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### POLICY REPORT DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING

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**TO:** Vancouver City Council

**FROM:** Director of City Plans in consultation with General Manager of Engineering Services, General Manager of Park Board, and Director of Housing Centre

**SUBJECT:** Adoption of the Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shoughnessy and Riley Park/South Cambie Community Visions

#### RECOMMENDATION

- A. That Council adopt the Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shoughnessy and Riley Park/South Cambie Community Visions, attached in Appendices A and B, as follows:**
- i. Directions categorized as "Approved" to be adopted as written;**
  - ii. Directions categorized as "Not Approved (Uncertain)" not to be adopted but to remain in the text for information and brought forward for additional community discussion in future planning processes; and**
  - iii. Directions categorized as "Not Supported" not to be adopted nor brought forward for consideration in future planning processes but to remain in the text for information.**
- B. That Council and Departments use the adopted Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shoughnessy and Riley Park/South Cambie Community Vision Directions to help guide policy decisions, corporate work priorities, budgets, and capital plans in these two communities; and**
- C. That Council direct the Director of City Plans to report back on an action plan to implement the Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shoughnessy and Riley Park/South Cambie Community Visions.**

## **GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS**

The General Manager of Community Services RECOMMENDS approval of A, B, and C.

## **COUNCIL POLICY**

In June 1995, Council adopted CityPlan: Directions for Vancouver as a broad plan for the city. In July 1996, Council approved the CityPlan Community Visions Terms of Reference [hereafter CCVToR], together with funding and staffing to test the process in two communities as a pilot project. Community Visions were designed to bring CityPlan to the local level. In July 1999, City Council approved the continuation of the Community Visions program through the predominantly single family areas of the city.

## **SUMMARY AND PURPOSE**

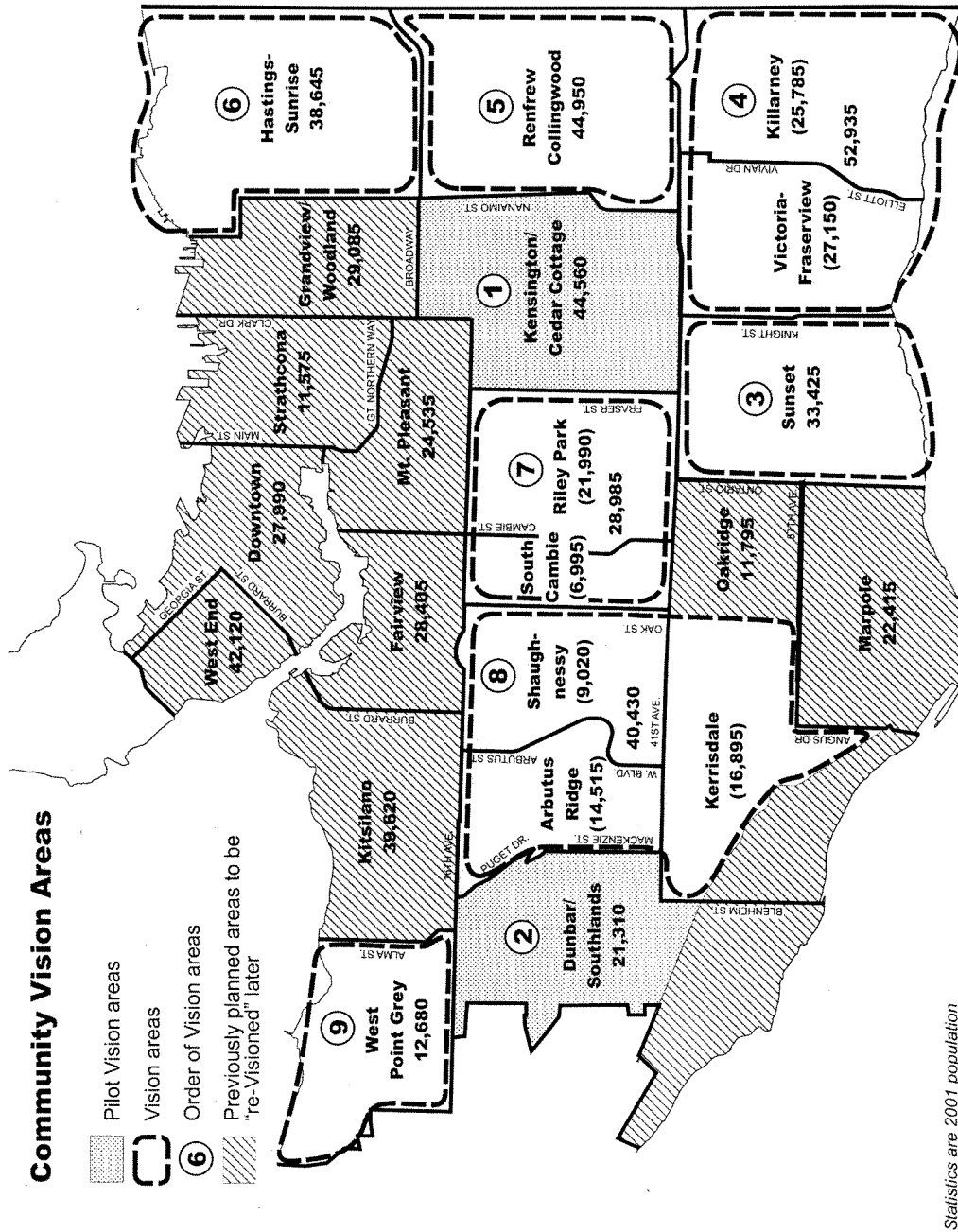
This report describes how the completed Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shoughnessy (ARKS) and Riley Park/South Cambie (RPSC) Community Visions meet the criteria set out in the CityPlan Community Visions Terms of Reference (CCVToR) and it provides highlights from each Vision. Recommendation A is that the approved Vision Directions be adopted. Recommendation B directs the use of the adopted ARKS and RPSC Vision Directions to help guide decisions affecting these two areas, starting immediately. In addition, recognizing that following up the 20-year Visions will be a long term effort by both the City and community, Recommendation C is for a report back on an implementation action plan.

## **BACKGROUND**

On many topics, CityPlan calls for local communities to determine more precisely how the city-wide directions should be carried out locally. The mandate of the Community Visions Program is to "...have communities, assisted by staff, develop Visions that incorporate a wide range of community interests and describe common ground for moving in CityPlan directions." The program asks each community "...to implement CityPlan directions in a way and at a scale and pace that suits the community." [CCVToR]

The Vision process requires each community to move forward in CityPlan Directions, but allows flexibility in how this is undertaken. For example, the city already has enough residential capacity under current zoning to meet regional population objectives, as noted in the City's adopted Regional Context Statement. Nevertheless, CityPlan calls for greater neighbourhood housing variety and housing affordability. The Visions program works with residents to determine what new housing types and locations are supported by the community, rather than imposing targets. The result has been that each completed Vision includes support for additional housing. A parallel approach is taken with other topics including services, facilities, parks, and transportation.

Visions for Kensington/Cedar Cottage (KCC) and Dunbar, the two pilot communities, were adopted in July and September 1998. A complete evaluation of the pilot program was done, the program was modified, and Council approved continuing the Visions program throughout the mainly single family areas of the city, most of which have never had any local planning. The Sunset and Victoria-Fraserview/Killarney Visions were approved by Council in January 2002. The Renfrew-Collingwood and Hastings-Sunrise Community Visions were approved in March 2004. This report focuses on the RPSC and ARKS Visions. Map 1 shows the communities and the Council-endorsed order for Visions planning.



## DISCUSSION

### 1. Adoption of Community Vision Directions

The CCVToR set out criteria which the community process must meet for the Vision Directions to be considered valid, which can be summarised as:

- Furthering CityPlan: Visions should cover all CityPlan topics, and move the community in CityPlan Directions; and,
- Reflecting informed community opinion: Visions should validly reflect broad community opinion and "common ground", based on informed participation.

#### (a) Furthering CityPlan

Appendix C describes in detail how Vision Directions carry out the 14 CityPlan Directions. To mention a few highlights, the Visions:

- Identify which shopping areas should be the foci for neighbourhood centres and contain Directions to improve these shopping streets and provide additional housing in adjacent areas;
- Describe new housing types and locations to meet housing variety and affordability goals. Both Vision areas already have a mix of housing types and both have enough capacity under current zoning to meet the additional housing demand created by the community's existing population as it ages. However, there is a mis-match between the supply of units that could be created (mostly apartment-type and suites) and demands from an aging population seeking more ground-oriented units. The approved Directions on new housing for RPSC could provide approximately 3,100 additional ground-oriented units, with the majority of these located on large redevelopment sites. Approved Directions include support for new housing types around the two RAV stations to be located on Cambie within RPSC, and around all five of the key shopping areas. Directions on new housing for ARKS could provide approximately 3,000 additional ground-oriented units. About 1,500 of these units would be spread throughout the community from the conversion of character homes on large lots to multiple dwellings. The remaining units could be built in a variety of locations such as on or near arterial roads or near shopping areas. In all cases, further planning would be required to finalize these housing options in each community;
- Support increased pedestrian and cycling activity by making existing routes to neighbourhood destinations more attractive and crossings of busy roads safer;
- Strongly support housing for seniors; and recognize the City policy to consider site-specific rezonings for non-market/affordable housing projects, Special Needs Residential Facilities, and heritage projects;
- Point to ways in which the communities want to improve arterial streets to make living with them more acceptable, while still recognizing their role carrying through-traffic; and,



- Call for more variety in park design and activities to serve the increasingly diverse population of the communities and support better use of school grounds for recreation for all age groups.

### The City Perspectives Panel (CPP)

The CCVToR calls for a panel of citizens, who live outside the Vision communities, to wear a 'city hat' while providing commentary on how well the Visions meet CityPlan directions. A seven person City Perspectives Panel was appointed by Council at the start of the RPSC and ARKS Vision process. They met to comment on how the Directions in the Choices Survey relate to CityPlan and regional plans. Their comments were included in Choices Survey for the information of people filling out the survey. They also reviewed the survey response. The CPP feels that the RPSC and ARKS Visions fulfill the requirements of CityPlan and the CCVToR. The Panel's comments are attached as Appendix G.

### (b) Reflecting Informed Community Opinion

The CCVToR call for the Visions program to seek common ground and the opinion of the broad community, not just a few people. There are to be a variety of ways for people to be involved, in an informed way. Appendix D provides detailed information on the public participation in the Visions. Below are some highlights.

- **General outreach:** Many methods were used throughout the program to create public awareness, recruit participants, and encourage responses, including attending meetings and events of community groups, school PACs, churches, etc.; delivering three newsletters to update every household, business and absentee owner; holding a weekend Visions Fair in each community; and publicizing events with advertisements, banners, school flyers, and media releases as well as seeking coverage in English and Chinese media.
- **Community Liaison Groups:** The CCVToR mandate the creation of a Community Liaison Group for each community, made up of a wide range of community volunteers, who are charged with: providing continuity through the process; "watch dogging" to ensure that community input from each step is carried through to subsequent steps; advising on outreach; reviewing the draft survey; and generally advising staff. The Liaison Groups are process-focussed -- their job is not to edit community input, nor to select the preferred Directions. The Liaison Groups' comments are included as Appendices E and F, and will be presented to Council by their spokespersons.
- **Workshops:** Creation of draft Vision ideas and options occurred in widely advertised topic workshops open to all interested individuals. The main topic-specific workshops were augmented by special multi-cultural workshops in Chinese, as well as youth workshops in high schools and business open houses. Workshops were well attended by diverse participants who generated a range of material. In total, RPSC had 419 participants and ARKS had 411.
- **Choices Survey:** Broadest possible input on which Vision Directions should be adopted was pursued through a comprehensive survey, delivered to every household, business, and absentee owner. A random sample of households was given the same survey to ensure Vision Directions are representative of the broad community. The survey was in

English and Chinese. There were more than 1,900 responses in RPSC and more than 2,600 responses in ARKS representing about 18% of all households in each community (for a large, multi-topic, multi-question survey like this, a response rate of 5% - 7% is good). Respondents were broadly distributed across the communities, with a good representation of the language groups, ages, homeowners and renters. The requirement that adopted Directions have majority support in both the general and random survey ensures the Visions reflect "...broad community opinion and 'common ground'..."

- Information: Informed participation occurred at workshops and in the Choices Survey. Workshops used the over 100 fact sheets created for each community, as well as specially-prepared materials. Examples include household type profiles, home affordability, sources of housing demand, growth projections. For transportation, information was provided on the Transportation Plan, truck routes, the transit system, traffic volumes, street design standards, traffic management, parking, and accidents. Most workshops also featured technical experts, either as guest speakers or as resource persons to assist participants. The Choices Survey, which presented the draft Directions to the community for response, contained background material, 'info boxes', and City Perspective Panel comments to help respondents understand the origin and consequences of the Directions.

Overall, the RPSC and ARKS Visions meet the CCVToR criteria of furthering CityPlan, and reflecting informed community opinion. They are the product of broad, informed public input, and an excellent response from an area-wide community survey which is verified by a statistically valid, sample survey. Staff therefore recommend Council endorse the Vision Directions, as outlined in Recommendation A.

## 2. A Summary of the Community Visions

Appendices A and B contain the ARKS and RPSC Community Vision Directions for Council endorsement. Each Vision contains over 150 Directions on a full range of CityPlan topics that will guide decisions in the communities for up to 20 years. They reflect how the communities will balance citywide and community concerns, and meet the challenges of the future. Only a flavour of the Vision Directions can be provided in this summary.

### (a) Riley Park/South Cambie (RPSC) Vision

RPSC is a community of 28,985 residents, with 49% English and 27% Chinese as major language groups. In 2001, the median household income was \$51,293 compared to the overall Vancouver median of \$42,026. The area is predominantly small lot single family, with secondary suites permitted and common. The northern and eastern parts of this area were almost fully developed prior to World War II. After the war the Provincial Military Camp was closed and the south slopes of Little Mountain were opened up for residential development. As a result there are several distinct neighbourhoods within the area, although most contain a mix of older "character" and newer redeveloped houses.

RPSC is a community rich in diversity and history. Its residents value the area's distinct single family neighbourhoods, character homes, views, and its variety of convenient shopping areas, especially on Main Street. RPSC has excellent accessibility due to its central location and is well served by major transportation and transit corridors. The area's two community centres

and neighbourhood house are heavily used. City-serving and local parks and open spaces are considered key assets. Transit projects on Main (Showcase) and on Cambie (RAV), the building of new community facilities as part of the 2010 Olympic legacies in Riley Park, and the redevelopment of large sites are key projects that will bring changes to RPSC over the next 10 to 20 years. The community's tradition of involvement in local issues continues with active community associations, neighbourhood and school groups, and emerging artistic and business associations.

The RPSC Vision seeks to maintain and strengthen its identity in the face of considerable change. Here are some key Vision messages.

- As in all Vision communities with high traffic volumes, conditions and safety on arterial streets in RPSC need improvement, making them easier to cross, safer to walk and drive along, more livable and attractive, while recognizing that they will continue to carry commuters through the area. Careful planning of the RAV rapid transit line is also needed to address potential impacts during construction and operation, especially related to crime and safety around RAV stations. Similarly, there is a desire to ensure that the 'Showcase' transit improvements on Main contribute to the unique character of Main Street.
- Like other Vision areas, citizens showed a strong interest in the environment. They want the community and the City to work together to keep the area clean and to expand recycling and composting while improving conservation of energy and water. RPSC showed strong support for encouraging new development to adopt more sustainable building practices and for more food to be grown and distributed locally.
- Many public facilities for recreation, library, social and health services are in transition in RPSC due to upgrades, expansions or renewal. Planned development of the 2010 Olympic curling venue (which will later be converted to community use) and a destination, indoor aquatic centre at the Riley/Hillcrest Parks requires careful management to address traffic and parking issues. More programs and additional affordable services for seniors, youth, and families are supported.
- Five key shopping areas located along Main (16<sup>th</sup> to 33<sup>rd</sup>), Oak and King Edward, Fraser (16<sup>th</sup> to King Edward), Cambie (16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>), and Cambie and 41<sup>st</sup> should be strengthened as the 'hearts' of their neighbourhoods with improved shopping and pedestrian experiences. As in other Vision areas there is community support for additional housing adjacent to the shopping areas. Along Cambie and Main, Directions support encouraging retail to wrap around onto side streets to create more attractive and usable public spaces.
- RPSC has several large sites (a full city block or more) that could redevelop in the future. A new section of Directions address the redevelopment of the RCMP 'Fairmont Complex', St. Vincent's Hospital, Little Mountain Housing and the Balfour Block (18<sup>th</sup> and Laurel). King Edward Mall is also a large site but it is addressed as a neighbourhood centre because of its role as a key shopping area. The community supports the addition of housing to these sites (including non-market, affordable and special needs housing), if traffic and parking impacts and community facility needs are addressed.

- There is strong support for more variety in park design, appearance, and activities to appeal to the diverse population of the community. School grounds should become attractive community spaces usable by people of all ages. Improved safety in and around parks is also desired.
- RPSC residents want individuals, the community, and the police to work cooperatively to create a safer community. There are Directions supporting the Community Policing Centre, more patrols by police on foot and bicycle, and actions to reduce youth crime. A new greenway project at Charles Tupper High School began during the Vision process in response to a tragic youth murder and the desire of the school and community to take positive action.
- As in all Vision areas, residents support having more input into both the major initiatives and the recurring decisions about changes in their community. RPSC is the first community to put forward a Direction seeking a role in actively measuring and monitoring how well future actions work toward achieving Vision Directions.
- RPSC is consistent with all other Vision communities in wanting to maintain its single family neighbourhoods. The Directions support the introduction of design controls for new homes in sub-areas where there is local support, and they call for more public involvement in the review of new single family house design. Additional efforts to preserve heritage and character buildings are also supported. In addition, RPSC supported incentives or guidelines to further improve the quality and sustainability of new single family housing.
- Subject to proper design control, the provision of adequate services and facilities and a plan to address parking and traffic impacts, RPSC supports the addition of three new housing types: more infill, more duplexes, and some cottages or small houses on shared lots. Several new locations for additional housing were also supported such as on large sites, around parks and community centres, around the RAV stations at King Edward and 41<sup>st</sup>, and on corner lots or irregularly subdivided areas. There is also support for increasing housing variety around all five shopping areas to make each of them more of a neighbourhood centre. Also, strong support was expressed for new developments designed for seniors.

RPSC has several areas with recent, or current, planning initiatives such as the Mountain View Cemetery, Riley and Hillcrest Parks, the Oakridge Centre Policy Planning Program. These processes deliver more specifics than the Vision can deliver and as a result, the plans for these sites supplement the Vision, 'filling in' details which the Vision does not contain.

**(b) Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shoughnessy (ARKS) Vision**

ARKS has 40,430 residents, with 52% English and 34% Chinese as major language groups. In 2001, median income was \$60,901 compared to a Vancouver median of \$42,026. ARKS has a mix of mature, residential neighbourhoods. Ranging from the estates of First Shoughnessy, to the character areas of Kerrisdale, to the post-war suburb of Arbutus Ridge, most the community is made-up of neighbourhoods of single family homes. Higher density housing is clustered around Kerrisdale Village with its mix of four- and twelve-storey apartments, and around Arbutus Shopping Centre with its townhouses and four- to six-storey apartments. Apartment areas are also found along Oak, north of King Edward, and at 41<sup>st</sup> and Oak. First

Shaugnessy District allows infill or conversion to multiple dwellings to conserve heritage buildings. Single family lots are larger and houses are generally newer than in RPSC.

ARKS residents value the area's single family neighbourhoods, views from public places, the Arbutus Corridor and open spaces such as Ravine Park. The area's parks offer a variety of open spaces and many are heavily used, as are the community centre, pool, library, and ice rink. The Vision seeks to maintain and upgrade these community assets.

