



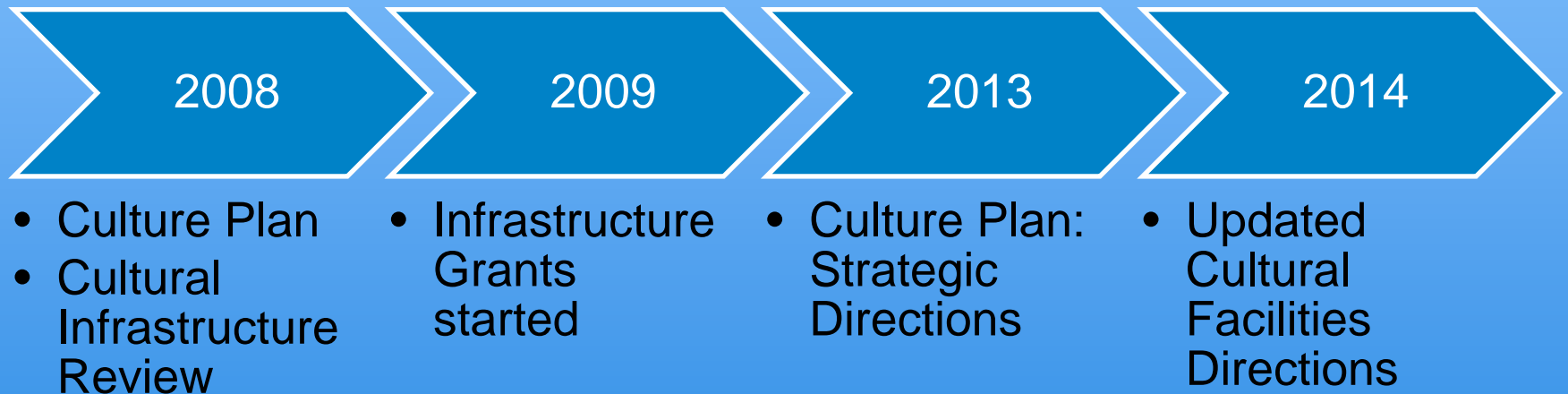
CULTURAL SPACES UPDATE

Report reference for City Council
June 1, 2016
RTS 11482

AGENDA

- 1. Strategic Direction / Types of Cultural Space**
- 2. Ways the City Supports Cultural Spaces**
- 3. Challenges / Trends**
- 4. Big Picture: Identifying Key Gaps**
- 5. Next Steps**

Strategic Direction | Partner to retain and develop affordable, sustainable cultural spaces



Types of Cultural Spaces

Creation/ Production

- Artist Studio, Rehearsal Space
- Office
- Collections, Artifact Storage

Presentation

- Performance (Theatre, Multi-Use)
- Exhibition (Museum, Gallery, Science Centre)

Residential

- Artist Housing
- Artist Live-Work Studio

Multi-Use

- Community Spaces (Community Centre, Arena)
- Other (Bar, Retail, Café, Place of Worship, Plaza, Park, Educational Institution, Library)

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City partners to develop spaces

BMO Theatre Centre

- Arts Club & Bard on the Beach
- 250 seat theatre, rehearsal, office, costume, production spaces
- City provided shell (\$7.6M in kind CAC) space, \$7M towards fit out
- Leveraged \$6.8M
- Opened 2015



Partnered with the CBC on collaborative arts space



Post @ 750 / 110 Arts Cooperative

- CBC Campus, 7800 sf of rehearsal, presentation, office and collaborative work space
- City provided space, over \$800K grant for fit out
- Opened 2015

4 new studios for Artist Studio Program

Artist Studios

- City provides space
- 6th & Fir: work-only studios, opened 2014
- MC2: live-work studios, opened 2016

