must report to the Association.
  - Electronic Polling process added
  - Security added
  - Membership donation asked to defray Association costs.
  - QPRA representatives are not their own task force but must represent the Association.
  - If a Director has a prolonged absence and not involved – they can be asked to step down.
  - Directors will take a review every five years of the Constitution.
  - Directors will vote on the officer positions.
  - The boundaries of the association are to be jointly agreed to by both the QPRA and the city not just the city.

#### QUESTIONS BROUGHT FORTH:

- Question on the boundaries of QP and how they are defined.
- Is the Association an entity of the city?
- Constitution approved by more than 2/3 of members in attendance in adherence with the constitution.

#### 5. TREASURER'S REPORT (Catherine Hutson)

- Thanking and acknowledgement of Joan Davis in her role of Treasurer for many years.
- The HSBC account monies were transferred to the newly opened account at Westminster Savings (May 31, 2016)

See Attached Treasurers Report.

- Balance forward at AGM Nov. 8, 2015 – \$211.74
- Balance as Nov. 5, 2016 M

Motion to adopt (Steve North) Second (Bev McLellan)

#### QUESTIONS:

Does the city provide any funding to the Association?

No, but does offer a discounted room rental fee.

#### 6. TRAFFIC – Report by Lisa Leblanc

- New position to Lisa in the past year.
- City has a Master Transportation Plan, similar to City of Vancouver.

#### Four Major Targets:

- Plan is to have “vision zero” – zero pedestrian or traffic accidents in the city.
- Wish is that 60% trips are not traffic related – currently at 37% of walking, biking.
- Reduce distance – 10km/person/day currently – reduce to 5km
- No net increase of traffic in New Westminster.
  
- City will start analyzing Queen's Parks traffic flow next year.
- Consideration of a sub-committee is suggested.
- Resource on City website – go to city website and search – “See Click Fix” and put in your issue.

#### QUESTIONS:

- How can you do traffic calming in one neighbourhood (Brow of the Hill) and not push it into another neighbourhood?
- How does one put in a request for a stop-sign ( Concern regarding Blackford & 5th).
- There is a process in place and has 3 stages.
- 6th Ave and First Street – very dark and pedestrians cannot be seen.
- Request that heritage streetscape be considered when traffic calming analysis is done.

#### 7. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

- Thanking of past Directors that are not running.
- Kim Jansz put forth her name
- Gail Ancill nominated Martina Rempel
- Gail North was nominated
- Jim Hutson was nominated

- A motion was moved by Jim Wolf and seconded by Bob Davis to elect the 11 people standing for directors. Motion carried.
- Directors Elected:  
Gail Ancill, Catherine Hutson, Kathleen Langstroth, Mari-Lou Nidle, Bev McLellan, Steve North, Steve Norman, Kim Jansz, Martina Rempel, Gail North, Jim Hutson.

#### 8. FILMING IN QUEEN'S PARK – Report by Kathleen Langstroth in lieu of Elizabeth Keurvorst

- Queen's Park and Downtown are the most popular areas.
- The fees provided from the movie companies off-set taxes.
- BC Filming Commission estimates that of those employed in the New Westminster movie industry earned over \$8 million in the year 2015.
- Polling of the neighbourhood takes place only if the film coordinator deems the shoot is unusual in some way.
- Go to CreativeBC.Com if you want your home on the home film shooting register.

#### 9. HERITAGE CONSERVATION AREA (HCA)

- Queen's Park Study Group – update – Steve North
  - Group is now 2 years old – study complete and a report forwarded to council – that support for a Heritage Control Period was found. The city therefore established a Heritage Control period for a year.
- Report by Britney Quail
  - What components does a HCA have:
  - Mandatory Design Guideline
  - Character Defining Elements
  - New policy must be in place by the June 11th, 2017 expiry date
  - Wed, Nov. 30th and a Sat. Dec., 3 there will be a Public Working Group Consultation (held at Century House).
  - Don Luxton Associates are designing the new Design Guidelines and utilizing the old design guidelines, existing city policies and over 6,000 photos that were taken this summer of homes in Queens Park.

#### QUESTIONS:

- Can you please bring into the conversation of Heritage Conservation Areas – traffic control?
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- How are projects being handled during the control period?
  - If it is a major project (demolition or major changes) – then they must apply for an HAP.
  - First – There currently is a Technical Review Panel in place that looks at:
    - Heritage Significance
    - Building Integrity, Structural
- What alternatives are there for the applicant if the application is turned down.
  - Then it is submitted to the CHC
  - Consideration is given as to how the project fits into the neighbourhood
  - Heritage Assessment is done
- What is the benefit of a Heritage home to owners?

10. OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN (OCP) Bev McLellan brief update

- Through public input they are designing an OCP. It is not going to change much in QP.
- What they have eliminated on 6th is no more commercial high-rises with residential on the top.

QUESTION

- What is the connection between the HCA and the OCP?
- If the HCA is approved it will be inserted into the OCP.

11. NEW BUSINESS

- Home for the holidays Sunday, Dec. 4 – benefits Queen's Park Healthcare Volunteer Society.

12. ADJOURNMENT

- Moved, seconded and carried
- Meeting adjourned at 4:01 pm.