The ARKS Vision also seeks to retain the historic and mature character of the area and to further improve the community. Key Vision messages include:

- Like RPSC and all Vision communities with high traffic volumes, arterial streets in ARKS need improvement, making them easier to cross, safer to walk and drive along, more livable and attractive, while recognizing that they will continue to carry commuters through the area. Like some other Vision areas, citizens support the redesignation of several arterials to collectors (as identified in the Transportation Plan) to ensure these streets do not become busier in the future. Increased use of traffic calming is also supported.
- ARKS citizens showed a strong interest in the environment. They want the community and the City to work together to keep the area clean, reduce waste, expand recycling, and improve water and energy conservation. They also support all new development adopting more sustainable building practices, more food grown and distributed locally, and a ban on smoking in public places.
- As in other Vision areas individuals, the community, and the police should all increase their efforts to create a safer community. Strengthening the CPC was supported along with initiatives to reduce youth crime, especially by providing additional facilities and programs.
- Unlike RPSC, the recreation facilities in ARKS are not in the midst of active redevelopment or expansion. Expanded and upgraded recreation and library facilities in Kerrisdale and provision of more public facilities in Arbutus Ridge and Shaugnessy are supported. As in other Vision areas, all parks and school grounds should be improved for activities that are more diverse and more parks should be provided in poorly-served areas. ARKS would like to see Ravine Park incorporated into a new greenway connecting the Kerrisdale and Arbutus shopping areas.
- Consistent with other Vision areas, ARKS wants to maintain the 'single family' character of most of the community, and to permit more small developments designed for seniors. Also, design control for new houses in areas without design-control zoning is supported. Retaining character housing by allowing Multiple Conversion Dwellings on large lots was supported for the first time in a Vision. Locations such as on or near arterial streets and around shopping areas are supported for additional housing, and future planning will consider several new ground-oriented housing types in these locations.
- Enhancing Kerrisdale Village as a major neighbourhood shopping area and important community place (e.g. by creating a new public plaza or gathering place) is supported. Creating a new neighbourhood centre at Arbutus Village where new development is

brought closer to Arbutus Street is also supported. Like the Renfrew-Collingwood Vision, several smaller “nodes” or shopping areas should also be enhanced, and the 16<sup>th</sup> and Macdonald shopping area could be expanded slightly.

- Like all other Vision areas, ARKS also endorsed a Direction to have more input into decision making about changes in their community, ranging from the major initiatives like the planning of the Arbutus Corridor, to recurring decisions relating to street or traffic changes.

Overall, each Vision is an expression of community priorities that identifies what residents value and want to protect, as well as things that should change, and how.

### **3. Implementing the Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shaugnessy and Riley Park/South Cambie Community Visions**

Recommendation B directs the use of the Visions to guide City decisions, corporate work priorities, budgets, and capital plans. Recommendation C directs staff to report back (as done in KCC, Dunbar, VFK, Sunset, Renfrew-Collingwood, and Hastings-Sunrise) with a detailed action plan for each community developed in consultation with community members (action plans are posted, and regularly updated, on the Community Web Pages of areas with adopted Visions, e.g.

[http://www.city.vancouver.bc.ca/commsvcsp/planing/cityplan/visions/VFK\\_Actionpln.htm](http://www.city.vancouver.bc.ca/commsvcsp/planing/cityplan/visions/VFK_Actionpln.htm)).

Several CLG members from ARKS and RPSC want to be involved in the implementation of their Vision. The experience in other communities has been that these long-term participants are joined by new volunteers with a keen interest in seeing the Vision implemented. The broad participation and bottom-up nature of the Community Vision process helps build community capacity to move forward through implementation.

The implementation process for these two communities will be discussed in a separate report (Recommendation C).

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The CityPlan direction on City finances is to continue to be cautious about increasing spending, and to use CityPlan to re-direct funds. This direction was taken as a given during the Vision programs, including the workshops and Choices Survey.

Adopting the Vision Directions for ARKS and RPSC does not imply an increase to the City’s budget. In order to achieve some Vision Directions in the short-term, choices among civic spending priorities would be required. However, in the longer-term, Vision implementation may be supported by the development of servicing efficiencies, the creation of new partnerships, and the harnessing of external resources.

The Visions will help the City and the communities set priorities and direct or reallocate funds to programs which achieve the Visions (e.g., committing Community Planning staff to complete Neighbourhood Centre commercial realm and housing plans in KCC). Changes will happen over time, extending over the life of the Visions, 15 to 20 years into the future.

## **PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS**

One of the teams which helped the community develop the ARKS Community Visions is now working in West Point Grey which is the last area to be addressed by the Visions program. The other staff team is working on options for future community planning work with neighbourhoods not covered by the Community Visions Program. These options will be reported to Council early in 2006. A temporary position funded by the Visions Program for the RPSC team is no longer needed and has been eliminated.

## **COMMUNICATIONS PLAN FOR THE FINAL VISIONS**

After the Vision is adopted, a Newsletter is prepared which announces the adopted Visions, summarizes Vision highlights, and invites people to attend a workshop to initiate the implementation process. The newsletter contains the same information in English and Chinese and it is delivered to each household and business in the community. The Vision is posted on the City website and copies are provided in the community's libraries, community centres, and neighbourhood houses. This concludes the Community Vision process in ARKS and RPSC.

Funds for printing and distribution of the newsletter and final Visions, as well as the website posting, come from the Community Visions program budget.

## **CONCLUSION**

The Community Visions developed in ARKS and RPSC through the Community Vision program succeed in the tasks set by the Council-adopted Terms of Reference. They "...incorporate a wide range of community interests and describe common ground for moving in CityPlan directions...in a way and at a scale and pace that suits the community." When adopted, the Vision Directions will help provide guidance for both City and community action.

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# ARKS

*Arkansas Ridge & Valley*

**Community Vision Draft Directions**  
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## Vision Directions

The ARKS Choices Survey asked people to respond to draft Directions on a range from Strongly Agree to Strongly Disagree. Each Direction has been classified as **Approved**, **Not Approved (Uncertain)**, or **Not Supported** based on community response in the Choices Survey. This classification is shown above each Vision Direction. Noted below each Vision Direction is the percentage agreement it received in the general and random surveys (complete statistics and survey methodology are available in a separate publication 'Report on the General and Random Surveys: Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shaugnessy').

**Approved Directions:** Most Directions received enough agreement to be classified as 'Approved'. These Directions were supported not only by 50% or more of the general survey respondents but also by at least 55% of the random survey respondents (a level that ensures support for the Direction by a majority of these respondents, taking into account the plus or minus 5% sampling error of the random survey). When approved by City Council these Directions become official City policy.

**Not Approved (Uncertain) Directions:** When a Direction did not receive enough support to be classified as 'Approved' but the agree votes outweighed disagree votes in both the general and random surveys, the Direction is listed as 'Not Approved (Uncertain)'. Many of these Directions were supported by a majority of the general survey respondents and a majority of votes in the random survey (but below the 55% required to ensure community support given the sampling error of the random survey). These Directions will not be adopted by City Council and although they are not City policy they remain on the table for further community discussion in subsequent planning processes. For these Directions, comments on their future role is provided.

**Not Supported Directions:** When a Direction received more disagree than agree votes in either the general or the random survey it is classified as 'Not Supported'. These Directions will not be adopted by City Council and they will not be brought forward for consideration in future planning processes.

## People's Ideas

For most Directions, specific ideas generated at the community meetings and workshops are listed here. They are for information and future reference but are not part of the formally approved Directions.

**Note:** Percentages are rounded-up when .5 or greater (e.g., 54.5% is rounded-up to 55%). However, rounding-up will not change the classification of a Direction (e.g., from 'Not Approved' to 'Approved').

## TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION

### 1. Primary Arterials

King Edward, 41st, Marine Drive, Arbutus/West Boulevard (16th to 41st), Granville, and Oak

#### 1.1 Improve Conditions and Safety on King Edward, 41st, Marine Drive, Arbutus/West Boulevard (16th to 41st), Granville, and Oak

*Approved*

The conditions and safety for residents and pedestrians on King Edward, 41st, Marine Drive, Arbutus/West Boulevard (16th to 41st), Granville, and Oak should be substantially improved by:

- adding and upgrading pedestrian crossings and sidewalks
- reducing traffic speed and noise
- providing more education about and enforcement of traffic rules and regulations
- pursuing design solutions to reduce traffic impacts, and
- reducing the adverse impacts of trucks on neighbourhoods.

*Percent Agree 75/78*

People's Ideas...

- improve pedestrian crossing opportunities: more pedestrian-activated signals, median refuges, curb bulges, grade separated crossings, employ crossing guards to shorten waiting times
- reduce maximum size of trucks permitted to use residential truck routes
- use noise absorbent material when resurfacing noisy streets
- make Kerrisdale Village a 'pedestrian priority area', especially at East and West Boulevards
- restrict hours of truck use, restrict their use to inside lanes, and limit use of engine brakes along Marine Drive and 41st
- add crosswalks or median refuges on Marine Drive (e.g. at Larch, Yew, 45th, 49th, and the Arbutus Corridor), and set minimum distances between crosswalks
- assess the impact of street widening of Marine Drive on local residents and on area traffic congestion

### 2. Secondary Arterials

16th, Marpole/15th/Wolfe/Douglas, West Boulevard (41st to 51st), 49th, and Macdonald (16th to King Edward)

#### 2.1 Improve Conditions and Safety on 16th, Marpole/15th/Wolfe/Douglas, West Boulevard (41st to 51st), 49th, and Macdonald (16th to King Edward)

*Approved*

The conditions and safety for residents and pedestrians on 16th, Marpole/15th/Wolfe/Douglas, West Boulevard (41st to 51st), 49th, and Macdonald (16th to King Edward) should be substantially improved by:

- adding and upgrading pedestrian crossings and sidewalks
- reducing traffic speed and noise, and
- providing more education about and enforcement of traffic rules and regulations.

*Percent Agree 73/74*

People's Ideas...

- need pedestrian crossings on East and West Boulevard at 47th (near Magee High School), along 49th from Arbutus to Marine, and on 49th at Balsam (to improve access to Maple Grove Park)

### 3. Redesignate to Collectors

Quesnel (King Edward to 27th) and MacKenzie (27th to 41st), West Boulevard (51st to 61st) and Angus (61st to Marine Drive), Puget (King Edward to 33rd) and Larch (33rd to 41st), Macdonald (41st to Marine Drive), 33rd (Oak to MacKenzie), and 57th (Oak to Marine Drive)

#### 3.1 Change Designation of Some Secondary Arterials

The City should change the designation of the following streets from secondary arterial to neighbourhood collector to ensure these streets are not widened to increase the number of traffic lanes or the amount of car or truck traffic they carry:

a) Quesnel (King Edward to 27th) and MacKenzie (27th to 41st)

*Approved*

*Percent Agree 54/61*

b) West Boulevard (51st to 61st) and Angus (61st to Marine Drive)

*Approved*

*Percent Agree 57/57*

c) Puget (King Edward to 33rd) and Larch (33rd to 41st)

*Approved*

*Percent Agree 56/58*

d) Macdonald (41st to Marine Drive)

*Approved*

*Percent Agree 53/58*

e) 33rd (Oak to MacKenzie)

*Approved*

*Percent Agree 51/59*

f) 57th (Oak to Marine Drive).

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

*Percent Agree 48/52*

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in the general survey, and did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.7 to 1, random survey: 1.9 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion in further planning. An examination of the distribution of votes for both surveys found that respondents in the neighbourhood adjacent to the street (bounded by 49<sup>th</sup>, Oak, 57<sup>th</sup>, Angus and Marine Drive) supported the Direction: 64% agree, 28% disagree.*

#### 3.2 Improve Conditions and Safety on Streets Potentially Redesignated to Neighbourhood Collectors

*Approved*

The conditions and safety for residents and pedestrians on Quesnel (King Edward to 27th) and MacKenzie (27th to 41st), West Boulevard (51st to 61st) and Angus (61st to Marine Drive), Puget (King Edward to 33rd) and Larch (33rd to 41st), Macdonald (41st to Marine Drive), 33rd (Oak to MacKenzie), and 57th (Oak to Marine Drive) should be substantially improved by:

- adding and upgrading pedestrian crossings and sidewalks
- reducing traffic speed and noise
- providing more education about and enforcement of traffic rules and regulations, and
- reducing the adverse impacts of trucks on neighbourhoods.

*Percent Agree 72/72*

People's Ideas...

- use traffic circles and stop signs when downgrading from arterial to collector
- prohibit parking for ½ block on Larch north of 41st

#### 4. Traffic Calming

##### 4.1 Use Traffic Calming Programs

*Approved*

Residents should ensure they contact the City about any traffic problems experienced on local streets so that the City's traffic calming programs can be initiated.

*Percent Agree 65/68*

People's Ideas...

- need comprehensive traffic calming plan for area south of 41st
- slow traffic around York House, Little Flower Academy, and Shaughnessy School
- address traffic congestion around schools, especially at Kerrisdale and Point Grey Schools
- enforce existing 50 km/h speed limit
- address traffic issues on 42nd just outside the Kerrisdale Community Centre
- need 4-way stop to slow traffic and enhance pedestrian safety around 45th and Yew provide stop signs at East Boulevard and 50th, 52nd, and 54th

##### 4.2 Allow 40 km/h Speed Limit on Local Streets

*Approved*

The City should continue to encourage the province to move quickly to amend the Motor Vehicle Act to allow the City to reduce the speed limit on local streets to 40 km/h.

*Percent Agree 54/58*

##### 4.3 Pursue Traffic Demand Reduction Measures

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

More should be done to reduce auto-trips taken by residents of ARKS. Create and/or adopt from other areas programs and measures that get people walking, biking, or taking transit to local destinations, and link trips that would usually be taken individually.

*Percent Agree 52/52*

People's Ideas...

- organize walking or biking school bus to discourage drop-off by car
- limit parking around schools, provide parking only for car-pools at UBC, use family trip- reduction plans, and adopt more user-pay measures for car drivers

*Comment: This Direction did receive majority support in the general survey, but did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In the random survey, the Direction received substantially more agree votes than disagree votes (2 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion in further planning.*

## 5. Public Transit

### 5.1 Use Bus Priority Measures

*Approved*

The efficiency and reliability of buses should be improved through the use of bus priority measures, such as bus bulges, bus signal priority, and bus only lanes.

*Percent Agree 65/64*

People's Ideas...

- dedicate bus lanes through commercial areas to reduce delays
- allow signal priority for buses at intersections
- provide bus bulges and boarding spaces on transit-oriented streets where road space is available

### 5.2 Increase Frequency of Bus Service

*Approved*

The City should consult with TransLink to increase bus frequency – including adding more express routes – to quicken service. Attention should be paid to north-south connections in ARKS.

*Percent Agree 70/74*

People's Ideas...

- reduce number of bus stops during rush hour to increase frequency and reduce transit times, and add express routes (especially along Arbutus, and Macdonald/MacKenzie)
- alternate express and regular buses
- use express lanes during peak hours to serve schools
- address problem of UBC cross-town buses being filled to capacity before they reach Kerrisdale
- need bus route on Oak to link to Richmond City Centre

### 5.3 Provide Shuttle Buses

*Approved*

TransLink should use shuttle buses to provide more flexible local service to and from key destinations like Kerrisdale Village, Kerrisdale Community Centre and Library, and Arbutus Shopping Centre.

*Percent Agree 57/60*

People's Ideas...

- use taxi-buses with flexible, demand-responsive routes to connect to regular city bus system
- use smaller buses in off-peak hours (especially on 49th)
- provide shuttles between shopping areas

### 5.4 Improve Taxi Service

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

The number of taxis permitted in the city should be increased to improve local service, and further broaden transportation alternatives to the private automobile.

*Percent Agree 36/42*

People's Ideas...

- increase the city's taxi fleet (number of licenses) and incorporate into overall transit plan
- provide more taxis/private shuttles

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in either the general survey or random surveys. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.3 to 1, random survey: 1.8 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion in further planning.*

### 5.5 Improve the 'Transit Experience'

*Approved*

The 'transit experience' (the comfort, convenience, and sense of safety experienced by users as they walk to, wait for, or ride the system) should be improved in order to attract riders, for example, with better weather protection, transit schedules and route maps, and trash cans.

*Percent Agree 66/71*

People's Ideas...

- provide quiet transit through Kerrisdale (trolley bus/street car), cleaner buses, mail boxes and news vending machines at bus stops
- post timetables and route maps and provide garbage cans at bus stops
- provide washrooms at major transit stops

### 5.6 Extensive Public Consultation when Planning for the Arbutus Corridor

*Approved*

Assuming the Supreme Court of Canada decides that the City has the authority to regulate the development of the Arbutus Corridor, there should be extensive public consultation with ARKS residents on the future of the Arbutus Corridor.

*Percent Agree 80/81*

### 5.7 Review Transit Fares and Promote Ridership

*Approved*

TransLink should consider ways to encourage greater ridership including special promotions and a reduction in the fare schedule.

*Percent Agree 70/68*

People's Ideas...

- provide free rides on Canada Day
- provide 'U-pass' for Vancouver residents — add cost to property taxes — and run 'U-passes' all year round
- decrease bus fares for seniors and youth
- extend time limits for transfers
- provide a 'family rate' for families travelling together on transit

## 5.8 Local Involvement in Transit Decisions

*Approved*

There should be more local involvement in transit decisions.

*Percent Agree 72/66*

People's Ideas...

-make those most affected by TransLink decisions part of the decision making process

## 6. Greenways and Bikeways

### 6.1 Improve Greenway and Bikeway Routes

*Approved*

Greenways should link major walking destinations within and outside of ARKS and provide safe crossings at major streets. While the existing Ridgeway Greenway, and the Angus/Cypress, Midtown, and Marine Bikeways are important community assets, improvements must still be made to encourage greater use of pedestrian and cyclist routes and facilities, and improve safety at intersections.

*Percent Agree 72/72*

People's Ideas...

- narrow traffic lanes on Marine Drive to expand Bikelane and sidewalk
- provide better signage directing cyclists to Bikeways
- provide buffer between vehicles and bicycles on Marine Drive – remove cars parking in bikelane
- provide more traffic calming on bike routes especially on 37th to deal with school traffic
- show alternative routes to avoid steep hills and other barriers (e.g. 45th instead of 37th for steep sections)
- provide an east-west Greenway along King Edward or 16th
- consider 43rd or 45th as a good biking and walking route
- add a route for cyclists near 41st (e.g. 40th or 42nd)

### 6.2 Initiate Neighbourhood Greenways

*Approved*

ARKS residents should initiate Neighbourhood Greenways on frequently used walking and biking routes within the area (shown on the map). A Neighbourhood Greenway running between Kerrisdale Village and Arbutus Shopping Centre and incorporating Ravine Park should be investigated.

*Percent Agree 68/74*

People's Ideas...

- extend trail along Ravine Park to 41st shopping area



### 6.3 Provide General Walking and Biking Improvements

*Approved*

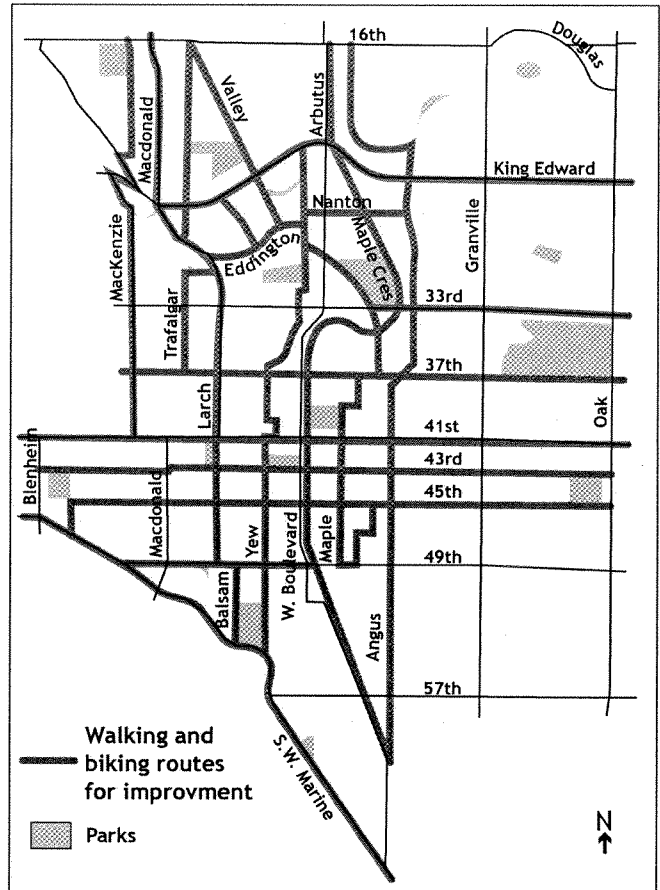
The frequently used walking and biking routes within ARKS shown on the map should have additional greening and other types of improvements, including:

- installation of sidewalks on streets without sidewalks and improved maintenance of existing streets and sidewalks,
- better pedestrian and bike crossings of arterials, and
- beautification of streets and sidewalks (e.g. tree-lined streets, landscaping, flowers, benches, special paving, and lighting).

*Percent Agree 72/73*

People's Ideas...

- install signals at major intersections on well-used but non-designated routes



### 6.4 Provide and Repair Streets and Sidewalks

*Approved*

Streets and sidewalks in ARKS should be provided or repaired where necessary.

*Percent Agree 77/82*

People's Ideas...