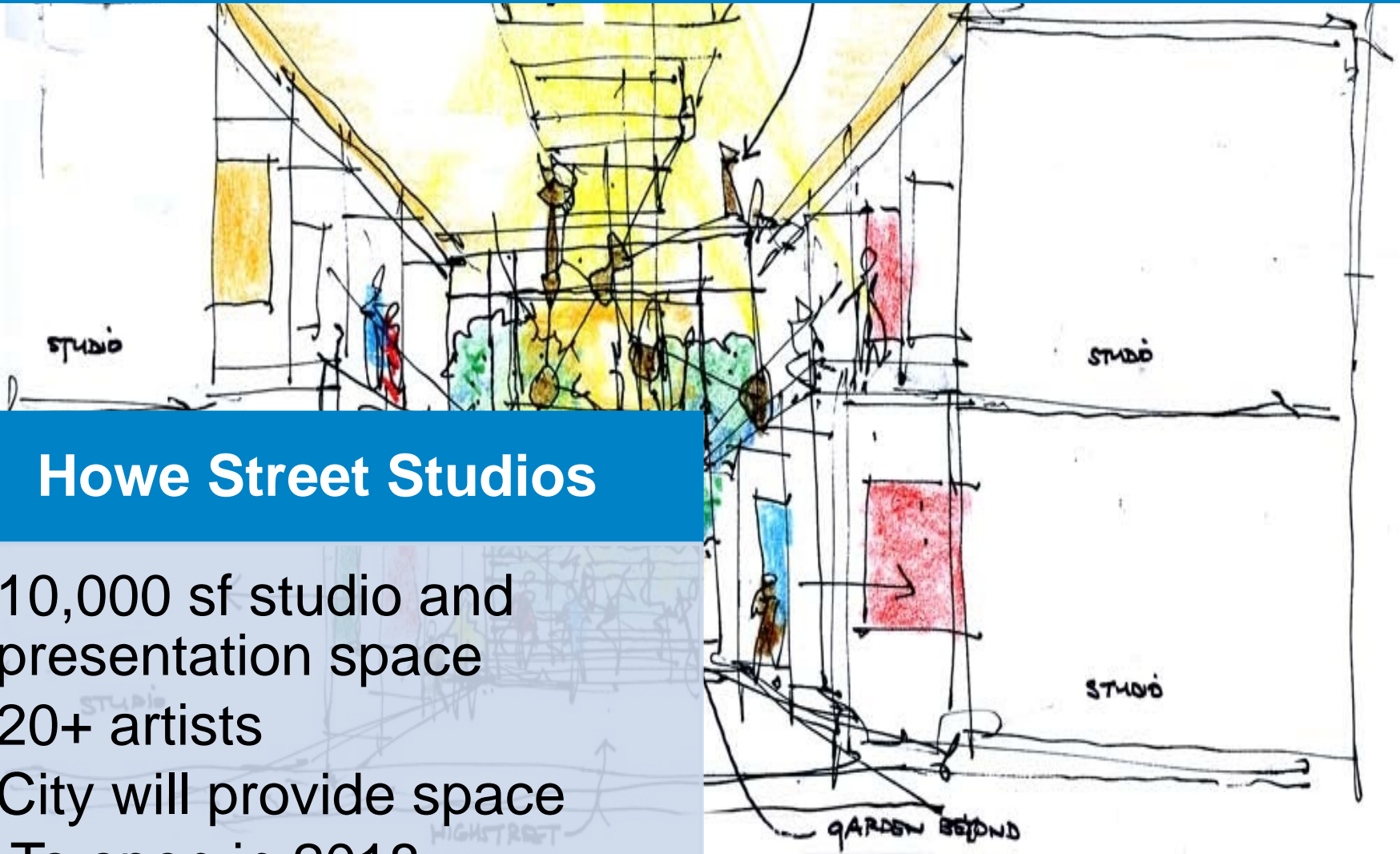
ARTIST
159

CAC funding used by non-profit to purchase building

Western Front Artist Run Centre

- Private to non profit ownership (Western Front Society)
- City provided grant of \$1.5M from Rize development CAC
- Leveraged other levels of funding

Underway | Artist studios downtown



Howe Street Studios

- 10,000 sf studio and presentation space
- 20+ artists
- City will provide space
- To open in 2018

Underway | Low income artist housing

Main & 2nd Avenue

- 30 units low income artist housing
- 4,000 sf ground floor production space
- City will provide space, technical assistance
- Opening 2018-19