- fix sidewalks on west side of 5900 block Balsam
- improve condition of sidewalk and pavement on Elm, Larch, 43rd, Balsam, Angus, and Connaught
- pave and calm MacKenzie between 33rd and 41st
- provide sidewalks on East Boulevard between 52nd and 57th
- fix the pavement along MacKenzie, Blenheim, and East Boulevard (49th to 57th)

### 6.5 Provide Bike Parking and Racks

*Approved*

Bike parking and racks should be more readily available in ARKS, particularly at major destinations like Kerrisdale Village.

*Percent Agree 64/67*

People's Ideas...

- provide bike racks in visible areas – easy to access and monitor – in areas around Kerrisdale Village, on buses, and in schools, parks and commercial areas

6.6 Develop Bikelanes along 33rd and MacKenzie

*Approved*

Bikelanes along 33rd and MacKenzie should be considered as part of a city-wide commuter network (this would be considered as part of a more detailed plan, to ensure that it was safe and that it fits in with the City's overall network of biking routes).

*Percent Agree 59/57*

People's Ideas...

- provide Bikelanes on secondary arterials with bike parking
- dedicate land for Bikelanes (I don't commute by bike because I'm scared of being hit by a car)
- install Bikelanes near all elementary and secondary schools
- separate Bikelanes from car lanes

## COMMUNITY SAFETY AND SERVICES

### 7. Community Safety

#### 7.1 Individual Actions to Improve Safety

*Approved*

Individuals should take responsibility for reducing the likelihood they or their property will be affected by crime. Possible actions include making their homes and vehicles more burglar and theft resistant, and getting to know their neighbours.

*Percent Agree 84/87*

People's Ideas...

- do not bring valuables to the community centre or library
- remove valuables when leaving the car and display 'no valuables' sign on vehicles
- install security cameras, motion sensor lighting, and gates to protect your home
- report suspicious behaviour to the police, especially in the back lanes
- get a 'vacation' buddy to check on your home when away
- hold more block parties to promote communication between neighbours

#### 7.2 Support the Community Policing Centre and Community Policing

*Approved*

The Community Policing Centre (CPC) serving ARKS should be further strengthened and supported by the community. The CPC should expand the Block Watch Program, recruit more volunteers, and do more outreach in the community (especially to newcomers).

*Percent Agree 80/80*

People's Ideas...

- publish newsletter about safety issues
- conduct meetings with local residents and newcomers about crime prevention in community centres, schools, and businesses
- hold regular safety fairs in the community centre
- recruit a Chinese speaking coordinator to get the Chinese involved as volunteers
- encourage Block Watch captains to connect better with newcomers in the neighbourhood
- locate a satellite station of the CPC at the community centre or major commercial areas to distribute information and recruit volunteers

#### 7.3 Community Actions to Reduce Crime

*Approved*

The CPC, the City, the Police Department, the community centre, business groups, schools, and local neighbourhood groups should strengthen crime prevention efforts. These efforts should include improved lighting in low-visibility areas, strengthening community connections and partnerships, and wider use of crime prevention and education programs.

*Percent Agree 85/80*

People's Ideas...

- get neighbourhood associations to organize more crime prevention activities (e.g. volunteer night patrols)
- post signs in the community centre reminding people to take care of their own belongings or designate a 'safe' area for depositing valuables

- provide better lighting on the streets and lanes (e.g. prevent lights from being overshadowed by tree limbs), and install emergency phones
- extend opening hours of Kerrisdale stores into the evening (to make streets brighter and safer and provide support when there is danger)
- encourage dog owners to be involved in the pooch patrol program

#### 7.4 Enhance Police Services

*Approved*

There should be more patrols by police on foot and bicycle, particularly in areas of the community with higher crime rates, to enable the police to be more responsive to local safety concerns and needs.

*Percent Agree 85/85*

People's Ideas...

- improve response to 'break and enter' 911 calls
- need to provide bilingual Chinese police to help the residents of ARKS

#### 7.5 Prevent Youth Crime

*Approved*

Youth crime should be prevented through the co-ordinated efforts of schools, police, community organizations, and other groups working with youth. Initiatives could include additional facilities and programs in parks, community centres, and schools to provide alternatives for youth.

*Percent Agree 83/79*

People's Ideas...

- offer more free drop-in recreation activities and after school clubs to reduce crimes of opportunity and vandalism by teens
- develop sense of 'community' responsibility in youth
- integrate new students into the student body (i.e. have a 'buddy system')
- have high schools sponsor an evening event about the problem of bullying

#### 7.6 Community Consultation on the Location of Treatment Centres

*Approved*

When the City and the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority or other institutions begin to implement the City's Drug Prevention Policy (e.g. needle exchanges, local treatment centres, and other facilities), they must include extensive consultation with the local community.

*Percent Agree 76/76*

### 8. Recreation Facilities and Services

#### 8.1 Expand Space for Programming in Kerrisdale Community Centre

*Approved*

Kerrisdale Community Centre should be expanded to provide more space for programs and activities including a better equipped gym or exercise room.

*Percent Agree 63/63*

People's Ideas...

- add more floors to existing building to increase space
- provide bikes, treadmill, and Kaiser weight equipment for people over 55
- build bigger gym and update gym equipment (better spacing of equipment)
- organize early morning fitness walking group
- hold workshops on community history and heritage, and provide tours and explanatory pamphlets
- add advanced sewing class to the program schedule

## 8.2 Provide More Public Recreation Facilities in Arbutus Ridge and Shaughnessy

*Approved*

More public recreation facilities should be provided in Arbutus Ridge and Shaughnessy by building new facilities or extending the use of existing facilities for recreational purposes.

*Percent Agree 55/57*

People's Ideas...

- locate a community centre or neighbourhood house in or near Arbutus Shopping Centre
- need a community centre in the Shaughnessy area with a swimming pool near Quilchena Park
- encourage sharing facilities with churches

## 8.3 Establish a Neighbourhood House in ARKS

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

A neighbourhood house should be established in ARKS to help meet the changing social and cultural needs of the community.

*Percent Agree 38/38*

People's Ideas...

- bring people of different backgrounds to work together and build stronger connections
- offer more multicultural programs, and welcome newcomers
- create a year round neighbourhood house facility in the lawn bowling building in Elm Park

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in either the general survey or random surveys. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.4 to 1, random survey: 1.5 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion in further planning.*

## 8.4 Upgrade and Expand Kerrisdale Pool

*Approved*

Kerrisdale Pool should be upgraded and expanded to better meet the needs of the community.

*Percent Agree 63/65*

People's Ideas...

- build a new pool with waterslide next to existing pool
- need a larger pool with a hot tub and cleaner changing room
- need a sauna, spa, and whirlpool (could help people with arthritis and the disabled)
- need warm enough water for young children (at least 31C)
- incorporate new filtering technology in new pool facilities

#### 8.5 Retain and Upgrade Maple Grove Pool

*Approved*

Maple Grove Pool should be retained and upgraded as a valuable recreational community resource.

*Percent Agree 64/68*

#### 8.6 Retain and Upgrade Kerrisdale Arena

*Approved*

Kerrisdale Arena should be retained and upgraded to better meet the needs of the community in ARKS.

*Percent Agree 69/72*

People's Ideas...

- rebuild the rink, and keep open throughout the year
- serves many youth living along the Boulevard
- is a valuable resource in ARKS for possible future development

#### 8.7 Provide More Child Care Services

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

More child care services such as daycare should be provided in the community centre and by other local organizations to meet the needs of families and children in the community.

*Percent Agree 52/52*

People's Ideas...

- need more public daycares in ARKS
- support more local licensed daycare centres
- add child care facilities in community centre during school vacations
- start a group like US Moms (single moms collaborating for services)

*Comment: This Direction did receive majority support in the general survey, but did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In the random survey, the Direction received substantially more agree votes than disagree votes (3 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classed as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion in further planning.*

#### 8.8 Improve Programs and Facilities for Youth

*Approved*

Improve and create more programs and facilities for youth, with special attention to interaction and partnerships between youth and seniors.

*Percent Agree 66/68*

People's Ideas...

- organize programs to integrate seniors and youth by partnering with other government agencies such as the Ministry of Human Resources
- introduce youth activities to promote diversity and awareness between different cultures
- canvas youth for activity ideas that will serve them in their adult lives (e.g. job search skills, on the job training)
- need organized volunteer activities for youth
- need tables and games in youth room at Kerrisdale Community Centre

- find out opinions of shy and ESL kids
- use area from 37th to 38th along West Boulevard as a youth activity centre to serve Point Grey Secondary students
- need tennis and basketball courts at Maple Grove Park

#### 8.9 Expand Programs and Services for Seniors

*Approved*

Expand programs and services for seniors, especially at Kerrisdale Seniors' Centre. These programs and services should be available to people with a variety of cultural and linguistic backgrounds.

*Percent Agree 67/66*

People's Ideas...

- organize programs such as hiking, chess and singing, and provide services such as raking leaves
- consider a senior drop-in area with Mandarin-speaking staff
- find an effective way to attract multilingual volunteers for seniors' centre

#### 8.10 Celebrate Multiculturalism

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

Create opportunities for neighbours to meet and celebrate cultural diversity in ARKS.

*Percent Agree 54/55*

People's Ideas...

- hold cultural dances at block parties, and an international food fair in the community centre

*Comment: This Direction did receive majority support in the general survey, but was .3% short of the required support in the random survey to be classified as Approved (54.7%). In the random survey, the Direction received substantially more agree votes than disagree votes (3.5 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion in further planning.*

### 9. Library Facilities and Services

#### 9.1 Kerrisdale Branch Library

*Approved*

The Kerrisdale Branch Library should be upgraded and expanded at or near its current location.

*Percent Agree 76/77*

People's Ideas...

- increase library size because of high usage
- relocate library so it can be at ground level but locate close to community centre
- need a children/youth area and a reading room

## 9.2 Improve Kerrisdale Branch Library Services

*Approved*

The services of Kerrisdale Branch Library should be modified to better serve the public based on a review of factors such as collections, installation of a book drop, availability of Internet access, programming, service to non-English speakers, and opening hours.

*Percent Agree 73/74*

People's Ideas...

- open Kerrisdale Library on Wednesdays
- enhance website to highlight new and popular books
- order more Chinese newspapers, books, and magazines

## 10. Services for Newcomers and Immigrants

### 10.1 Provide More Programs and Services for Newcomers and Immigrants

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

More programs and services should be provided for newcomers and immigrants in ARKS.

*Percent Agree 50/47*

People's Ideas...

- provide programs or services through partnership between community centres, churches, ISS, SUCCESS and MOSAIC
- help immigrants/newcomers including the Chinese, Koreans, and Japanese to know more about the community including opportunities to volunteer
- provide Mandarin workshops on computer skills and 'Canadian living' for newcomers
- locate suggestion box to encourage newcomers to express what they need
- create opportunities to practice English in social settings (not just having ESL classes)
- provide more Chinese programs (e.g. singing programs in Cantonese/Mandarin in Kerrisdale Community Centre)

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in the general survey, and did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. It was .3% short of a majority in the general survey, and in both surveys, the Direction received substantially more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 2.3 to 1, random survey: 2.0 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion in further planning.*

### 10.2 More Information about Programs and Services

*Approved*

More information about services provided by the City and other service providers should be readily available, especially to newcomers to the community.

*Percent Agree 59/59*

People's Ideas...

- provide an information centre for newcomers in community centre to raise awareness of available services
- provide a notice board with information about community groups
- create multi-language information materials on garbage, clean up, and conservation issues
- create list of phone numbers for city services so that citizens know where to go for information (e.g. fridge magnets, telephone books)
- provide Chinese translation at community events
- have an online multilingual (Chinese) community webpage



## EXISTING RESIDENTIAL AREAS

### 11. Single Family Houses

#### 11.1 Maintain Most Single Family Areas

*Approved*

In order to retain the basic character of ARKS, most of the area that is now single family (with suites allowed) should be kept that way (exceptions would only be considered where the community supports new housing choices as described in Directions 13.4, 15.1 - 15.9, 15.11, 16.1 - 16.6, 18.17, and 20.13).

*Percent Agree 86/84*

People's Ideas...

- retain single family houses as they are attractive to all types of households
- keep single-family houses because they can be affordable rental housing for small families

### 12. New House Design

#### 12.1 Design Review for New Single Family Houses

*Approved*

Most areas in ARKS have zoning with some level of design review of new single family houses. Those single-family areas that currently do not have zoning with design review should be able to obtain it with sufficient community support.

*Percent Agree 80/76*

People's Ideas...

- build new houses in traditional styles
- require all houses to go through design review
- fit houses into the overall streetscape
- allow more modern looking housing and encourage imagination in design
- allow for diversity where everyone builds what they want
- need better design rather than just 'fitting in'

#### 12.2 Public Involvement in the Review of New Single Family House Design

*Approved*

In areas with design review of new single family homes, the City should explore alternative methods for improving public involvement in the review of new or substantially renovated single family houses, including some form of community-based design panel or advisory committee (e.g. First Shaughnessy Advisory Design Panel).

*Percent Agree 66/66*

People's Ideas...

- use Shaughnessy's Design Panel as a model for other areas
- need neighbourhood input on house design
- have mandatory consultation with neighbours who sign-off on design
- have feedback meetings between neighbourhood groups and the City about recent approvals
- do not give veto power to neighbours when approving designs

### 13. Retaining Heritage

#### 13.1 Support for First Shaughnessy Official Development Plan (ODP)

*Approved*

The First Shaughnessy ODP should be retained and supported as an important policy to encourage the retention of the heritage buildings, landscaping, and the estate-like image of the area.

*Percent Agree 78/78*

#### 13.2 Retain Buildings on the Vancouver Heritage Register (VHR)

*Approved*

For buildings listed in the VHR, the City should encourage retention by implementing additional incentives which are suitable in ARKS.

*Percent Agree 78/77*

People's Ideas...

- need incentives to save smaller heritage houses (e.g. allow infill housing)
- create incentives for retention including allowing infill, giving tax breaks, and selling development rights
- add extra floors to increase floorspace (rather than building infill)
- undertake a more comprehensive inventory of heritage buildings and houses
- keep all heritage buildings and add to the VHR list

#### 13.3 Retaining Other Character Buildings

*Approved*

In order to encourage retention of 'character' buildings not on the VHR, there should be incentives to renovate and disincentives to demolish these buildings.

*Percent Agree 74/71*

People's Ideas...

- provide seed money for upgrading and give tax relief
- need incentives to keep some older houses (e.g. allow infill housing, give tax breaks, sell development rights)
- need special incentives to retain smaller buildings

#### 13.4 Multiple Conversion Dwellings (MCDs)

*Approved*

Character housing should be retained, and housing variety increased, by allowing more MCDs on large lots. The MCDs should be designed to retain the look of the original building, and have adequate parking. Adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population should be provided.

*Percent Agree 61/63*

People's Ideas...

- should be developed on 50' lots, with adequate parking, or on corner lots
- preserve character of existing houses and neighbourhoods by allowing MCDs
- appropriate for large lots with large houses, good heritage preservation tool

**14. Changes in CD-1 Zones**

**14.1 Process for CD-1 Zoned Sites Anywhere in ARKS**

*Approved*

When anything other than a small change is proposed to a development on a site zoned CD-1 – whether in its buildings or uses – the City should undertake a rezoning process in order to ensure appropriate community consultation, and to provide the City with the ability to deny or impose conditions on the proposed development.

*Percent Agree 72/72*

## NEW HOUSING

### 15. New Housing Types

#### 15.1 Allow More Infill

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

Housing variety should be increased in ARKS by allowing more infill housing than is currently permitted, provided it is:

- designed to fit into the single family area, with good landscaping
- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts.

*Percent Agree 56/55*

People's Ideas...

- prefer fee simple (individual ownership) to strata title (with common property and strata council))
- desirable for keeping heritage buildings
- can allow extended families to live close together

*Comment: This Direction did receive majority support in the general survey, but was .3% short of the required support in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In the random survey, the Direction received substantially more agree votes than disagree votes (2 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

#### 15.2 Allow More Duplexes

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

Housing variety should be increased in ARKS by allowing more duplexes than are currently permitted, provided they are:

- designed to fit into the single family area, with good landscaping
- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts.

*Percent Agree 56/54*

People's Ideas...

- allow duplexes as they exist now in single family areas and do not disturb character
- need more single family houses and duplexes

*Comment: This Direction did receive majority support in the general survey, but did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In the random survey, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (1.9 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

### 15.3 Allow Some Cottages or Small Houses on Shared Lots

#### *Not Approved (Uncertain)*

Housing variety should be increased in ARKS by allowing some cottages or small houses on shared lots, provided they are:

- designed to fit into the single family area, with good landscaping
- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts.

*Percent Agree 53/54*

People's Ideas...

- redevelop large sites into cottages with green courtyard
- increases affordable/low cost housing opportunities
- gain some advantages of single family housing (e.g. good design features) with some loss of privacy

*Comment: This Direction did receive majority support in the general survey, but was .9% short of the required support in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In the random survey, the Direction received substantially more agree votes than disagree votes (1.9 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

### 15.4 Allow Some Fourplexes and Villas (six units)

#### *Not Supported*

Housing variety should be increased in ARKS by allowing some fourplexes and villas (six units), provided they are:

- designed to fit into the single family area, with good landscaping
- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts.

*Percent Agree 40/42*

People's Ideas...

- must be complimentary to existing neighbourhood character

*Comment: This Direction is Not Supported because disagree votes out numbered agree votes in the general survey. Fourplexes and Villas (six units) will not be brought forward for consideration when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

### 15.5 Allow Some Traditional Rowhouses

#### *Not Approved (Uncertain)*

Housing variety should be increased in ARKS by allowing some traditional rowhouses provided they are:

- designed to fit into the single family area, with good landscaping
- located in select areas and built as small projects rather than as a widespread replacement for existing housing types

- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts.

*Percent Agree 45/49*

People's Ideas...

- allow no more than 4 to 6 dwellings in one rowhouse complex and only one complex per block
- vary setbacks for light, views, gardens, and parking

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in either the general or random surveys. In both surveys, the Direction received substantially more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 2.3 to 1, random survey: 2.0 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

#### 15.6 Allow Some Courtyard or Carriage Court Rowhouses

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

Housing variety should be increased in ARKS by allowing some courtyard or carriage court rowhouses, provided they are:

- designed to fit into single family area with good landscaping
- located in select areas and built as small projects rather than as a widespread replacement for existing housing types
- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts.

*Percent Agree 46/46*

People's Ideas...

- shared courtyard very attractive for kids to play in safely
- preferred by older singles and couples who spend more time at home and place a higher value on outdoor space

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in either the general or random surveys. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.4 to 1, random survey: 1.4 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

#### 15.7 Allow More Four-storey Apartments

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

Some additional four-storey apartments should be permitted in ARKS, provided they are:

- designed to be compatible with adjacent residential and commercial buildings, with good landscaping
- located in select areas and built as small projects rather than a widespread replacement for existing housing types
- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts.

*Percent Agree 42/41*

People's Ideas...

- redevelop apartments in areas where current housing has no redeeming features (i.e. lack of green space, poor design, poor construction)
- good for seniors-supported living (e.g. with daily meal program, an emergency monitoring and response system, help with housekeeping and laundry, and social and recreation activities)

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in either the general or random surveys. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.1 to 1, random survey: 1.1 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

#### 15.8 Allow More Six-storey Apartments

*Not Supported*

Some additional six-storey apartments should be permitted in ARKS provided they are:

- designed to be compatible with adjacent residential and commercial buildings, with good landscaping
- located in select areas and built as small projects rather than as a widespread replacement for existing housing types.
- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts.

*Percent Agree 28/29*

People's Ideas...

- good for seniors' housing in areas near neighbourhood centres
- can lead to increased accessibility (with the provision of elevators) with increased density
- increase the amount of green space with increased density

*Comment: This Direction is Not Supported because disagree votes outnumbered agree votes in both the general and the surveys. Six-storey apartments will not be brought forward for consideration when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

#### 15.9 Allow More Twelve-storey Apartments

*Not Supported*

Some additional twelve-storey apartments should be permitted in ARKS provided they are:

- located in select areas, and generally part of a major rezoning
- designed to be compatible with adjacent residential and commercial buildings, with good landscaping
- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts.

*Percent Agree 26/27*

People's Ideas...

- need lots of surrounding green space
- allow with some public benefit (e.g. daycare centre, social services, or seniors daycare centre)
- concern about blocking views and shadowing

*Comment: This Direction is Not Supported because disagree votes outnumbered agree votes in both the general and the random surveys. Twelve-storey apartments will not be brought forward for consideration when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

#### 15.10 Any New Housing Types

Several new housing types have been described in this section. Did you support any of the new housing types (Infill, Duplexes, Small Houses or Cottages on Shared Lots, Fourplexes and Villas, Traditional Rowhouses, Courtyard or Carriage Court Rowhouses, Four-storey Apartments, Six-storey Apartments, and Twelve-storey Apartments) in the Directions listed above?