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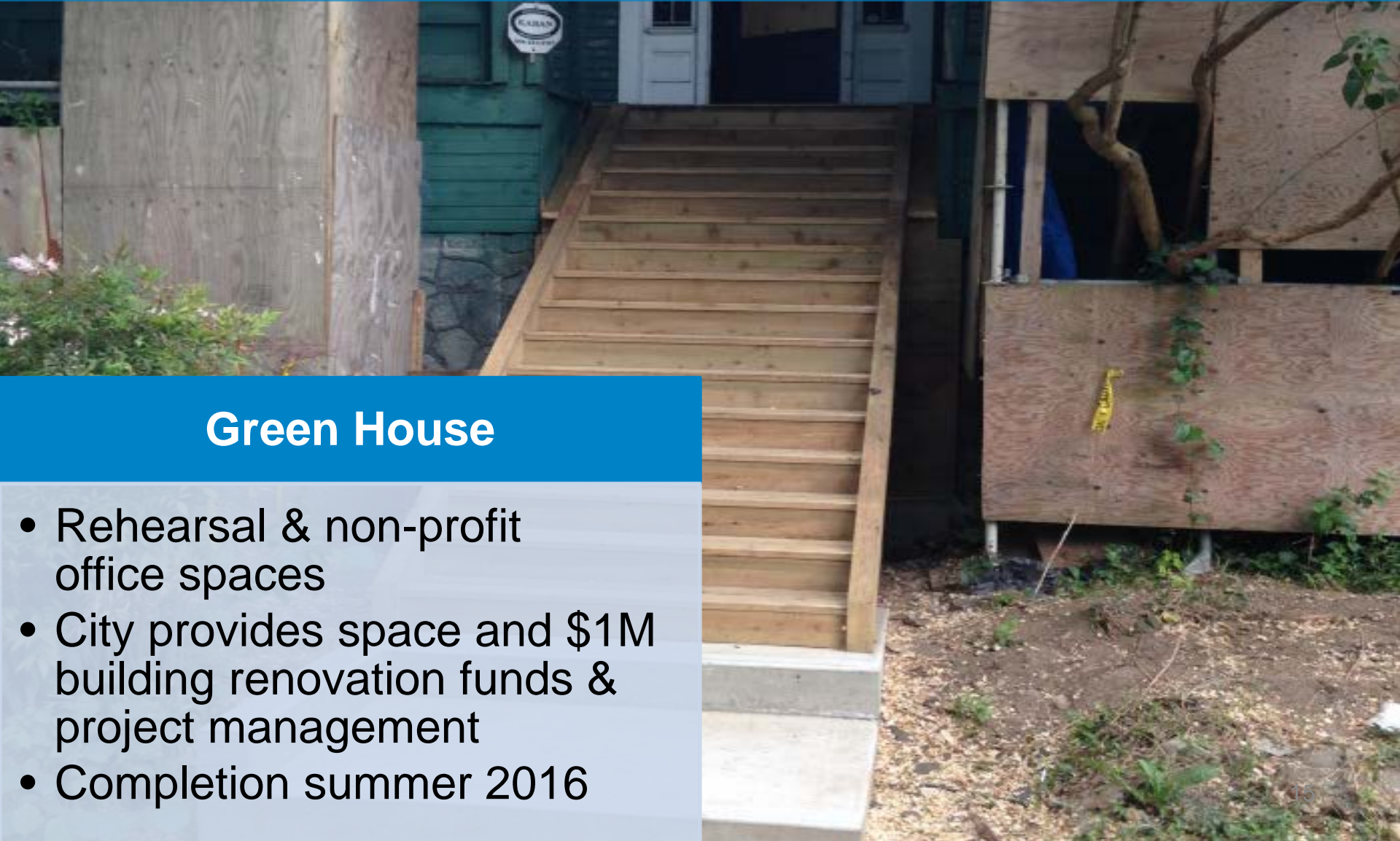
City acquired important community space

St. James Community Square

- Multipurpose hall for performance/rehearsals with meeting rooms serving cultural, educational and social needs
- City provides space, \$150K grant for renos and tech assistance
- Acquired by the City in 2016



Underway | Major renovation at Vancouver East Cultural Centre Green House



Green House

- Rehearsal & non-profit office spaces
- City provides space and \$1M building renovation funds & project management
- Completion summer 2016

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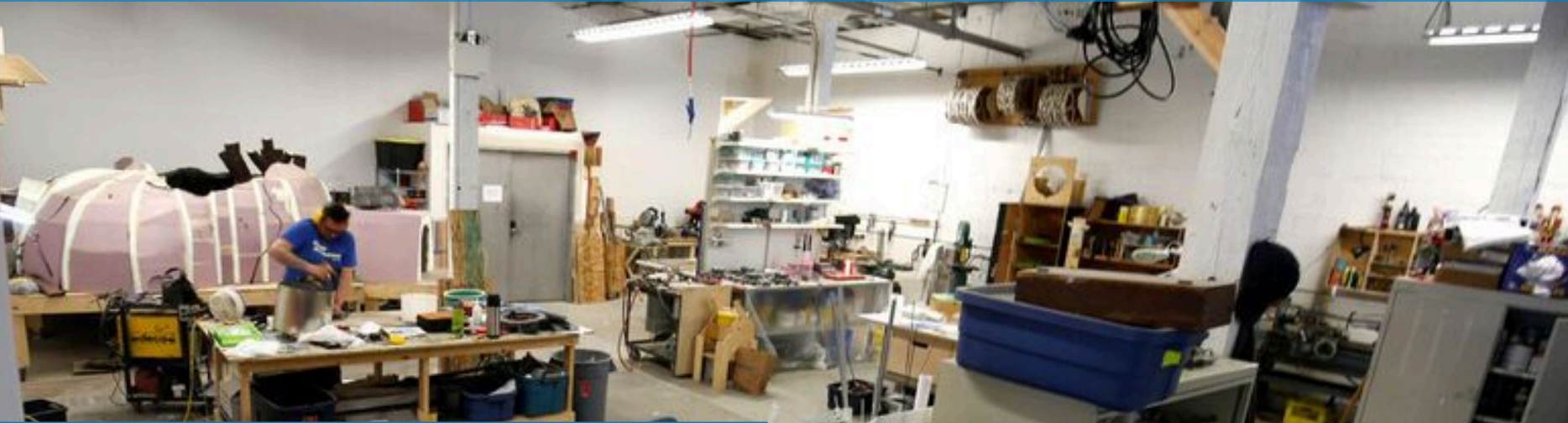
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Rentals in City owned spaces



Arts Factory / GNW Scene Shop

- 21,000 sf of workshops, studio spaces, offices and common areas
- City owned property low market rental, major improvements to building, \$300K Rize development, \$150K Infrastructure Grant
- Leveraged other levels of funding
- Opened 2015

Council motion to use City owned spaces for arts results in VIVO Arts Centre



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VIVO Media Arts Centre

- 7,094 sf for media arts production, exhibitions, archive, rentals & programming
- City-owned property low market rental
- \$62K Infrastructure Grant
- Leveraged other levels of funding



Crowd-sourced cultural spaces map

Culture Plan for Vancouver x Cultural Spaces Map x Cultural Spaces Map - July x

← → ↻ 🏠 <https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=1KXUYZxfWumz5COtBqn7Y66lxQsc>