*Percent supporting at least one new housing type 47/54*

*Comment: This Direction is not given a classification because it refers to the previous Directions rather than asking a specific policy question. It is interesting that respondents under-reported their support for at least one housing type.*

#### 15.11 Seniors' Housing

*Approved*

Some small developments designed for seniors should be considered near parks, shopping, transit, and services to allow seniors to stay in the community as their housing needs change.

*Percent Agree 78/82*

People's Ideas...

- need seniors assisted living and extended care in close proximity to services
- locate near shops, coffee houses, etc.
- need more seniors' accommodation: low-income, rental

### 16. New Housing Locations

#### 16.1 Allow New Housing Types on Large Lots

*Approved*

New housing types should be permitted in ARKS on large lots, subject to detailed planning and impact mitigation.

*Percent Agree 55/60*

#### 16.2 Allow New Housing Types Around Schools

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

New housing types should be permitted around schools in ARKS, subject to detailed planning and impact mitigation.

*Percent Agree 51/53*

*Comment: This Direction did receive majority support in the general survey, but did not receive the required support in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In the random survey, the Direction received substantially more agree votes than disagree votes (2.1 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

#### 16.3 Allow New Housing Types Around Larger Parks

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*



New housing types should be permitted around larger parks in ARKS, subject to detailed planning and impact mitigation.

*Percent Agree 49/54*

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in the general survey, and did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be considered approved. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.6 to 1, random survey: 2 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

#### 16.4 Allow New Housing Types to be Scattered Throughout the Single Family Areas

*Not Supported*

New housing types should be permitted in scattered locations throughout the single family areas of ARKS, subject to detailed planning and impact mitigation.

*Percent Agree 36/37*

*Comment: This Direction is Not Supported because disagree votes outnumbered agree votes in both the general and random surveys. New Housing Types Scattered Throughout the Single Family Areas will not be brought forward for consideration when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

#### 16.5 Allow New Housing Types On or Near Arterial Roads

*Approved*

New housing types should be permitted on or near arterial roads in ARKS, subject to detailed planning and impact mitigation.

*Percent Agree 51/61*

#### 16.6 Allow New Housing Near Shopping Areas

*Approved*

New housing types should be permitted near shopping areas in ARKS, subject to detailed planning and impact mitigation.

*Percent Agree 66/68*

#### 16.7 Support for New Housing in at least One Location

Did you support consideration of new housing in any of the locations identified in the Directions above (On Large Lots, Around Schools, Around Parks, Scattered Throughout the Single Family Area, On or Near Arterial Roads, or Near Shopping Areas)?

*Percent support at least one housing location 42/52*

*Comment: This Direction is not given a classification because it refers to the previous Directions rather than asking a specific policy question. It is interesting that respondents under-reported their support for at least one housing location.*

## 17. Housing Affordability

### 17.1 Housing Affordability

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

The City should urge senior governments to reinstate programs that fund non-market housing and to develop new initiatives that will increase non-market housing in ARKS, including co-ops.

*Percent Agree 47/45*

People's Ideas...

- need larger variety of units, rental and co-ops
- provide more opportunities for families with kids
- need safe, social housing, especially for women and children

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in the general survey, and did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.3 to 1, random survey: 1.2 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion in future planning.*

### 17.2 Integrating Market with Non-Market Housing

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

Projects or proposals that provide non-market housing should also include a share of market housing.

*Percent Agree 43/40*

People's Ideas...

- ensure no exclusive social housing complexes

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in either the general or random surveys. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.3 to 1, random survey: 1.2 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion in future planning.*

## NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRES

### 18. Kerrisdale Shopping Area ('Kerrisdale Village')

#### 18.1 Enhance Important Shopping Area

*Approved*

Kerrisdale Village should be enhanced as a major neighbourhood shopping area and important community place.

*Percent Agree 78/80*

People's Ideas...

-retain the size and shape of the shopping area

#### 18.2 Ensure Continuity of Shops and Services

*Approved*

In the shopping area, shops and services should be continuous along the ground floor of buildings. Ground floor frontage should not be interrupted by driveways, drive-throughs, parking lots, or building fronts that are not 'pedestrian friendly'.

*Percent Agree 82/83*

People's Ideas...

-need more shops along East Boulevard from 41st to 45th

#### 18.3 Provide a Range of Shops and Services

*Approved*

There should continue to be a wide range of local-serving shops and services in the shopping area.

*Percent Agree 81/86*

People's Ideas...

-use the area from 37th to 38th along West Boulevard as a youth activity centre to serve Point Grey Secondary students

-encourage stores that appeal to younger people

-add additional services or a theatre to the area adjacent to the community centre and Kerrisdale Centennial Park

-need an Office Depot type of store to support home businesses

-encourage wine bars, more outside patio seating, and/or a jazz club

-consider tax burden on small business when pursuing policy to have a wide range of shops in neighbourhood centres

#### 18.4 Discourage Additional Auto-oriented Services

*Approved*

Additional auto-oriented services (e.g. gas stations, repair shops, etc.) should be discouraged in the shopping area.

*Percent Agree 63/66*

People's Ideas...

-do not allow gas stations anywhere in Kerrisdale Village

### 18.5 Add a Supermarket

*Approved*

The City, in consultation with the neighbourhood, should work with supermarket owners to identify, assemble, and rezone a site for a moderately sized supermarket with adequate parking provided.

*Percent Agree 65/66*

People's Ideas...

- provide a supermarket to 'anchor' the neighbourhood shopping area
- need a supermarket in the area (IGA at 41st and Dunbar is too far away)
- use the area south of 43rd along West Boulevard as a potential grocery store site
- put the supermarket in an underutilized area (e.g. north or south of 41st along West Boulevard)
- need a medium-sized supermarket like 'Urban Fare' or 'Choices' - closer to 15,000 sq. ft.

### 18.6 Improve Pedestrian Safety

*Approved*

Safer crossings for pedestrians in the business area should be provided, especially at 41st and West and East Boulevard.

*Percent Agree 75/76*

People's Ideas...

- provide a mid-block crossing between Yew and West Boulevard on 41st
- construct raised crosswalks at East and West Boulevard on 41st
- provide a crossing on West Boulevard at 39th

### 18.7 Improve Bike Access for Kerrisdale Village

*Approved*

Bike access to and within Kerrisdale Village should be improved.

*Percent Agree 54/56*

People's Ideas...

- need better bike access to centres like Kerrisdale Village
- have a route for cyclists off 41st – perhaps 40th or 42nd
- need a separate lane for cyclists along 41st

### 18.8 Control Sidewalk Merchandise

*Approved*

Merchandise displays and sandwich boards on the sidewalk add interest and vitality on the street, but the amount of sidewalk they take up should be limited. They should leave enough room for pedestrians (including wheelchairs and strollers) to pass each other, and should leave more sidewalk space at bus stops and crosswalks where more people gather. The limit should be enforced.

*Percent Agree 70/64*

People's Ideas...

- retain current limits, leaving 5' clear pathway for pedestrians
- create more energy by keeping narrow sidewalks
- remove signs from sidewalks

#### 18.9 Provide Weather Protection

*Approved*

There should be continuous weather protection for shoppers in the form of canopies or awnings.

*Percent Agree 57/57*

People's Ideas...

-put awnings in front of busy areas like bus stops

#### 18.10 Protect and Enhance Street Trees

*Approved*

The existing street trees contribute to the pleasant character of the street. These trees should be kept and maintained wherever possible. Their impact should be enhanced by adding trees where they are missing as well as in new corner bulges and along side streets.

*Percent Agree 84/87*

People's Ideas...

-provide more trees on both sides of Yew near 41st

-plant taller, bigger trees around community centre on 42nd

-ensure that trees and other greenery do not block business signs/advertising

#### 18.11 Improve Design of Awnings

*Approved*

The design of awnings should be improved. A set of awning guidelines should be considered for Kerrisdale Village.

*Percent Agree 56/57*

People's Ideas...

-have the Kerrisdale BIA adopt some guidelines for the design of the awnings and have them enforced by the City.

-give awnings a consistent look

#### 18.12 Create a More Attractive Area

*Approved*

Local merchants and owners, through the Kerrisdale BIA, have significantly improved the area's appearance with banners, colourful lightpoles, a landmark clock, decorative trash receptacles and newspaper box screens, a signature Kerrisdale sign, bus shelters, and decorative pedestrian lighting. The appearance of Kerrisdale Village should be improved through efforts of private businesses and the City (e.g. create outdoor patios, attractive landscaping, banners, special lighting, bike racks, public notice boards/directory, public art, special paving, drinking fountains), retaining its 'village' character.

*Percent Agree 78/78*

People's Ideas...

-retain character of Kerrisdale Village: 'villagy' with specialty shops, small storefronts, character buildings (e.g. Bill Chow Jewellers), and lower heights of buildings

- allow people to retain the siting of their shop on the street if they redevelop (i.e. ignore the building line)
- apply building lines to allow for sidewalk boulevards, benches, and plantings
- increase plantings, baskets of flowers on boulevards on 41st
- provide more benches on West Boulevard and on 42nd outside of London Drugs
- create a pedestrian mews between Vine and the west end of 40th
- beautify and make more functional the London Drugs mews with more plantings, benches, and tables (to have lunch), and redesign the back lane
- provide more attractive sidewalk treatment and landscaping when side streets intersect with shopping streets
- use the intersection of 41st and the Boulevards, and 41st and Yew, to increase the character of this area with increased sidewalk width, corner bulges, brick pavers, landscaping, and other treatments

### 18.13 Create a Public Plaza or Gathering Space

*Approved*

A public plaza or gathering space should be created in Kerrisdale Village for people to 'meet and greet', perform, and relax; with community arts, community services, and extensive landscaping and trees.

*Percent Agree 57/58*

People's Ideas...

- create a town square with live music
- find a place for the community to gather (e.g. Yew and 41st)
- design and build a water feature, public art, and/or public seating areas in Kerrisdale
- provide more courtyard areas on 41st between stores

### 18.14 Provide A Cleaner Place

*Approved*

Sidewalks, gutters, lanes, parking lots, storefronts, garbage areas, and loading bays should be kept cleaner and maintained better by both private businesses and the City.

*Percent Agree 81/80*

People's Ideas...

- clean up lane south of 41st at London Drugs
- clean up area around McDonald's at 41st and East Boulevard
- need bigger garbage cans on 41st
- deal with garbage spill around dumpsters in back lanes
- get high school kids to help clean up areas in Kerrisdale

### 18.15 Provide Convenient Parking

*Approved*

Short-term customer parking, including curbside parking, should be available to support local businesses and reduce impacts of parking on local streets adjacent to the shopping area.

*Percent Agree 78/78*

People's Ideas...

- provide more underground parking for shoppers and community centre users
- encourage side angled parking with landscaping
- provide more parking off of 41st
- provide more signage for free public parking

#### 18.16 Address Crime and Nuisance Behavior

*Approved*

Crime and nuisance behavior such as graffiti and aggressive panhandling should be addressed through community-based prevention and more enforcement by police and security people. The Kerrisdale BIA should assist in doing this.

*Percent Agree 82/82*

People's Ideas...

- provide more police presence or liaison with BIA or residents to deal with safety issues, using a bilingual officer/volunteer who can speak Chinese

#### 18.17 Provide Additional Housing on Edges of Kerrisdale Village

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

Provide additional housing in Kerrisdale Village along the edges of the existing shopping and apartment areas to support the shopping area and to allow more people to live close to where they work or shop. Housing types to consider would be small scale (including fourplexes and rowhouses), and would replace the less affordable single-family housing. Any housing redevelopment should be designed to 'fit in' with the single family area, and have good landscaping.

*Percent Agree 48/50*

People's Ideas...

- allow triplexes, row houses to be built around the Kerrisdale area (e.g. around Larch Street and 41st Avenue and ensure that they are affordable)
- address increased traffic and congestion problems with increased density
- provide more diversity of housing forms and more landscaping

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in the general survey, and did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.7 to 1, random survey: 1.9 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

### 19. Arbutus Shopping Centre ('Arbutus Village')

#### 19.1 Create a New Neighbourhood Centre (Arbutus Village)

*Approved*

The creation of a neighbourhood centre (Arbutus Village) should be considered at the Arbutus Shopping Centre. In future, stores should be relocated closer to Arbutus Street, incorporating shops, cafes, and services on the ground floor. A new internal shopping 'street' with benches, trees, and greenery should replace the existing surface parking lot, with parking largely placed underground. Pedestrian and bike pathways would connect parks, schools, and Kerrisdale Village with the new neighbourhood centre.

*Percent Agree 57/64*

People's Ideas...

- redevelop Arbutus Shopping Centre with more urban, street-oriented development
- convert parking lot space into new internal shopping street and bring commercial area out to Arbutus
- could be developed more like a market place with a farmers' market, artist displays, cafes, etc.
- serve the growing Asian population with stores open later, a night market, etc.

## 19.2 Provide Additional Housing at Arbutus Village

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

The new neighbourhood centre at Arbutus Village should include additional housing types, complemented by additional community services and amenities. Apartments would be located above shops on Arbutus Street and on the new internal shopping street to add housing diversity and support the shops in the new centre. New apartment buildings would be built in place of the existing mall, overlooking Arbutus Village Linear Park.

*Percent Agree 47/49*

People's Ideas...

- bring commercial area out to Arbutus with residential above, courtyard space in behind
- increase density provided that the shopping centre is improved
- allow mixed use development to increase density and improve commercial activity

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in the general survey, and did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.5 to 1, random survey: 1.8 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional planning occurs on the shopping centre site.*

## 19.3 Extend Shopping Area South of Arbutus Shopping Centre

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

Should redevelopment occur south of the shopping centre, consider extending residential/commercial 'mixed use' developments down the west side of Arbutus as far as the existing small commercial area at Arbutus and Valley.

*Percent Agree 47/50*

People's Ideas...

- extend 'mixed use' residential/commercial south along Arbutus to connect Arbutus Shopping Centre with commercial area at Arbutus and Valley
- redevelop retail at Arbutus and Valley as mixed use residential/commercial

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in the general survey, and did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.6 to 1, random survey: 1.9 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional planning occurs on the shopping centre site.*

## 19.4 Create a Public Plaza or Gathering Space

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

A public plaza or gathering space should be created in Arbutus Village for people to 'meet and greet', perform, and relax; with community arts, community services, and extensive landscaping and trees.

*Percent Agree 49/53*

People's Ideas...

- should incorporate some sort of community meeting place like an outdoor bandstand in the new development



*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in the general survey, and did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.8 to 1, random survey: 2.9 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional planning occurs on the site.*

#### 19.5 Ensure Continuity of Shops and Services

*Approved*

In any redevelopment of the shopping centre, shops and services should be continuous along the ground floor of buildings. Ground floor frontage should not be interrupted by drive-throughs, parking lots, or building fronts and uses that are not 'pedestrian friendly'.

*Percent Agree 69/69*

#### 19.6 Provide a Range of Shops and Services

*Approved*

There should be a wide range of local serving shops and services in the shopping area.

*Percent Agree 72/76*

People's Ideas...

- lower the rents to attract more small shops and more diversity of stores
- retain a liquor store and a post office in any new development
- consider a farmer's market, pub/restaurant, barbershop, or men's clothing store on the site
- add a T and T supermarket and other Chinese stores
- need a community centre or neighbourhood house, and provide children's programs and tutoring
- need to have more interactive seniors' activities in the mall
- restrict financial or real estate institutions because they tend to decrease commercial activity in an area

#### 19.7 Discourage Additional Auto-oriented Services

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

Additional auto-oriented services (e.g. gas stations, repair shops, etc.) should be discouraged in the shopping centre.

*Percent Agree 48/54*

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in the general survey, and did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In both surveys, the Direction received substantially more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 2.6 to 1, random survey: 3.1 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional planning occurs on the site.*

#### 19.8 Retain a Supermarket

*Approved*

The supermarket is an important anchor for the shopping area. Any redevelopment plans for Arbutus Shopping Centre should include a supermarket.

*Percent Agree 86/89*

People's Ideas...

-must keep a supermarket in order for the shopping area to be successful

#### 19.9 Improve Pedestrian Comfort and Safety

*Approved*

It should be easier and safer for pedestrians to cross Arbutus and it should be more enjoyable to walk and bike along routes to and from the shopping centre.

*Percent Agree 77/80*

People's Ideas...

-enhance Yew as the north/south pedestrian corridor connecting the shopping centre with Ravine Park, Prince of Wales Park, and Prince of Wales Secondary

-install a pedestrian signal at Arbutus and the internal east/west street envisioned for Arbutus Village

-focus on walkways and Bikeways to the shopping centre – there are many great quiet ways to walk to the centre

-create a Bikeway from Kitsilano to Kerrisdale linking shopping areas including Arbutus Village

-co-ordinate all push lights to have the same timing (e.g. pedestrian lights take too long to change at Arbutus and Nanton) – if not it leads to unsafe jay walking

#### 19.10 Street Trees and Greening

*Approved*

Street trees should be planted on Arbutus and along any newly created internal shopping street in Arbutus Village.

*Percent Agree 82/84*

People's Ideas...

-create and maintain green space with co-operation between merchants, business associations, and residents

-keep and/or create green space in any new development

#### 19.11 Provide Weather Protection

*Approved*

There should be continuous weather protection at the shopping centre in the form of canopies or awnings.

*Percent Agree 61/58*

People's Ideas...

-awnings should be aesthetically pleasing and should extend over the sidewalk, so as to not drip on pedestrians

#### 19.12 Create a More Attractive Area

*Approved*

The appearance of the shopping area should be improved through the efforts of the developer, tenants, private business, and the City (e.g. create outdoor patios, attractive landscaping, banners, special lighting, bike racks, public notice boards, public art, special paving, drinking fountains).

*Percent Agree 74/73*

People's Ideas...

- create an old town feel to the new development
- should look something like the Ambleside Shopping Street in West Vancouver

#### 19.13 Provide Convenient Parking

*Approved*

Short-term customer parking, including curbside parking, should continue to be available to support local businesses and reduce impacts of parking on local streets adjacent to the shopping centre.

*Percent Agree 82/81*

People's Ideas...

- address concerns about underground parking – theft, seniors safety, discouraging shoppers
- ensure that there is still ample above-ground parking

#### 19.14 Address Crime and Nuisance Behavior

*Approved*

Crime and nuisance behaviour such as graffiti and break-ins at the shopping centre should be addressed through community-based prevention and more enforcement by police and security people.

*Percent Agree 83/85*

People's Ideas...

- involve artists on an art wall – like the IGA wall at Dunbar and 41st
- increase community effort in dealing with vandalism and theft (there are a lot of break-ins in the mall area)
- need more police patrols and regular police presence in the area
- address safety concerns in Arbutus Village Linear Park (e.g. drug dealing, etc.)

### 20. Small Local Shopping Areas

#### 20.1 Enhance Important Local Shopping Areas

*Approved*

33rd and MacKenzie, 16th and Macdonald, and Macdonald and Alamein should be enhanced as local shopping areas and important community places. Improvements should be made to the public realm (e.g. more street trees, planted corner bulges, decorative pavers), and more commercial activity encouraged within the boundaries of the existing local shopping area (e.g. on commercially-zoned lots flanking the arterial street, or within 'live/work' types of housing units).

*Percent Agree 70/74*

People's Ideas...

- retain small scale of shops at MacKenzie and 33rd
- improve the look of the shopping area at 16th and Macdonald

## 20.2 Expand 16th and Macdonald Local Shopping Area

*Approved*

Consider a limited expansion (roughly one block) of the 16th and Macdonald local shopping area, allowing commercial activity to take place on the south side of 16th as far east as Trafalgar.

*Percent Agree 59/55*

People's Ideas...

- extend 16th and Macdonald commercial area 1 or 2 blocks
- need commercial activity to fill in gaps at 16th and Macdonald

## 20.3 Ensure Continuity of Shops and Services

*Approved*

In the local shopping areas, shops and services should be continuous along the ground floor of buildings. Ground floor frontage should not be interrupted by driveways, drive-throughs, parking lots, or building fronts and uses that are not 'pedestrian friendly'.

*Percent Agree 71/72*

## 20.4 Provide a Range of Shops and Services

*Approved*

There should continue to be a wide range of local-serving shops and services in the local shopping areas.

*Percent Agree 73/76*

## 20.5 Discourage Additional Auto-oriented Services

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

Additional auto-oriented services (e.g. gas stations, repair shops, etc.) should be discouraged in the local shopping areas.

*Percent Agree 53/49*

*Comment: This Direction did receive majority support in the general survey, but did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In the random survey, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (1.9 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion in further planning.*

## 20.6 Improve Pedestrian Safety

*Approved*

It should be easier and safer for pedestrians to cross major streets within the local shopping areas.

*Percent Agree 77/78*

People's Ideas...

- improve pedestrian and cyclist safety at 16th and Trafalgar by installing a pedestrian/cyclist signal

## 20.7 Control Sidewalk Merchandise

*Approved*

Merchandise displays and sandwich boards on the sidewalk add vitality and interest to the street, but the amount of sidewalk they take up should be limited. They should leave enough room for pedestrians (including wheelchairs and strollers) to pass each other, and should leave more sidewalk space at bus stops and crosswalks where more people gather. The limit should be enforced.

*Percent Agree 66/66*

## 20.8 Provide Weather Protection

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

There should be continuous weather protection for shoppers in the form of canopies or awnings.

*Percent Agree 55/50*

*Comment: This Direction did receive majority support in the general survey, but did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In the random survey, the Direction received substantially more agree votes than disagree votes (3.5 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion in further planning.*

## 20.9 Protect and Enhance Street Trees

*Approved*

The existing street trees contribute to the pleasant character of the street. These trees should be kept and maintained wherever possible. Their impact should be enhanced by adding trees where they are missing as well as in new corner bulges and on side streets.

*Percent Agree 80/83*

People's Ideas...

-plant street trees on the boulevards along Macdonald at Alamein

## 20.10 Create a More Attractive Area

*Approved*

The appearance of the shopping areas should be improved through efforts of private businesses and the City (e.g. create outdoor patios, attractive landscaping, banners, special lighting, bike racks, public notice boards, public art, special paving, drinking fountains).

*Percent Agree 76/75*

People's Ideas...

-‘connect’ the small local shopping areas via similar public realm treatments (e.g. highlight entry to local shopping area with large corner bulges and decorative pavers creating a ‘square’)

-need more pedestrian friendly landscaping, outdoor seating/patios in commercial areas

-retain the street market atmosphere outside of Choices Market with the attractive merchandise display, hanging baskets, and seating benches

-retain the effective, handsome signage and awnings of Choices

20.11 Provide a Cleaner Place

*Approved*

Sidewalks, gutters, lanes, parking lots, storefronts, garbage areas, and loading bays should be kept cleaner and maintained better by both private businesses and the City.

*Percent Agree 83/77*

20.12 Provide Convenient Parking

*Approved*

Short-term customer parking, including curbside parking, should be available to support local businesses and reduce impacts of parking on local streets adjacent to the local shopping areas.

*Percent Agree 79/79*

20.13 Add Some New Housing at MacKenzie and 33rd, 16th and Macdonald, and Macdonald and Alamein

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

Very limited opportunities for more housing should be considered on a few lots immediately adjacent to the local shopping areas at MacKenzie and 33rd, 16th and Macdonald, and Macdonald and Alamein. Housing types could include row houses and duplexes.

*Percent Agree 51/55*

*Comment: This Direction did receive majority support in the general survey, but was .5% short of the required support in the random survey to be classified as Approved (54.5%). In the random survey, the Direction received substantially more agree votes than disagree votes (2.9 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion in further planning.*

21. 'Big Box' Stores and Shopping Malls

21.1 Restrict Additional Major Malls or 'Big Box' Stores

*Approved*

Additional major shopping malls, and 'big box' stores which sell groceries, clothing, and other daily needs, should not be permitted to locate where they will harm the economic health of existing shopping areas in ARKS.

*Percent Agree 61/61*

21.2 Permit Specialty 'Big Box' Stores

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

Some smaller specialty 'big box' outlets (e.g. electronics, toys, pets) might act as positive anchors or attractions if they are located in existing shopping areas in ARKS. They should be considered if they are designed to fit in properly.

*Percent Agree 46/47*

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in either the general or random surveys. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.2 to 1, random survey: 1.2 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion in further planning.*

## **22. Business Associations or BIAs**

### **22.1 Encourage Business Associations or BIAs**

*Approved*

Business Associations and BIAs should be encouraged, with organizational assistance from the City. They should be involved, together with residents, in promoting shopping in their areas and organizing services and activities to attract shoppers.

*Percent Agree 69/70*

## **23. Other Small Shopping Areas Zoned C-1**

### **23.1 Enhance Local Shopping Areas**

*Approved*

The C-1 zoned shopping areas at 16th and Arbutus, 41st and Carnarvon, 41st and Granville, 41st and Oak, 49th and Oak, and 57th and East Boulevard should be enhanced as local shopping areas.

*Percent Agree 64/63*

People's Ideas...

-need a beautification program for 41st and Granville

### **23.2 Retain Commercial Uses on C-1 Zoned Sites**

*Approved*

The City should retain commercial uses on C-1 zoned sites – and not permit all-residential development – at 16th and Arbutus, 41st and Carnarvon, 41st and Granville, 41st and Oak, 49th and Oak, and 57th and East Boulevard.

*Percent Agree 63/62*

## PARKS, STREETS, LANES, AND PUBLIC PLACES

### 24. Parks, Streets, Lanes, and Views

#### 24.1 Develop More Usable Parks and School Grounds

*Approved*

Park design, appearance and uses should be more varied in order to serve a variety of ages and a more diverse population. School grounds should also be attractive, usable community spaces.

*Percent Agree 77/78*

People's Ideas...

- build a playground feature in Devonshire Park in Shaughnessy
- provide a designated skateboard park space (locate it in Prince of Wales Park)
- locate an arboretum/info kiosk identifying all the trees in Crescent Park; promote certain trees associated with certain parks
- provide a special area in parks to allow activities for children or neighbours to gather and meet: rain shelters, 'pagodas', or picnic areas
- provide more non-commercial activities including chess, trails, skate park, public art and history markers, water fountains, walking paths with places to sit
- encourage greening and beautification of parks with plantings, more trees, and arboretums
- provide play structures for younger and older kids in parks (e.g. taller monkey bars and bigger rings)
- provide playground amenities like they had in old playgrounds (e.g. trolleys, tire swings, teeter totters, etc.)

#### 24.2 Provide More Park and Public Open Space in Poorly-served Areas

*Approved*

There should be more parks and other open spaces available to the public in poorly-served areas of ARKS.

*Percent Agree 68/66*

People's Ideas...

- provide more green space or play areas for children between 41st and 57th, Arbutus and Granville
- have one day a month where the golf course is open to the public as a park
- have free admission to VanDusen Gardens one day a month

#### 24.3 Incorporate Ravine Park into a Neighbourhood Greenway

*Approved*

Ravine Park should be incorporated into a new Neighbourhood Greenway connecting Kerrisdale Village with Arbutus Shopping Centre.

*Percent Agree 69/68*

People's Ideas...

- improve the lighting in Ravine Park to make it safe at night
- allow for a Greenway/walkway between Kerrisdale Village and Arbutus Shopping Centre using the Ravine Park trail



#### 24.4 Improve Safety in and around Parks

*Approved*

Safety in and around parks should be improved. Park use, design, and maintenance should take safety further into account.

*Percent Agree 81/82*

People's Ideas...

- set back play areas further from street
- provide more police monitoring for parks and school grounds
- provide more lighting for sports fields
- fill in all the holes in parks for safety of children (e.g. Maple Grove and Trafalgar Parks)

#### 24.5 Create More Community Gardens

*Approved*

Provide more opportunities for the creation of community gardens. Existing community gardens should be preserved and enhanced.

*Percent Agree 70/72*

People's Ideas...

- encourage community gardens on school grounds for educational and aesthetic purposes
- provide more grants for creating and maintaining community gardens
- negotiate with all major developments for park and community garden space

#### 24.6 Encourage Community Involvement in Parks

*Approved*

Community involvement in the design and stewardship of parks should be encouraged.

*Percent Agree 71/74*

People's Ideas:

- provide planting opportunities with community management
- encourage garden clubs for community gardens

#### 24.7 Improve Maintenance of Parks

*Approved*

Park grounds, structures, and facilities should be better maintained.

*Percent Agree 67/64*

People's Ideas...

- need to better maintain community gardens (e.g. fix broken fences and dilapidated buildings)
- restore the old water fountain in Crescent Park

#### 24.8 Ban Smoking in Public Places

*Approved*

School grounds, playgrounds and some public places within neighbourhood centres should be designated as non-smoking areas.

*Percent Agree 73/71*

People's Ideas...

- stop kids from smoking in front of Magee
- make Kerrisdale shopping area a 'no smoking' area

#### 24.9 Share Parks and Public Places with Dogs

*Approved*

Parks should be shared between people with dogs and those without dogs, provided that parks remain safe and tidy for all park users.

*Percent Agree 58/62*

People's Ideas...

- strictly observe regulations regarding control over dogs
- require all dogs to be licensed and dog owners trained
- provide a training program for owners about tidiness and safety

#### 24.10 Remove Dog Waste

*Approved*

More should be done to ensure dog owners clean up after their dogs and keep their pets under control.

*Percent Agree 85/89*

People's Ideas...

- have the dog owners' association produce educational material on responsible removal of dog waste
- provide bags for dog owners in parks

#### 24.11 Provide More Public Art

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

There should be more public art in parks, schools, and other public spaces like the community centre.

*Percent Agree 56/52*

People's Ideas...

- create a bronze sculpture at the community centre
- promote art work that reflects the history and heritage of the community
- provide public art on 41st
- have public art competitions with schools, ethnic groups, etc.
- encourage murals on blank building walls in locations like parking areas, schools, and the Kerrisdale Community Centre
- create two public art display spaces by bulging East Boulevard at 41st
- position public art to mask construction sites
- use public art in commercial lanes to hide unsightly garbage areas

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#### 24.12 Greening and Beautifying Public Streets

*Approved*

Streets should continue to be pleasant green links that connect the neighbourhood by:

- protecting existing boulevards and street trees, and planting new trees wherever possible
- encouraging residents to extend private gardening into the space between the sidewalk and the curb
- encouraging residents to landscape traffic calming devices (i.e. traffic circles and corner bulges) through the 'Green Streets' program
- providing amenities like benches for people to socialize and rest before walking further.

*Percent Agree 84/87*

People's Ideas...

- locate benches and planted areas on King Edward Boulevard and other boulevards and medians
- have a 'Welcome to Kerrisdale' sign instead of the billboard on Arbutus at 37th
- provide more education about opportunities to plant gardens, boulevards, traffic circles, etc.
- have public displays highlighting the winners of traffic circle/bulge garden competitions in public areas
- get rid of overhead wires

#### 24.13 Greening Lanes

*Approved*

Lanes in ARKS can be unattractive and not environmentally friendly. There should be alternatives such as country lanes, gravel lanes, etc. that allow for more greenery and more permeability for rain water. A range of alternatives should be offered to homeowners when they vote on lane improvements.

*Percent Agree 74/76*

People's Ideas...

- publicize the country lanes program and have the City provide incentives for country lanes
- provide planted areas around parking and garbage areas
- design lanes to encourage foot traffic
- look at alternatives for lane maintenance (e.g. have local groups volunteer)

#### 24.14 Preserve Public Views

*Approved*

Views from public places of the water, North Shore mountains, downtown Vancouver, and other panoramas should be protected. Viewpoints should be made more enjoyable.

*Percent Agree 88/90*

People's Ideas...

- preserve the view from Quilchena Park and along the Ridge
- maintain views to the water and mountains
- take into account public views and topography when subdividing land
- promote and build public 'view spots'

## 25. Public Buildings

### 25.1 Retain Existing Public Buildings

*Approved*

Existing major public buildings with heritage character should be retained and well maintained, with renovations and additions compatible with the existing building's style.

*Percent Agree 82/79*

People's Ideas...

- complete seismic upgrades of existing schools
- replace portables with good additions
- create a strong building identity for the Kerrisdale Community Centre and prominent entrance

### 25.2 Develop Well-designed Public Buildings

*Approved*

New public buildings should be well designed and well maintained. Landscaping should be included in all public buildings and site designs.

*Percent Agree 87/90*

People's Ideas...

- make schools less institutional in design
- have new buildings 'fit in' with surrounding residential character

## ENVIRONMENT

### 26. Environment

#### 26.1 Take Action to Reduce Waste, and Increase Recycling and Composting

*Approved*

Individuals and businesses (with City support) should work to decrease the amount of waste going into the landfill. These efforts should include:

- purchasing or manufacturing products with minimal packaging and made from recycled materials
- recycling and reusing more products
- composting.

*Percent Agree 89/88*

People's Ideas...

- use fewer disposal items (e.g. bring your own dishes, chopsticks and mugs to restaurants or take out, use recyclable lunch boxes, use cloth shopping bags instead of plastic bags)

#### 26.2 Take Action to Conserve Water and Energy

*Approved*

Individuals and businesses (with City support) should act to conserve water and energy. These efforts should include:

- upgrading energy and water fixtures
- planting drought tolerant plants
- reducing daily water and energy use.

*Percent Agree 87/87*

People's Ideas...

- obey water restrictions, reduce sprinkling and car washing, limit daily shower times
- use landscaping that doesn't need a lot of water
- divert and collect rainwater and recycle used domestic water
- install energy efficient lights, water conserving taps and ½ flush toilets
- reduce the use of electricity by using less air conditioning, electric fans or by using screen doors, hanging clothes to dry vs. using dryer, turning off the computer when not in use
- buy small, light, and fuel efficient cars, and get rid of any second car

#### 26.3 Clean Up the Community

*Approved*

The community and the City should work together to keep ARKS clean and litter free. These efforts should include:

- encouraging and supporting co-operative community clean-up efforts
- enforcing by-laws and penalties when people and businesses fail to comply with City maintenance standards
- adding more waste disposal/recycling/dog waste units that are more secure and visually appealing in strategic locations
- improving access to information about the services and programs offered by the City.

*Percent Agree 94/94*

People's Ideas...

- encourage the community to work together to monitor problem areas and participate in community upkeep initiatives
- enforce fines on people who pollute in public places (e.g. people who don't pick up after their pets) and penalize businesses and store owners that don't keep their sidewalks and storefronts clean and maintain their garbage bins properly
- provide additional and/or larger garbage containers at bus shelters at 49th and Arbutus, at 41st and West Boulevard, along East Boulevard, and on school grounds
- need more recycling containers at schools and in shopping areas
- provide multi-language environmental educational material, recycling, and garbage information

#### 26.4 Expand Recycling and Composting

*Approved*

The community and the City should continue to identify ways to expand recycling and composting programs, taking care that containers are pest resistant. These efforts should include:

- initiating partnerships with other agencies and businesses to increase recycling and composting
- expanding the recycling program to include all plastics, wax boxes, electronic materials, batteries, tires, and other materials
- encouraging composting by businesses like grocery stores and restaurants.

*Percent Agree 88/84*

People's Ideas...

- pickup apartment yard waste
- use recyclable lunch boxes, less wrapping, and provide composting opportunities in school cafeterias

#### 26.5 Collect and Recycle Hard-to-dispose-of Items

*Approved*

The community and the City should explore opportunities for residents to safely and easily discard and/or recycle hard-to-dispose-of items such as household hazardous wastes and bulky household items.

*Percent Agree 90/90*

People's Ideas...

- have community sites that deal with compost, hazardous materials, and renovation materials
- pick up and recycle medium/large items twice a year and alert the public to the potential for reuse

#### 26.6 Promote Good Environmental Practices

*Approved*

The community and the City should work together to promote good environmental practices through education and awareness. These efforts should include:

- encouraging publicity campaigns and demonstration displays
- promoting environmental awards and workshops
- establishing an education centre promoting sustainable practices.

*Percent Agree 81/79*

People's Ideas...

- have the City prepare promotional materials such as signs and newsletters, and work with the media, schools, and community centres to promote good environmental practices
- talk and promote awareness to younger kids to conserve water and resources (e.g. encourage school field trips to the landfill and make environmental classes in schools mandatory)
- have the City host a city-wide competition for the best environmentally-friendly gardens and lanes

## 26.7 Encourage Sustainable Development

*Approved*

The community and the City should encourage all new development, including renovations and additions, to adopt more sustainable practices and 'green strategies' such as storm water management, energy and water use reduction, alternative energy sources, and water recycling.

*Percent Agree 73/77*

People's Ideas...

- promote and develop incentives, subsidies, tax cuts, or loans for individuals who use energy saving products and developers who use sustainable development practices such as integrating solar power, dual flush toilets, green roofs
- insulate houses and windows, and use building materials that retain heat in the winter and keep cool in the summer
- ban the use of herbicides and pesticides on lawns and gardens

## 26.8 Grow More Food Locally

*Approved*

The community and the City should encourage more food to be grown and distributed locally, including the development of more individual and community gardens, and the planting of fruit trees.

*Percent Agree 62/61*

People's Ideas...

- support locally grown foods through school lunch programs
- organize students to participate in community gardens, establish community gardens along streets and on school property
- choose local products and encourage people to eat organic products

## 26.9 Storm Water Runoff

*Approved*

The community and the City should work together to reduce storm water runoff. These efforts should include:

- promoting 'green lanes' (porous pavers, gravel, or grass instead of asphalt)
- removing restrictions on gray water reuse
- limiting the amount of impervious surfaces in new development.

*Percent Agree 77/80*

People's Ideas...

- provide neighbourhood rain water reservoirs and roof catchments to cistern water for gardening
- allow less paving of front lawns
- create gardens on curbside areas to filter storm water before it goes into the sewage system
- design lanes to be both porous and allow for pick-up of broken glass

## 26.10 Reduce Urban Noise

*Approved*

The community and the City should explore ways to further reduce urban noise from sources like loud music, leaf blowers, and lawnmowers, etc. This could include a review of existing by-laws and more enforcement.

*Percent Agree 77/78*

People's Ideas...

- require sound reduction measures for all buses and heavy equipment
- encourage the use of manual mowers
- enforce Noise By-law on people who play stereos too loud

## 26.11 Working With Other Levels of Government

*Approved*

The City should provide leadership and partner with the regional, provincial, and federal government to enhance the environment, including efforts such as:

- adopting additional measures to increase water and energy conservation
- adopting measures to improve air quality including tougher emissions standards
- encouraging the development and use of alternative energy sources
- working with Airport Authority to uphold its noise control and air quality commitments.

*Percent Agree 81/78*

People's Ideas...

- tax companies that pollute the environment or create environmentally unfriendly products
- ban non-recyclable containers or impose a surcharge on all non-recyclable plastics
- have the City continue to work with other agencies such as BC Hydro and Translink to improve energy consumption and transit options
- increase funding and establish tax cuts and incentives to develop and use alternative environmental technologies such as electric vehicles
- monitor and work with government authorities to reduce air plane noise



**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN DECISION MAKING**

**27. Community Involvement in Decision Making**

**27.1 Community Involvement in Decision Making**

*Approved*

ARKS residents should have greater, and more timely, input into decision making about changes in their community on matters ranging from major initiatives like the planning of the Arbutus Corridor or the provision of facilities and services, to recurring decisions relating to street and traffic changes or the review of development proposals.

*Percent Agree 89/85*

## **Rezoning Policy Following the Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shaugnessy Community Vision**

### **1. About Zoning in General**

#### **1.1 How Zoning Works**

The Zoning and Development Bylaw is the main way the City controls development - new buildings, additions to existing buildings, or changes in the use of buildings and land.

There are different zoning districts, labelled by letters and numbers. For example RS-1 covers most of Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shaugnessy's single family areas and C-2 zones cover the larger shopping areas. Every lot in a zoning district is governed by the same regulations and guidelines. The regulations are contained in a District Schedule. They control the kind of activities (uses) that may take place, such as office, retail, dwelling, or manufacturing. District Schedules also control various quantitative aspects of the development including the maximum height of buildings, the position of building on the lot (yards and setbacks), the amount of total development (floorspace or density), and the amount of parking required.

In addition to the District Schedule with its regulations, some zones also have design review, using Design Guidelines. Design review looks at the more qualitative factors such as style or character, the materials used, or the landscaping. Legally, districts with design review are structured to have two types of projects: those that may go ahead without design review (often called 'outright') and those that are subject to design review (often called 'conditional' or 'discretionary') because they receive additional density, or approval of a conditional use, in return for meeting the design guidelines.

Another type of district is the CD-1 or Comprehensive Development district. Many of these are tailored to a specific site, such as Arbutus Village. Other CD zones cover a broad area, such as First Shaughnessy or the Downtown. This tool is used where a typical District Schedule and Guidelines approach is not suitable.

#### **1.2 How Zoning is Changed**

Anyone may apply to alter the zoning - property owner, resident, or the Director of Planning. However, only City Council may actually adopt or change zoning or guidelines. Staff analyze and process applications and then make recommendations to City Council. During processing there is always public notification and some consultation. A formal Public Hearing is always required at the end of the rezoning process before City Council decides.

Because rezoning is time-consuming and expensive, City staff usually advise potential applicants before they make an application whether or not staff would 'consider' the rezoning (that is, fully process it), rather than quickly reporting it to Council with a recommendation to refuse the application. Staff give this advice based on existing City plans and policies, including Community Visions.