← VIVO Media Arts Centre

CULTURAL_SPACE_NAME
VIVO Media Arts Centre

WEBSITE
www.vivomediaarts.com

TYPE
Studio/Rehearsal

PRIMARY_USE
Film/Recording Studio

ADDRESS
2625 Kaslo St, Vancouver, BC, V5M 3G9

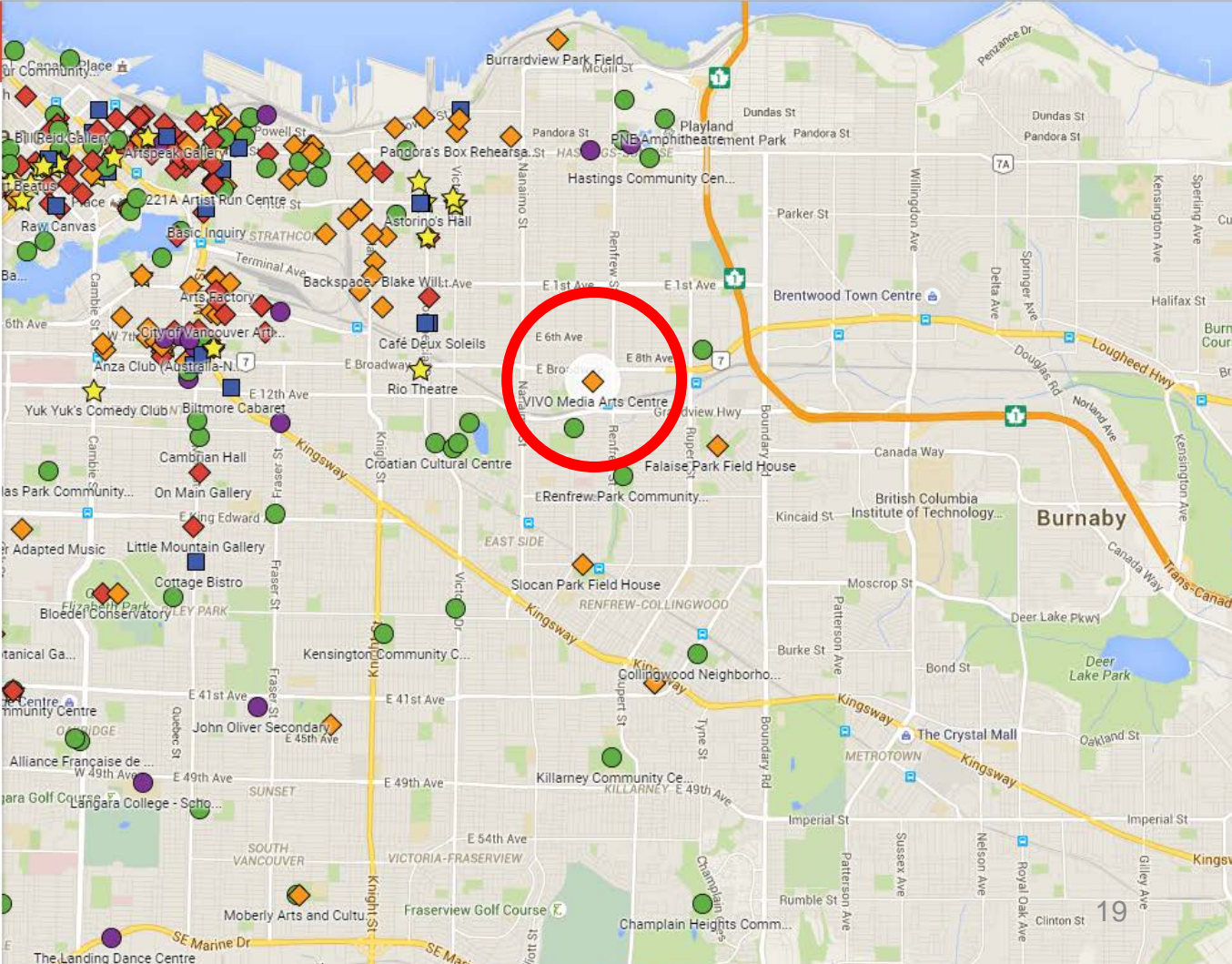
LOCAL_AREA
Renfrew-Collingwood

OWNERSHIP
City of Vancouver

SQUARE_FEET
7000

NUMBER_OF_SEATS
150

ACTIVE_SPACE
Yes



Underway | Nominal rent for local arts groups



Woodward's

- 7,168 sf of office, rehearsal and performance space
- Shared with Kokoro Dance, Raven Spirit Dance, Vancouver International Dance Festival and Vancouver Moving Theatre
- Improvements underway
- \$195K (City Infrastructure & DTES grants)
- In Woodward's, 22 non-profit tenants in 21,000 sf of CAC space

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2009 - 2015

- 172 projects
- \$6.3M in Infrastructure Grants
- \$27.7M in external funding
- \$34M total planning, improvements, renovations, and acquisition of cultural space via the Infrastructure Grant Program

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Vancouver's cultural spaces face challenges

- Loss of affordable, suitable, secure spaces
 - Dwindling amount of available industrial lands
- Limited incentives for the private sector to create purpose-built spaces
- Limited City tools for preserving existing space or creating new space
- Major site transitions (e.g., VAG); what cultural purpose(s) can the courthouse serve in the future?

Trends: innovative, shared, flexible uses and focus on sustainability

- Sharing economy: shared space & services
- City's enabling of non-profit ownership
- Flexible space that can adapt to different uses
- Use of non-traditional spaces
 - Arts Event License (e.g., warehouse, storefront)
- Diversification of earned revenue from spaces
 - ancillary uses, hot desks, other services
- Re-purposing
 - Granville Island; church and legion redevelopment sites
- New senior government funding

Big picture | Identifying key gaps

- Study to explore:
 - Trends & research
 - Community consultation
 - Inventory analysis
 - Supply and demand analysis
 - Builds on Performing Arts Facilities Study led by Civic Theatres

Application/Use

- Capital planning
- Community planning & public benefits strategy
- Infrastructure Grant Assessments
- Responding to community-led initiatives

Next steps | Making space for arts and culture

- July - Report back on 2016 Infrastructure Grants and updates to program
- Summer / Fall - Community and Area Plans to identify opportunities for cultural spaces
- Dec - Key Gaps Study and Update to inform future work

Questions?



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