**2. Rezoning Under the Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shaugnessy Community Vision**

Making some of the Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shaugnessy Vision Directions happen will require rezoning or amendments to zoning. For most, additional area planning will be required before any zoning changes would be considered, and individual rezonings would not be considered prior to this planning (section 2.2 below). However, there are some cases where individual rezoning could be considered without additional area planning (section 2.1 below). Note that ‘considered’ refers to being taken into the system for processing, it does not necessarily mean that the applications will receive support from staff or approval from City Council.

**2.1 Additional Area Planning Not Required Before Rezoning**

Rezoning applications for the types of projects listed below could be considered without additional area planning because they further adopted city-wide policies, would further an adopted Vision Direction, or are normal practice in the public interest. Most are ‘site specific’ rezonings on individual sites. There would be community consultation in each case. In considering these rezonings, staff would look at not only the needs of the project but also how it relates to its existing surroundings, and to the future of the area as described in the Community Vision.

**Table 2.1 Additional Area Planning Not Required Before Rezoning**

<b>Type of Project that Could be Considered for Site Specific Rezoning</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<p><b>Heritage Retention Projects</b> - involving retention of buildings on the Vancouver Heritage Register (also Vision Direction 13.1)</p>	<p>City-wide policy to encourage retention of heritage resources</p>
<p><b>Social or Affordable Housing Projects</b> -non-profit projects, housing agreement projects, special needs residential facilities (SNRFs)</p> <p>Note on definitions Housing agreement: a contract between the City and developer to guarantee some of the housing units as rental or low income, etc. SNRFs: housing and support services for people with special needs including the elderly, children in care, the mentally or physically handicapped, people with substance abuse problems, etc.</p>	<p>City-wide policy to encourage housing for lower income and special needs residents</p>
<p><b>Housing Demonstration Projects (HDP)</b> -in order to be considered as an HDP, a project ‘must demonstrate a new housing form in the neighbourhood, improved affordability, and a degree of neighbourhood support; any increase in land value beyond the normal profit allowed by the City’s standard bonussing process, must be converted into improved affordability’ (January 3, 1996 City Council report)</p> <p>-in addition, in Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shaugnessy, any HDP proposals would need to conform to Vision Directions about type, location, scale, etc.</p>	<p>City-wide policy to permit demonstration of new housing types</p>
<p><b>Institutional uses</b> Projects focusing on expansion, downsizing, or reuse of publicly owned or non-profit institutional, cultural, recreational, utility, or public authority uses</p>	<p>Normal City practice</p>
<p><b>Housekeeping amendments; zoning text amendments</b> - initiated by the Director of Planning to update, correct, or make minor revisions to District Schedules or Guidelines</p>	<p>Normal City practice</p>



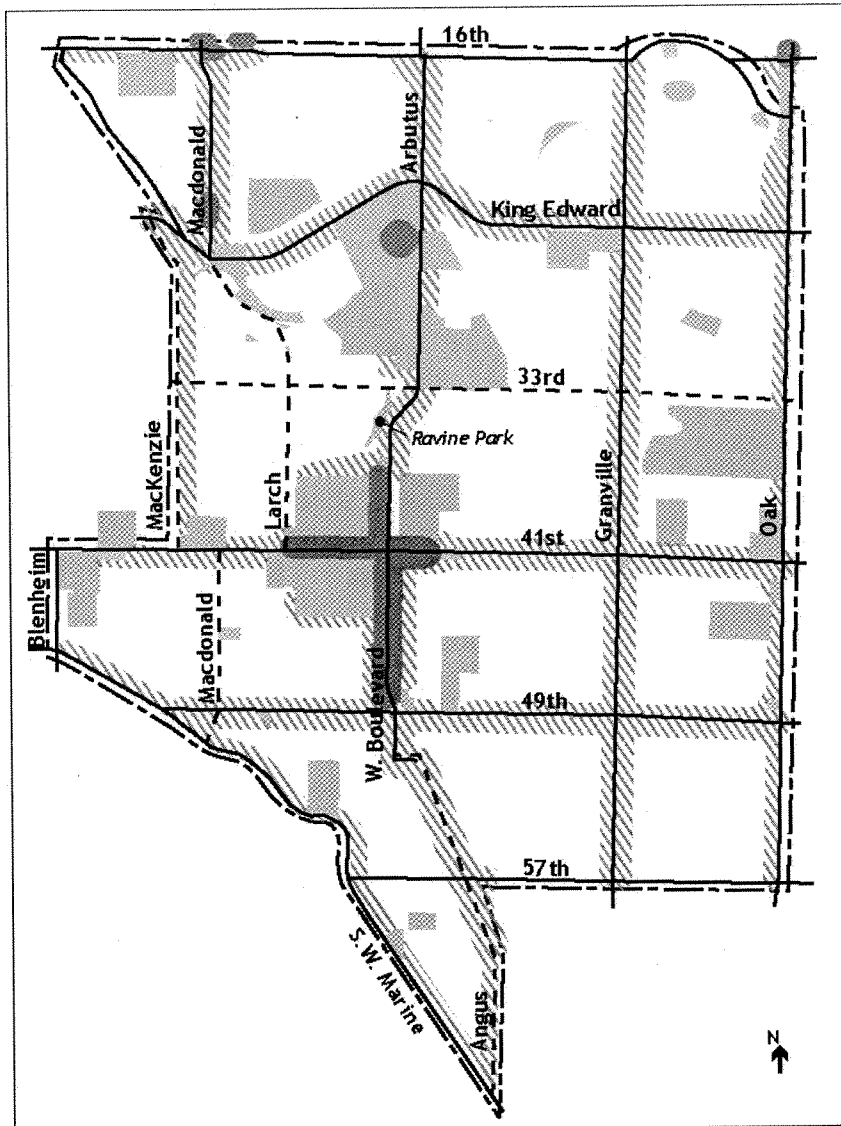
**Table 2.2: Additional Planning Required Before Rezoning**

Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shaugnessy Vision Direction	Possible types of additional planning study
<b>Design of New Single Family Homes</b> 12.1 Design of New Single Family Houses	Mini-program to make design review available in interested areas
12.2 Public Involvement in the Review of New Single Family House Design	More detailed planning and consultation involving single family zoning
<b>Older Character Buildings and Heritage</b> 13.3 Retaining Other Character Buildings	Specific planning study on feasibility of this in ARKS and other Vision areas supporting similar Directions
13.4 Multiple Conversion Dwellings (MCDs)	More detailed planning for specific areas of Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shaugnessy
<b>Possible New Housing Locations</b> 16.1 New Housing Types on Large Lots 16.5 New Housing Types On or Near Arterial Roads 16.6 New Housing Types Near Shopping Areas	More detailed planning for specific areas of Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shaugnessy
Several Directions classified as ‘Uncertain’ identify housing locations (16.2 & 16.3) or housing types (15.1, 15.2, 15.3, 15.5, 15.6, 15.7) which had more community support than opposition and could be the subject of more community discussion	Detailed local planning and consultation of housing options in a City initiated process
<b>Shopping Areas</b> 20.2 Expand 16 <sup>th</sup> and Macdonald Local Shopping Area	Expand commercial/mixed-use zoning between Macdonald and Trafalgar (south side)
Note that Direction 19.3, classified as ‘Uncertain’, considers a shopping area expansion within Arbutus Village. As it had more community support than opposition it could be the subject of more community discussion.	More detailed planning for the Arbutus Village area in Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shaugnessy
16.6 New Housing Near Shopping Areas	More detailed planning for specific areas in Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shaugnessy
Several Directions classified as ‘Uncertain’ identify housing locations near shopping areas (18.7, 19.2, 20.13) which had more community support than opposition and could be the subject of more community discussion	Detailed local planning and consultation of housing options in a City initiated process, or site-specific rezoning for Arbutus Village (see Table 2.1 - New Neighbourhood Centre at Arbutus Village)

### 2.3 Other

The sections above provide guidance for most rezoning inquiries. However, there may be rare sites for which development under the existing zoning would involve the loss of features which the community, in its Vision, views as assets. The prime example is trees and landscaping, but in some cases buildings or structures may also be valued (but not qualify as heritage). In these cases, rezoning that would maintain the assets may be considered. Further, this will apply only to large sites that were in single ownership at the time of the Vision adoption. Finally, achieving Vision Directions would remain the focus while considering the rezoning.

ARKS Community Vision Highlights



- Vision Area Boundary
- Single family areas: maintain most areas; consider design review; retain heritage and character buildings
- ▨ New housing types near shopping areas, and on or near arterial roads
- ALSO:  
Housing: new housing types and multiple conversion dwellings on large lots
- Community Services and Facilities: more programs for seniors and youth; expand and upgrade recreation and library facilities
- Safety & Crime Prevention: more individual, community and City effort; address youth crime and expand Community Policing Centre
- Arterial streets: improve for pedestrians, cyclists, and residents
- Secondary arterials: reclassified as neighbourhood collectors
- ▩ Arbutus Shopping Centre: create a new neighbourhood centre (Arbutus Village) Kerrisdale Village, 33rd and MacKenzie, 16th and Macdonald, and Macdonald and Alamein enhance as shopping areas - more attractive, cleaner and greener
- ▨ Parks and school grounds: improve for more diverse activities and enhanced safety; incorporate Ravine Park into a Neighbourhood Greenway
- ▨ Other zones

Note: boundaries approximate

# **RPSC** *Riley Park/South Cumbe* **community VISIONS**

**Community Vision Draft Directions**  
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## Vision Directions

The RPSC Choices Survey asked people to respond to draft Directions on a range from Strongly Agree to Strongly Disagree. Each Direction has been classified as **Approved**, **Not Approved (Uncertain)**, or **Not Supported** based on community response in the Choices Survey. This classification is shown above each Vision Direction. Noted below each Vision Direction is the percentage agreement it received in the general and random surveys (complete statistics and survey methodology are available in a separate publication, "Report on the General and Random Surveys: Riley Park/South Cambie").

**Approved Directions:** Most Directions received enough agreement to be classified as 'Approved'. These Directions were supported not only by 50% or more of the general survey respondents but also by at least 55% of the random survey respondents (a level that ensures support for the Direction by a majority of these respondents, taking into account the plus or minus 5% sampling error of the random survey). When approved by City Council these Directions become official City policy.

**Not Approved (Uncertain) Directions:** When a Direction did not receive enough support to be classified as 'Approved' but the agree votes outweighed disagree votes in either the general or random surveys, the Direction is listed as 'Not Approved (Uncertain)'. Many of these Directions were supported by a majority of the general survey respondents and a majority of votes in the random survey (but below the 55% required to ensure community support given the sampling error of the random survey). These Directions will not be adopted by City Council and although they are not City policy they remain on the table for further community discussion in subsequent planning processes. For these Directions, comments on their future role is provided.

**Not Supported Directions:** When a Direction received more disagree than agree votes in either the general or the random survey it is classified as 'Not Supported'. These Directions will not be adopted by City Council and they will not be brought forward for consideration in future planning processes.

## People's Ideas

For most Directions, specific ideas generated at the community meetings and workshops are listed here. They are for information and future reference but are not part of the formally approved Directions.

**Note:** Percentages are rounded-up when .5 or greater (e.g., 54.5% is rounded-up to 55%). However, rounding-up will not change the classification of a Direction (e.g., from 'Not Approved' to 'Approved').

## TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION

### 1. Primary Arterials

King Edward, 41<sup>st</sup>, Oak, Cambie and Main

#### 1.1 Improve Conditions and Safety on King Edward, 41st, Oak, Cambie, and Main

*Approved*

The conditions and safety for residents and pedestrians on King Edward, 41st, Oak, Cambie, and Main should be substantially improved by:

- adding and upgrading pedestrian crossings and sidewalks
- reducing the speed of traffic, more enforcement of traffic rules and regulations, and more education of motorists
- improving the safety of intersections
- reducing the adverse impacts of trucks on neighbourhoods
- adding more planting, landscaping, and public art.

*Percent Agree 83/83*

Peoples Ideas...

- introduce pedestrian priority areas in neighbourhood centres/shopping areas with special treatments like landscaping and additional traffic calming measures adjoining Cambie (16th to 21st and at 41st), Main and 33rd, and 16th and Oak
- make the King Edward and Oak intersection more pedestrian friendly
- use speed humps in side streets to discourage traffic trying to get around transit improvements along Main
- create more left-turn bays to reduce congestion on arterial streets, provided curb-to-curb width is maintained
- add left turn signal (advance) at 16th and Cambie to address traffic congestion once the old Produce City site is redeveloped
- install left turn signals at Main and King Edward
- add more planting/landscaping/public art along Main and grassed borders along 41st to reduce traffic noise and increase character and vitality (and hire community artists)

### 2. Secondary Arterials

16<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>/Midlothian/33<sup>rd</sup>, and Fraser

#### 2.1 Improve Conditions and Safety on 16th, 29th /Midlothian/33rd, and Fraser

*Approved*

The conditions and safety for residents and pedestrians on 16th, 29th/Midlothian/33rd, and Fraser should be substantially improved by:

- adding and upgrading pedestrian crossings and sidewalks
- reducing speed of traffic, more enforcement of traffic rules and regulations, and education of motorists
- improving the safety of intersections
- landscaping and plantings.

*Percent Agree 77/78*

Peoples Ideas...

- introduce pedestrian priority areas in neighbourhood centres/shopping areas with special treatments like landscaping and additional traffic calming measures (adjoining Fraser's business area)
- enforce speed limits on Midlothian, or narrow Midlothian by adding bike lanes and medians

- don't permit stopping on both sides of 33rd between Main and the lane west of Main to reduce congestion
- add crosswalks along Prince Edward at 33rd
- don't permit parking on 16th on Ontario to increase visibility for pedestrians and bicyclists
- add median refuges along Fraser (especially at 31st) to allow for safe crossing of the street
- conduct education campaign about patience and risk avoidance, stopping respectfully for pedestrians at intersections

### **3. Neighbourhood Collector** 33rd (Cambie to Oak)

#### **3.1 Change the Designation of 33rd (Cambie to Oak)**

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

33rd (Cambie to Oak) should be changed from a secondary arterial to neighbourhood collector to ensure this street is not widened or changed to increase the number of traffic lanes or the amount of car or truck traffic it carries.

*Percent Agree 54/54*

Peoples Ideas...

- install corner bulges on Heather at 33rd
- keep access to St. Vincent's Hospital site from 33<sup>rd</sup>

*Comment: This Direction did receive majority support in the general survey, but did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be considered approved. In the random survey, the Direction received substantially more agree votes than disagree votes (2.2 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classed as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion in further planning. An examination of the distribution of votes for both surveys found that respondents in the neighbourhood adjacent to the street (bounded by Oak, Cambie, King Edward and 41<sup>st</sup>) supported the Direction: 65% agree, 22% disagree.*

### **4. Traffic Calming**

#### **4.1 Use Traffic Calming Programs**

*Approved*

Residents should ensure they contact the City about any traffic problems experienced on local streets so that the City's traffic calming programs can be initiated.

*Percent Agree 69/71*

Peoples Ideas...

- need traffic calming on 19th between Laurel and Oak
- raise crosswalks at intersections of local streets with commercial streets to help slow traffic
- install crosswalks at 30th and James, 30th and Ontario, and 32nd and Prince Edward (to cross to and from the cemetery)
- close off some intersections of local streets to stop through traffic and create mini-parks
- use directional dividers to stop through traffic on Prince Edward (from King Edward to 33rd, and 33rd to 41st)
- need speed humps, stop signs or traffic circles on 28th at both John and Prince Edward
- need stop signs Main to Fraser, 16th to 25th

#### 4.2 Provide Traffic Management and Parking Plans for Riley/Hillcrest Parks

*Approved*

Traffic management and parking plans should be developed, in consultation with the community, to address impacts of new facilities in Riley/Hillcrest (i.e. the 2010 Winter Olympic curling venue, and the new Aquatic Centre).

*Percent Agree 72/76*

Peoples Ideas...

- need to have a traffic calming plan in place for the area between King Edward and 33rd, and between Main and Cambie, before the implementation of the Riley Hillcrest Park Master Plan
- need traffic calming on the residential streets surrounding the Olympic facilities
- improve the assessment of traffic impacts on the local community from major development proposals

#### 4.3 40 KM/H Speed Limit on Local Streets

*Approved*

The City should continue to encourage the province to move quickly to amend the Motor Vehicle Act to allow the City to reduce the speed limit on local streets to 40 km/h.

*Percent Agree 60/62*

### 5. Public Transit

#### 5.1 Use Bus Priority Measures

*Approved*

The efficiency and reliability of buses should be improved through the use of bus priority measures such as bus bulges, bus signal priority, and bus only lanes.

*Percent Agree 60/62*

Peoples Ideas...

- provide bus lanes on Main
- allow signal priority for buses at intersections to reduce delays on Main
- provide bus bulges and boarding spaces on transit-oriented streets where road space is available

#### 5.2 Expand Bus Routes and Increase Bus Frequency

*Approved*

The City should consult with TransLink to increase the number of bus routes, the frequency of buses and the hours of operation to enhance transit service by bringing the bus closer to homes and other destinations, and to decrease crowding on buses.

*Percent Agree 80/78*

People's Ideas...

- expand peak hours of service and Nite Owl service
- increase bus size or frequency to reduce overcrowding on Cambie, Main, Fraser, and King Edward
- provide more bus service East to West

### 5.3 Add Express Bus Routes

*Approved*

The City should consult with TransLink to add more express routes to facilitate transit service.

*Percent Agree 71/75*

People's Ideas...

- provide 'rapid bus' service on Main, Cambie, and King Edward with reduced number of bus stops and quicker connections between buses (especially rapid transit stations)

### 5.4 Provide Shuttle Buses

*Approved*

TransLink should use shuttle buses to provide more flexible local service to and from key destinations like Vancouver General Hospital, Riley and Douglas Park Community Centres, Nat Bailey Stadium, Riley Park Library, and local shopping areas.

*Percent Agree 57/63*

People's Ideas...

- use smaller community shuttles on fixed routes to improve services to local destinations and reduce car use
- provide shuttle buses along east-west routes like 16th and 33rd to service regular transit routes
- use flexible mini-buses to interface with arterial transit for elderly and disabled (who can't walk far or uphill)
- use 'taxi-buses' for flexible, demand-responsive service on Midlothian – good connection to Olympic facilities and new pool & RAV (rapid transit)

### 5.5 Improve the 'Transit Experience'

*Approved*

The 'transit experience' (the comfort, convenience, and sense of safety experienced by users as they walk to, wait for or ride the system) should be improved in order to attract riders, for example, with better weather protection, transit schedules and route maps, bike racks, trash cans, and public washrooms.

*Percent Agree 73/74*

People's Ideas...

- provide scheduling information about realistic connection times on buses or at stop signs
- post bus timetables and route maps at bus stops
- provide benches at NE corner of King Edward and Cambie
- provide a shelter and garbage can at NE corner of Main & 33rd
- need better storage on buses
- provide washrooms at major transit stops, and gain access by use of transit ticket or pass
- need weather protection, including sun protection

## 5.6 Address Crime, Safety, and Parking Impacts of RAV Stations

*Approved*

Crime, safety and parking impacts should be addressed during the design and operation of the new RAV stations in RPSC.

*Percent Agree 86/89*

People's Ideas...

- address concerns about the potential increase in crime, vandalism and garbage at stations
- need good security around stations i.e. Community Policing Centre and good lighting to deter crime, improve sense of safety for women and seniors
- provide resident only parking around stations
- need design to prevent ugly scary station atmosphere
- add stores and cafes to King Edward and Cambie stations to create busy and safe area at night
- make sure stations are well gated and have lots of staff on duty

## 5.7 Provide Connections to RAV Stations

*Approved*

Appropriate pedestrian, cyclist and bus connections should be provided in the design and operation of the new RAV stations in RPSC. Develop safe, strong linkages to allow for easy movement between stations and important destinations within RPSC (e.g. Queen Elizabeth Park, Riley and Douglas Park Community Centres, Women's and Children's Hospitals, Nat Bailey Stadium).

*Percent Agree 80/83*

People's Ideas...

- need strong connections to the stations for pedestrians, cyclists and buses to promote ridership on the system
- provide access for bicycles to RAV stations away from main roads, and have a good connection to bike routes

## 5.8 Address Impacts of RAV Construction on Local Residents and Businesses

*Approved*

Plans should be made to address potential impacts caused by construction of the RAV system, in consultation with local residents and businesses. These impacts could include street closures, additional car and truck traffic, road detours, noise and litter.

*Percent Agree 78/85*

## 5.9 Reflect Main Street's Unique Character in the Design of the 'Showcase' Initiative

*Approved*

The design of 'Showcase' transit and pedestrian improvements on Main in RPSC should respond to the unique character of the street and immediate neighbourhood (e.g. integrate public art by local artists, reflect history in bus shelter design).

*Percent Agree 72/75*

People's Ideas...

- ensure transit vs. 'great street' balance on Main — keep it pedestrian-friendly and visually appealing
- take advantage of 'Showcase' investment to design improvements that consider history and special characteristics of Main
- retain parking on Main — provides separation of pedestrians from heavy traffic

#### 5.10 Review Transit Fares & Promote Ridership

*Approved*

TransLink should consider ways to encourage greater ridership including special promotions and a review of its fare schedules.

*Percent Agree 76/77*

People's Ideas...

- provide yearly seniors/disabled passes
- have free transit for school-aged children — easy way to educate, helps low income families and increases ridership for mothers and fathers with kids
- create a reward 'point' system for frequent bus users that can be redeemed for discounts on merchandise
- introduce a U-pass program for highschool kids

#### 5.11 Increase Local Involvement in Transit Decisions

*Approved*

There should be more local involvement in transit decisions.

*Percent Agree 68/73*

People's Ideas...

- provide more local decision-making in transit, including resident involvement
- involvement is important for those who are transit dependent

### 6. Greenways and Bikeways

#### 6.1 Improve Greenway and Bikeway Routes

*Approved*

Greenways should link major walking destinations within and outside of RPSC and should provide safe crossings at major streets. While the Ontario and Ridgeway Greenways, and the Ontario, Midtown/Ridgeway, and Heather Bikeways are important community assets, improvements must still be made to encourage greater use of pedestrian and cyclist routes and facilities, and improve safety at intersections. Special attention should be made to link the Ontario Greenway with the construction of new facilities in Riley Park, Hillcrest Park and Nat Bailey Stadium. Provision of additional Greenways, Bikeways, and Bikelane routes should also be investigated.

*Percent Agree 78/81*

People's Ideas...

- improve crossing at 16th and Ontario
- provide traffic calming, improved lighting, seating and water fountains, especially on routes with hills
- provide facilities for transition from bike route to transit (e.g. King Edward to Rapid Bus)
- need a neighbourhood east-west Greenway or Bikeway route (e.g. along 18th or 20th)
- create a Bikelane along Midlothian to and from Riley Park

-create a Bikeway/Greenway along Prince Edward with additional traffic calming and signals for crossing the major streets

## 6.2 Initiate Neighbourhood Greenways

*Approved*

RPSC residents should initiate neighbourhood Greenways on frequently used pedestrian and biking routes within the area (shown on the map).

*Percent Agree 70/72*

People's Ideas...

- create a neighbourhood Greenway near the community centre and future Olympic facilities
- create a Jomar Lanot Memorial Greenway through Sir Charles Tupper Secondary School and along St. George

## 6.3 Provide General Walking and Biking Improvements

*Approved*

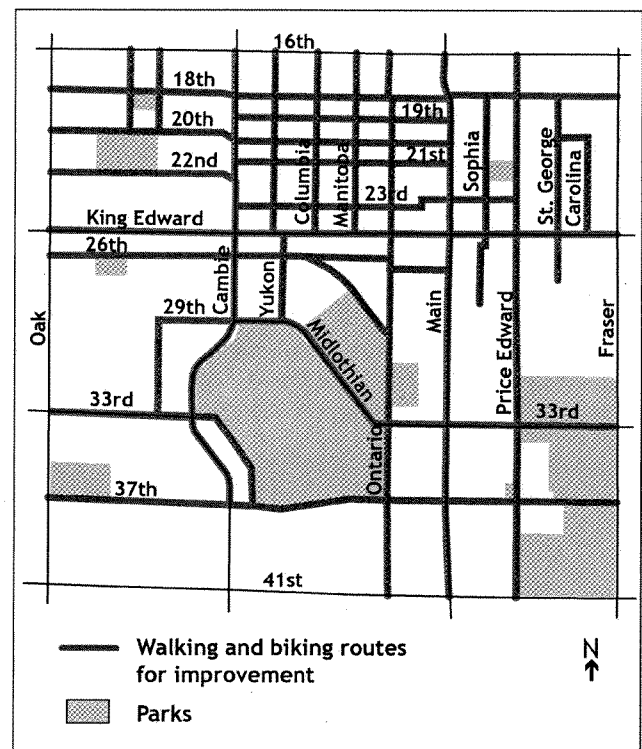
The frequently used pedestrian and biking routes within RPSC shown on the map should have additional greening and other types of improvements, including:

- installation of sidewalks on streets without sidewalks and improved maintenance of existing streets and sidewalks
- better pedestrian and bike crossings of arterials
- beautification of streets and sidewalks (e.g. tree-lined streets, landscaping, flowers, benches, special paving, lighting).

*Percent Agree 77/81*

People's Ideas...

- provide lights on Prince Edward at 33rd and 41st, on 28th at Fraser and Cambie, on 18th at Fraser
- provide routes and crossings that encourage shopping and getting to school by walking or biking
- create strong pedestrian connections from Youville Seniors Housing to St. Vincents and RCMP sites
- need pedestrian linkages, Greenways for Little Mountain Housing site



## 6.4 Provide Sidewalks

*Approved*

Sidewalks should be provided on all streets in RPSC.

*Percent Agree 68/71*

People's Ideas...

- provide sidewalks around Queen Elizabeth Park
- need sidewalk along Midlothian
- need sidewalk on 18th, 19th, and Laurel
- need sidewalk along Prince Edward to 41st



## 6.5 Repair Sidewalks

*Approved*

Sidewalks in RPSC should be repaired where necessary.

*Percent Agree 83/87*

People's Ideas...

- provide new sidewalks and street furnishings on Main
- Main sidewalks need to be repaved

## 6.6 Provide Bike Lockers and Racks

*Approved*

Bike lockers and racks should be more readily available in RPSC, particularly at major destinations and new RAV stations.

*Percent Agree 65/68*

People's Ideas...

- provide more bike racks in shopping areas
- provide more bike racks on buses
- provide secure bike lockers at new RAV stations
- provide more bike racks and locker rooms at schools

## 6.7 Develop Bikelanes along King Edward

*Approved*

Bikelanes along King Edward should be developed as part of a city-wide commuter network (this would be considered as part of a more detailed plan, to ensure that it is safe and that it fits in with the City's overall network of biking routes).

*Percent Agree 61/61*

## 6.8 Promote Biking with New Initiatives

*Approved*

New initiatives should be developed to promote bicycling in RPSC, especially at schools.

*Percent Agree 63/62*

People's Ideas...

- provide free community bikes at key destinations e.g. like the shopping cart rental system
- provide rewards/recognition for students that ride their bikes to school
- make some roads only available for bikes before and after school hours
- make biking 'cool' (e.g. bike and walk to school days).

## COMMUNITY SAFETY and SERVICES

### 7. Community Safety

#### 7.1 Individual Actions to Improve Safety

*Approved*

Individuals should take responsibility for reducing the likelihood they or their property will be affected by crime. Possible actions include making their homes more burglar resistant, getting to know their neighbours, and joining a Block Watch program.

*Percent Agree 79/84*

People's Ideas...

- keep yards clear of items of value including bottle returns
- display home security signage prominently to show residents are on the look out
- use alarms to deter burglars
- refuse to open door to sales people/solicitors
- promote an active community by walking and biking more to and from shopping areas

#### 7.2 Expand the Community Policing Centre and Community Policing

*Approved*

The Community Policing Centre (CPC) serving RPSC should expand outreach efforts to attract new members, and develop additional programs regarding crime prevention and education to strengthen its support in the community.

*Percent Agree 80/83*

People's Ideas...

- do outreach to school youth so that they become a part of the volunteer program in the CPC
- extend outreach to the entire RPSC community, promoting crime prevention & recruiting volunteers
- advertise Block Watch Program community-wide in all languages, including Cantonese, Mandarin, Tagalog, Punjabi and Vietnamese
- set up meetings for all Block Watch captains to share information
- hire a multicultural police officer to help residents
- send flyers to residents to let them know about the CPC's role/function and programs, and conduct workshops on crime prevention
- locate the CPC office inside a future RAV Station

#### 7.3 Community Actions to Reduce Crime & Nuisance Behavior

*Approved*

The community, including businesses, should work together with Community Policing Centres, the City, and the Police Department to address crime and nuisance behavior in the neighbourhood, through community-based crime prevention. Efforts should include building design reviews, improved lighting, encouraging activities in public places, wider use of crime prevention education and anti-graffiti programs, and strengthening community connections.

*Percent Agree 84/90*

People's Ideas...

- encourage more park and street activities, and have citizen patrols to act as 'safety watchers'
- address prostitution problems along Fraser
- address unsafe areas such as empty lots, dark narrow lanes, and hidden areas such as the car

wash on Main

- improve safety by having residents install motion activated lights and lower fences
- involve youth from schools and community centres to create murals on walls prone to graffiti, or set aside a designated wall/sidewalk for graffiti
- educate people about crime prevention techniques (e.g. how to avoid purse snatching and use anti-theft devices)
- host more community events to strengthen community connections (e.g. community safety forums)
- support or develop BIAs to help address safety concerns in the neighbourhood shopping areas

#### 7.4 Enhance Police Services

*Approved*

There should be more patrols by police on foot and bicycle, particularly in areas of the community with higher crime rates, to enable the police to be more responsive to local concerns and needs.

*Percent Agree 84/90*

People's Ideas...

- increase police force and patrol in local areas; provide 'beat cop' on main streets
- build the community's trust by improving response time to reported crimes and inform the community on how police are dealing with crime
- need more police presence between Main and Fraser
- improve policing to reduce break-ins, car thefts, and grow-ops

#### 7.5 Prevent Youth Crime

*Approved*

Youth crime should be prevented through the co-ordinated efforts of parents, schools, police, community organizations, and other groups working with youth. Initiatives could include additional facilities and programs in parks, community centres, schools, neighbourhood houses, etc. to provide alternative activities/environments for youth, and to remember the victims of crime.

*Percent Agree 86/89*

People's Ideas...

- continue to support safety initiatives in schools, such as Safeteen, Safespeak, and Headlines Theatre
- support pilot project at Tupper school to increase connections with other organizations in the community
- educate children about anti-bullying at elementary school and encourage adult intervention at an early stage
- provide multicultural translation to help teens understand signage located in public places such as parks and school grounds
- need more activities or programs for youth during evenings/weekends and space for activities should be provided by schools and other community organizations
- bring together victims, offenders, and community groups to find solutions (Restorative Justice Program)
- construct a Jomar Lanot memorial at Tupper School

## 7.6 Community Consultation on the Location of Treatment Centres

*Approved*

When the City and the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority or other institutions begin to plan the number and location of local treatment centres, needle exchanges, and other facilities, they should include extensive consultation with the local community.

*Percent Agree 76/78*

## 8. Recreation Facilities & Services

### 8.1 Ensure Community Involvement in the Implementation of the Riley Hillcrest Master Plan

*Approved*

The City and Park Board should ensure community involvement in the implementation of the Riley Hillcrest Master Plan, addressing issues concerning: noise and lighting impacts, landscaping, green space and greenway linkages, the environment (e.g. energy efficiency, landscaping, storm water), urban design (e.g. relationships between the buildings) and individual building design, plus transportation issues (e.g. parking and traffic, transit, and pedestrian and bicycle access).

*Percent Agree 81/83*

People's Ideas...

- provide adequate on-site parking, more handicap parking, and secure and covered bicycle parking
- retain existing green space and plant larger trees along the greenway and on new development sites
- provide better crosswalks and paths between RPSC parks
- address safety concerns for cyclists dealing with increased car traffic generated by new facilities
- produce a traffic calming plan before the development is finished
- provide transit (including shuttles from RAV stations) and improve bicycle access to community centre

### 8.2 Improve Co-ordination of Services

*Approved*

Co-ordination amongst service providers like the community centres, neighbourhood house, library, schools, and the health centre should be improved. Services should continue to respond to the changing demographics (e.g. age, ethnicity, and income) in RPSC.

*Percent Agree 76/77*

People's Ideas...

- create partnerships and use volunteers to bridge community centres, neighbourhood house, and schools
- expand programming and facilities to reflect demographic needs of seniors/aging population and young families
- expand outreach to Chinese communities
- keep the services together to improve accessibility, especially for single moms or low-income families
- provide more preventative health education sessions to counter diseases like diabetes, cancer, Alzheimer's

### 8.3 Make Programs More Affordable

*Approved*

An increased number of affordable programs should be provided by all community facilities and service providers.

*Percent Agree 68/72*

People's Ideas...

- provide 'specials' for families (e.g. token charge for 'family swim time')
- consider private/public partnerships for affordable childcare

### 8.4 Provide More Indoor Recreation Programs

*Approved*

Existing facilities, including the community centres, neighbourhood house, schools, and other local organizations, should continue to seek opportunities to provide more indoor recreation programs. When new facilities become available, additional indoor recreation programs should be provided. Opportunities for partnerships in sharing facilities and providing satellite programs should be explored.

*Percent Agree 70/73*

People's Ideas...

- promote public/private partnerships to provide gyms or indoor recreation space
- need an indoor basketball court, bigger/better gym facilities, fitness centre, and indoor track
- need a music studio, pottery studio, Tai-chi area, and bigger fitness classes
- initiate more indoor sports programs or clubs (e.g. bridge, aerobics, volleyball, basketball, boys drop-in hockey, swimming, women's drop-in sports)
- more workshops or classes on auto-mechanic, carpentry, income tax, sewing, language programs, face painting, and cooking.

### 8.5 Endorse Policy for Percy Norman Pool and Mount Pleasant Pool

*Approved*

The Park Board's policy to maintain existing pool service at Percy Norman and Mount Pleasant until a replacement is available (such as the new aquatic centre at Riley/Hillcrest Parks) should be endorsed. Programs in the new aquatic centre should continue to serve the needs and interests of local residents.

*Percent Agree 77/82*

People's Ideas...

- retain the Mount Pleasant outdoor pool
- try to balance and meet the needs of diverse user groups (e.g. seniors, swim clubs, families, and people with disabilities)
- add more adult swim times to the schedule

### 8.6 Integrate the Future Riley Park Community Centre (2010 Olympic Curling Venue) with the New Indoor Aquatic Centre

*Approved*

The future Riley Park Community Centre/skating rink/curling rink (i.e. 2010 Olympic curling venue) should be integrated or co-located with the new indoor aquatic centre.

*Percent Agree 69/77*

People's Ideas...

- keep the centres (pool, rink, and community centre) together and integrated
- need a newer/bigger and warmer indoor pool with a family changing room, a kids diving board, a wave pool with water slides, more swimming lessons, and longer pool hours

### 8.7 Provide New and Expanded Facilities and Programs for Children and Families

*Approved*

Current facilities and programming space for children and families should be expanded and new facilities should be provided. A variety of affordable programs in daycares, preschools and family places should be developed.

*Percent Agree 72/72*

People's Ideas...

- keep Early Parents Program in the neighbourhood house and parent/toddler drop-in
- provide children's programs in late afternoons or weekends for working parents
- need more daycare facilities and preschool options in the neighbourhood
- need more and bigger family places with increased accessibility and longer hours
- provide full daycare facilities at affordable prices especially for infants & toddlers
- consider having a French daycare

### 8.8 Provide Facilities and Programs for Youth

*Approved*

More facilities for youth in RPSC should be provided, such as a youth centre, skateboard parks, and sport courts in parks. More free and youth-driven programs should be provided to involve a greater diversity of youth in the community.

*Percent Agree 75/77*

People's Ideas...

- develop full basketball courts and provide more free outdoor activities near Riley Park Community Centre
- increase sports activities that are recreational/non-competitive
- need to establish a better network of services for marginalized youth
- supply more summer programs for teens and pre-teens, or a teen centre and more places to hang out
- connect youth with local businesses for training/work experience
- add youth driven/oriented programs/events such as a soapbox practice track, bmx bike track, and skateboard parks

### 8.9 Expand Seniors' Facilities and Programs

*Approved*

A seniors' centre and/or expanded seniors' facilities in community centres and the neighbourhood house should be provided. Programs for seniors should be expanded.

*Percent Agree 75/80*

People's Ideas...

- provide a seniors' centre just like the Kerrisdale Seniors' Centre as part of the community centre
- hope to see a designated space/room for seniors at Riley Park Community Centre (similar to the space in the West End Community Centre)
- provide gym and pool time for seniors and offer a special rate

- encourage more seniors involvement in community programs, especially fitness programs
- create programs to include children, youth and seniors together
- hire a seniors' co-ordinator to assist with programs and excursions at both community centres
- take the programming out to the users (e.g. seniors' housing complex) when they can't go to the community centre or neighbourhood house

#### 8.10 Provide Programs for Newcomers and Immigrants

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

More programs and ESL classes should be provided to newcomers and immigrants in their own language in community centres, the library, and the neighbourhood house.

*Percent Agree 54/55*

People's Ideas...

- provide more space and time for Chinese gathering group in the neighbourhood house
- need fitness & health classes for Chinese residents
- need ESL classes at Riley Park Community Centre
- need a space where newcomers can bring their families
- need VCC or ESL outreach programs at Riley Park Community Centre on weekends

*Comment: This Direction did receive majority support in the general survey, but was .2% short of the required support in the random survey to be classified as Approved (54.8%). In the random survey, the Direction received substantially more agree votes than disagree votes (3.4 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion in further planning.*

#### 8.11 Increase Accessibility to Public Places

*Approved*

Public places in RPSC should be designed or upgraded to better meet the needs of the visually, hearing, and mobility impaired or disabled.

*Percent Agree 74/74*

People's Ideas...

- provide more disabled parking spots closer to buildings
- provide touchless water faucets and wheelchair accessibility in public facilities
- provide special treatment for the visually impaired at street crossings and bus loading areas (e.g. bumps, bright colours, and audible signals)

#### 8.12 Provide Information about Services

*Approved*

Information about services provided by the City and other service providers should be made more readily available in forms, languages, and locations that are convenient for residents, businesses, newcomers, and immigrants.

*Percent Agree 62/65*

People's Ideas...

- improve communications with the multicultural community in different languages to create awareness

## 9. Arts and Culture

### 9.1 Encourage Public Art

*Approved*

Public art in RPSC should be encouraged, especially at locations like schools, streets, shopping areas, parks, and exterior walls of public or private buildings.

*Percent Agree 66/67*

People's Ideas...

- paint the closed windows on Wolfe Elementary and Nat Bailey facade
- provide art associated with major streets (e.g. Cambie, Main, and King Edward) to celebrate and reinforce their district character, and add more art work like that in Cartier Park
- install more public art sidewalk mosaics like the ones on Ontario
- combine art and nature in creative planting, sculpture gardens, and water parks
- include art collections such as the 'Purple Thistle' run by youth in the neighbourhood house
- encourage mural paintings by graffiti artists, children, and the community on public and commercial buildings

### 9.2 Encourage More Initiatives for Arts and Culture

*Approved*

More arts and culture programs/activities /performances should be encouraged by involving local artists, residents, and businesses in the community.

*Percent Agree 68/70*

People's Ideas...

- encourage and increase funding for more community art — provide open studio or workshop space for new artists or youth
- generate in-house art programs in community centres — have artists design street 'elements' (e.g. benches, trashcans, etc.)
- promote artistic events or competitions and public performances such as poetry readings
- provide more outdoor performance venues (e.g. dances and music festivals) and support local neighbourhood musicians/bands/dancers

## 10. Library Facilities & Services

### 10.1 Maintain and Improve Riley Park Library Services

*Approved*

Library services in the Riley Park area should be maintained until a new branch library is available. Improvements to library services should be made to better serve community needs based on a review of factors such as collections, internet access, service to non-English speakers, and hours of operation.

*Percent Agree 77/81*

People's Ideas...

- increase collections of DVDs and videos and rotate AV material
- increase the Chinese collection and add staff who can speak Chinese
- make computers more available, offer computer programs and storytelling in the library
- maintain quality service provided by librarians
- provide programs and services to the many newcomers in the neighbourhood



- provide more satellite library programs in schools
- expand hours of operation at Riley Park Branch Library

## 10.2 Ensure Community Involvement in Developing the New Riley Park Branch Library

*Approved*

The City (especially the Vancouver Public Library) should involve the community when developing the new branch library and shaping its services.

*Percent Agree 76/77*

People's Ideas...

- increase potential partnerships with the School Board, Park Board and developers
- keep library on Main Street (close to the neighbourhood house), perhaps at present site and expanding when the neighbourhood house moves
- need to keep within walking distance of the neighbourhoods in RPSC
- ensure accessibility for those with mobility issues
- locate library close to the community centre where there is parking

## EXISTING RESIDENTIAL AREAS

### 11. Single Family

#### 11.1 Maintain Most Single Family Areas

*Approved*

In order to retain the basic character of RPSC, most of the area that is now single family (with suites allowed) should be kept that way (exceptions would only be considered where the community supports new housing choices as described in Directions 15.1-16.6, 18.8, 19.3, 20.6, 20.8, 21.5, and 22.2)

*Percent Agree 79/79*

People's Ideas...

-retain single family houses as they are attractive to all types of households

### 12. New House Design

#### 12.1 Design of New Single Family Houses

*Approved*

Some areas in RPSC have zoning with some level of design review of new single family houses. Those single-family areas that currently do not have zoning with design review should be improved by putting in place one of the design-review zones the City has already developed, if there is sufficient support within any sub-area within the community.

*Percent Agree 77/77*

People's Ideas...

-prefer heritage character style homes

-do not permit Vancouver specials or monster houses

-prefer diverse housing styles to newly built, superficial 'character' homes

-establish design review for all new housing types

-provide different types of landscaping and green space with new housing

-repetition of same design makes for a boring street

#### 12.2 Public Involvement in Review of New Single Family House Design

*Approved*

In areas with design review of single family housing, the City should explore alternative methods for improving public involvement in the review of new and substantially renovated single family house design, including some form of community-based design panel or advisory committee.

*Percent Agree 57/56*

People's Ideas...

-establish more direct community involvement in influencing housing and urban design issues

-develop a sense of community ownership with community input

-design controls should reflect criteria developed and approved by local residents

### 12.3 Improve Quality and Sustainability of Single Family Housing

*Approved*

The City should investigate opportunities to provide incentives or guidelines that further improve the quality and sustainability of new single family housing. This might include guidelines for more durable, sustainable building materials or green roofs.

*Percent Agree 73/77*

People's Ideas...

- relax zoning or provide other incentives for using building materials that have a greater longevity (quality of materials)
- promote green roofs in the building code and zoning

## 13 Retaining Heritage

### 13.1 Retain Buildings on the Vancouver Heritage Register (VHR)

*Approved*

For buildings listed in the Vancouver Heritage Register (VHR), the City should encourage retention by implementing additional incentives which are suitable in RPSC.

*Percent Agree 81/84*

People's Ideas...

- encourage restoration of heritage buildings
- keep heritage buildings on Main Street which have a nice scale and anchor other heritage restoration
- enhance heritage building through green building principles
- retain heritage buildings as important 'memory' pieces, enriching the fabric of the community
- important to have a variety of past and current buildings
- establish a grant program to promote and restore heritage buildings

### 13.2 Retaining Other Character Buildings

*Approved*

In order to encourage retention of 'character' buildings not on the Vancouver Heritage Register (VHR), there should be incentives to renovate and disincentives to demolish these buildings (e.g. taxes, fees). This would also involve a process to establish which 'character' buildings would be eligible.

*Percent Agree 76/81*

People's Ideas...

- need building controls to preserve the heritage/history of the area
- keep character buildings in shopping areas
- keep old buildings, but need to fix them up with façade improvements
- create character retention incentives for more housing types than listed heritage buildings

## 14 Changes in CD-1 Zones

### 14.1 Process for CD-1 Zoned Sites Anywhere in RPSC

*Approved*

When anything other than a small change is proposed to a development on a site zoned CD-1 – whether in its buildings or uses – the City should undertake a rezoning process in order to ensure appropriate community consultation and to provide the City with the ability to deny or impose conditions on the proposed development.

*Percent Agree 71/75*

## NEW HOUSING

### New Housing Types

#### 15.1 Allow More Infill

*Approved*

Housing variety should be increased in RPSC by allowing more infill housing than is currently permitted, provided it is:

- designed to fit into the single family area, with attention to privacy, views, shadowing and landscaping
- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts.

*Percent Agree 61/66*

People's Ideas...

- allow infill with no stairs and improve access especially for seniors
- can create more community in back lanes
- provides a less expensive housing option and retains neighbourhood character
- allows for aging in place
- allows community members to increase density of their own lots

#### 15.2 Allow More Duplexes

*Approved*

Housing variety should be increased in RPSC by allowing more duplexes than are currently permitted, provided they are:

- designed to fit into the single family area with attention to privacy, views, shadowing and landscaping
- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts

*Percent Agree 63/69*

People's Ideas...

- can be less expensive for small families
- allow suites in duplexes to improve affordability
- not suited for building on small lots

#### 15.3 Allow Some Cottages or Small Houses on Shared Lots

*Approved*

Housing variety should be increased in RPSC by allowing some small houses on shared lots, provided they are:

- designed to fit into the single family area with attention to privacy, views, shadowing and landscaping
- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts.

*Percent Agree 61/65*

People's Ideas...

- could be affordable to first time buyers
- could increase positive use of lanes and potentially decrease crime
- work well in part of neighbourhood with larger than average lots
- keeps more green space and park like setting
- must provide adequate parking on-site
- need small houses for seniors

#### 15.4 Allow Some Fourplexes & Villas (six units)

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

Housing variety should be increased in RPSC by allowing some fourplexes and villas, provided they are:

- designed to fit into the single family area, with attention to privacy, views, shadowing and landscaping
- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts.

*Percent Agree 49/53*

People's Ideas...

- well suited to a co-operative or co-housing form of shared ownership to create community and affordable housing options
- provides safe environment for young children
- best suited to areas with larger houses
- good access for seniors

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in the general survey, and did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.5 to 1, random survey: 2.0 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

#### 15.5 Allow More Traditional Rowhouses

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

Housing variety in RPSC should be increased in RPSC by allowing more traditional rowhouses than are currently permitted, provided they are:

- designed to fit into single family area with attention to privacy, views, shadowing and landscaping
- located in select areas and built as small projects rather than as a widespread replacement for existing housing types
- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts.

*Percent Agree 48/52*

People's Ideas...

- can lead to more interaction between neighbours, a more active streetscape
- need more private green space with less privacy
- must provide adequate parking on-site
- cheaper to build but risk to privacy

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in the general survey, and did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In both surveys, the*

*Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.6 to 1, random survey: 2.0 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

#### 15.6 Allow Some Courtyard or Carriage Court Rowhouses

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

Housing variety should be increased in RPSC by allowing some Courtyard or Carriage Court rowhouses, provided they are:

- designed to fit into single family area with attention to privacy, views, shadowing and landscaping
- located in select areas and built as small projects rather than as a widespread replacement for existing housing types
- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts.

*Percent Agree 47/47*

People's Ideas...

- can lead to more interaction between neighbours, a more active streetscape
- need more private green space with less privacy
- must provide adequate parking on-site
- cheaper to build but risk to privacy

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in the general survey, and did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.5 to 1, random survey: 1.5 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

#### 15.7 Allow More Four-storey Apartments

*Not Supported*

Some additional four-storey apartments should be permitted in RPSC, provided they are:

- designed to be compatible with adjacent residential and commercial buildings, with attention to privacy, views, shadowing and landscaping
- located in select areas and built as small projects rather than as a widespread replacement for existing housing types
- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts.

*Percent Agree 38/38*

People's Ideas...

- responds to displacement of singles and young households due to area gentrification
- has better 'green footprint'
- apartment dwellers may use the car less and take more public transportation
- not appropriate in middle of single family areas

*Comment: This Direction is Not Supported because disagree votes outnumbered agree votes in both the general and random surveys. Additional four-storey apartments will not be brought forward for consideration when additional housing planning occurs in the community, except when under*

*consideration in the planning for Neighbourhood Centres and Large Sites that have approved Vision Directions which support four-storey buildings.*

#### 15.8 Allow Some Six-storey Apartments

*Not Supported*

Some six-storey apartments should be permitted in RPSC, provided they are:

- designed to be compatible with adjacent commercial and residential buildings with attention to privacy, views, shadowing and landscaping
- located in select areas and built as small projects rather than as a widespread replacement for existing housing types
- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts.

*Percent Agree 25/25*

People's Ideas...

- use along major roads and at major intersections

*Comment: This Direction is Not Supported because disagree votes outnumbered agree votes in both the general and random surveys. Six-storey apartments will not be brought forward for consideration when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

#### 15.9 Allow Some Twelve-storey Apartments

*Not Supported*

Some twelve-storey apartments should be permitted in RPSC, provided they are:

- located in select areas, and generally part of a major rezoning
- designed to be compatible with adjacent residential and commercial buildings, with attention to privacy, views, shadowing and landscaping
- provided with adequate community facilities (parks, schools, etc.) and services for the additional population
- accompanied by a plan to address any parking and traffic impacts.

*Percent Agree 20/17*

People's Ideas...

- use as points or 'accents' to create visual interest on main arterial roads
- provide higher density by RAV stations and decrease as you move toward single family areas

*Comment: This Direction is Not Supported because disagree votes outnumbered agree votes in both the general and random surveys. Twelve-storey apartments will not be brought forward for consideration when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

#### 15.10 Any New Housing Types

Several new housing types have been described in this section. Did you support any of the new housing types (Infill, Duplexes, Small Houses or Cottages on Shared Lots, Fourplexes and Villas, Traditional Rowhouses, Courtyard or Carriage Court Rowhouses, Four-storey Apartments, Six-storey Apartments, and Twelve-storey Apartments) in the Directions listed above?

*Percent Supporting at least one type 59/63*



*Comment: This Direction is not classed as Approved because it refers to the previous Directions rather than asking a specific policy question. It is interesting that respondents under-reported their support for at least one housing type.*

#### 15.11 Seniors' Housing

*Approved*

Some small developments designed for seniors (e.g. assisted-living facilities with various levels of care) should be considered near parks, shopping, transit, services, and on 'Large Sites' (especially near the hospital facilities on Oak) to allow seniors to stay in the community as their housing needs change.

*Percent Agree 81/84*

People's Ideas...

- need security and safety features
- locate close to shopping, services, community facilities, parks, health care facilities, community gardens
- provide some complexes where meals, supervision and/or care is included
- need units without stairs and some wheel chair accessible
- close to programs in neighbourhood houses and community centre

### 16 New Housing Locations

#### 16.1 Allow New Housing Types on Corner Lots or Irregular Subdivision Areas

*Approved*

New housing types should be permitted in RPSC on corner lots or areas with irregular subdivision patterns like very long and/or wide lots, or double fronting streets, subject to detailed planning and impact mitigation.

*Percent Agree 57/62*

#### 16.2 Allow New Housing Types to be Scattered Throughout the Single Family Areas

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

New housing types should be permitted in scattered locations throughout the single family areas of RPSC, subject to detailed planning and impact mitigation.

*Percent Agree 45/48*

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in the general survey, and did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.3 to 1, random survey: 1.5 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

#### 16.3 Allow New Housing Types Around Parks & Community Centres

*Approved*

New housing types should be permitted around parks and community centers in RPSC, subject to detailed planning and impact mitigation.

*Percent Agree 53/57*

#### 16.4 Allow New Housing Types Around the King Edward RAV Station

*Approved*

New housing types should be permitted around the King Edward RAV station on Cambie, subject to detailed planning, and impact mitigation.

*Percent Agree 56/59*

#### 16.5 Allow New Housing Types North of the 41st RAV Station

*Approved*

New housing types should be permitted north of the 41st RAV station on Cambie, subject to detailed planning and impact mitigation.

*Percent Agree 56/59*

#### 16.6 Allow New Housing On or Near Arterial Roads

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

New housing types should be permitted on or near arterial roads in RPSC, subject to detailed planning, and impact mitigation.

*Percent Agree 56/54*

*Comment: This Direction did receive majority support in the general survey, but was .6% short of the required support in the random survey to be classified as Approved (54.4%). In the random survey, the Direction received substantially more agree votes than disagree votes (2.2 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional planning occurs in the community.*

#### 16.7 Support for New Housing in at least One Location

Did you support consideration of new housing in any of the locations identified in the Directions above (Corner or Irregular Lots, Scattered Throughout the Single Family Area, Around Parks or Community Centres, RAV Station at King Edward, RAV Station at 41st, or On or Near Arterial Roads)?

*Percent Supporting at least one location 54/59*

*Comment: This Direction is not classed as Approved because it refers to the previous Directions rather than asking a specific policy question. It is interesting that respondents under-reported their support for at least one housing location.*

## 17. Housing Affordability

### 17.1 Housing Affordability

*Approved*

The City should urge federal/provincial governments to reinstate programs that fund non-market housing and to develop new initiatives that would make housing more affordable for low income households.

*Percent Agree 59/61*

People's Ideas...

- provide more affordable housing options so those with low income can own
- need more low cost options
- provide affordable housing to welfare recipients and others who require assistance
- distribute non-market housing throughout the community
- provide non-market housing on large site redevelopments

## NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRES

### 18. Main Street

#### 18.1 Strengthen Important Shopping Area

*Approved*

The shopping area along Main Street between 16th and 33rd should be strengthened as a major neighbourhood shopping area and special community place.

*Percent Agree 88/91*

People's Ideas...

- enhance Main and King Edward as the gateway to the shopping area
- keep Main as a special street
- make the area more pedestrian friendly, need to revitalize

#### 18.2 Review Policy for Main Street

*Approved*

The unique character of Main Street's shopping area should be retained and enhanced. The City should work with merchants, property owners and residents to review existing zoning and other policies to identify possible changes that would better support Main Street's character and role in the City.

*Percent Agree 83/85*

People's Ideas...

- build on the history of the area to help develop a persona/character for Main Street
- create financial incentives to diversify retail uses
- have zoning that encourages a diversity of forms and uses
- have zoning which allows more flexible use of the ground and 2nd floor (i.e. light industry, artisans, boat builders)
- retain existing businesses and commercial diversity

#### 18.3 Retain Character Buildings on Main Street

*Approved*

The retention of 'character' buildings on Main Street which are not on the Vancouver Heritage Register should be encouraged. There should be incentives to renovate and disincentives to demolish.

*Percent Agree 77/79*

People's Ideas...

- preserve heritage structures like the Walden Building, Garlane Pharmacy, and the 21st and Main convenience store that has a floral mural
- use zoning incentives to retain and enhance heritage buildings
- use higher demolition fees as a disincentive to demolish character buildings

#### 18.4 Encourage Retail to Wrap from Main Street onto Some Side Streets

*Approved*

Retail should be encouraged to wrap around corners from Main Street onto some side streets, where compatible with nearby residents. Landscaped areas for outdoor seating could be provided for use by adjoining businesses such as coffee shops, bakeries, and restaurants.

*Percent Agree 75/75*

People's Ideas...

- allow retail to wrap around corners and create mini plazas especially where street intersections are off-set or on an angle
- create small shop and café alcoves off the main drag (e.g. Solly's and Liberty Bakery)

18.5 Make Commercial Lanes More Lively

*Approved*

Some shops along commercial lanes should be encouraged to enhance the shopping experience in the Main Street shopping area, subject to analysis of the impacts on adjacent residents, parking, and access to the adjoining commercial and residential uses (i.e. loading, parking, and servicing).

*Percent Agree 66/65*

People's Ideas...

- put 'cottage' industries and live/work spaces in the lanes
- create pedestrian mews where businesses take over lanes
- like the 'Flower Factory' with its nursery out back

18.6 Add a Conventional Supermarket

*Approved*

Supermarkets are important 'anchors' for neighbourhood shopping areas. The City should encourage development of a conventional supermarket on Main Street.

*Percent Agree 60/59*

People's Ideas...

- need a grocery store (e.g. Capers or Choices)
- consider incorporating a grocery store into a residential development (e.g. IGA on Burrard and Nelson)
- locate a grocery store south of 33rd, possibly in the redevelopment of Little Mountain Housing

18.7 Improve Bike Access on Main Street

*Approved*

Bike access to and through the Main Street shopping area should be improved, including consideration of Bikelanes on Main Street as part of a city-wide commuter network (this would be considered as part of a more detailed plan, to see if it fits with improvements for pedestrians, shoppers, and transit).

*Percent Agree 60/60*

18.8 Provide Additional Housing Near the Main Street Shopping Area

*Approved*

Main Street shopping area should become more of a neighbourhood centre by providing opportunities for more housing to be built nearby. Additional housing would bring people closer to where they shop or work, and would help support local shops and services. Housing types could range from more apartments around Main Street to more ground-oriented housing within walking distance of Main Street.

*Percent Agree 60/60*

People's Ideas...

- encourage (through zoning) more mixed use developments with retail on bottom and residential above
- allow some townhouses and condominiums
- encourage new housing, residential mews like on Watson Street

## 19 Fraser Street

### 19.1 Strengthen Important Shopping Areas

*Approved*

The shopping areas along Fraser Street between 16th and 19th and between King Edward and 28th should be strengthened as neighbourhood shopping areas and special community places.

*Percent Agree 78/75*

People's Ideas...

- recognize Fraser as a very important commercial, social and residential centre for ethnic groups (e.g. Filipino, Polish)
- protect location of niche businesses
- need more foot traffic to generate activity and attract shoppers
- need more than curb bulges and other improvements to attract businesses to Fraser

### 19.2 Add a Conventional Supermarket

*Approved*

Supermarkets are important 'anchors' for neighbourhood shopping areas. The City should encourage development of a conventional supermarket on Fraser Street.

*Percent Agree 60/60*

People's Ideas...

- need a supermarket between 27th and 29th in the Kingsway area
- need a specialty grocery store (not too large)

### 19.3 Provide Additional Housing Near the Fraser Street Shopping Area

*Approved*

The Fraser Street shopping area should become more of a neighbourhood centre by providing opportunities for more housing to be built nearby. Additional housing would bring people closer to where they shop or work, and would help support local shops and services. Housing types could range from more apartments around Fraser Street to more ground-oriented housing within walking distance of Fraser Street.

*Percent Agree 56/58*

People's Ideas...

- build rowhouses with connections to shopping areas
- allow a variety of housing types
- design buildings to follow slope of land (e.g. King Edward and Fraser)
- keep and encourage more mixed use developments
- consider multi-family medium density residential development (e.g. rowhouses, small apartment buildings) on some blocks if designed to accommodate commercial or live/work uses at ground level

## 20. Cambie (16th-19th) & King Edward RAV Station

### 20.1 Strengthen Important Shopping Area

*Approved*

The shopping area along Cambie Street between 16th and 19th should be strengthened as a major neighbourhood shopping area and special community place.

*Percent Agree 86/88*

### 20.2 Retain the Park Theatre (3440 Cambie)

*Approved*

The Park Theatre, built in 1930, is an important landmark and adds to the retail vitality of the Cambie Street shopping area. Efforts should be made to retain the theatre in its current location.

*Percent Agree 87/88*

People's Ideas...

- important to keep the landmark 'Park' sign as it lights up the street
- have a local theater that people can walk rather than drive to
- retain the Park Theatre as it can act as a magnet to attract more restaurants and cafes, and brings activity and vitality to the street in the evenings

### 20.3 Encourage Retail to Wrap from Cambie Street onto Some Side Streets

*Approved*

Retail should be encouraged to wrap around corners from Cambie Street onto some side streets, where compatible with nearby residents. Landscaped areas for outdoor seating could be provided for use by adjoining businesses such as coffee shops, bakeries, and restaurants.

*Percent Agree 71/70*

People's Ideas...

- encourage eating areas with outdoor patios around street corners
- increase soft landscaping on side streets
- relocate bike racks around corner
- encourage outdoor patios with eating areas to wrap around corner on to side streets

### 20.4 Add a Conventional Supermarket

*Approved*

Supermarkets (like the former Produce City Market) are important 'anchors' for neighbourhood shopping areas. The city should encourage a conventional supermarket to locate within the Cambie Street (16th to 19th) shopping area.

*Percent Agree 58/60*

People's Ideas...

- work to retain markets like Produce City which help make it a 'Village Centre'
- encourage affordable markets like 'Thrifty's Foods' to locate in the area

## 20.5 Create a Landscaped Centre Median

*Approved*

Creation of a landscaped centre median on Cambie Street between 16th and King Edward should be considered, subject to more detailed design, and consultation with area residents, property owners, and merchants.

*Percent Agree 56/60*

People's Ideas...

- create a landscaped median along Cambie and strengthen the pedestrian linkage between the new RAV station (at King Edward) and the shopping area from 16th to 19th
- make it easier to cross Cambie by having a treed centre boulevard

## 20.6 Provide Additional Housing Near the Cambie Street Shopping Area

*Approved*

The Cambie Street shopping area between 16th and 19th should become more of a neighbourhood centre by providing opportunities for more housing to be built nearby. Additional housing would bring people closer to where they shop or work, and would help support local shops and services. Housing types could range from more apartments around Cambie Street to more ground-oriented housing within walking distance of Cambie Street.

*Percent Agree 50/58*

People's Ideas...

- increase residential density in the area by allowing more residential above retail
- increase density to promote walking, cycling and taking transit, and to support local businesses
- allow more mixed uses like live/work units along Cambie
- provide more housing for seniors around commercial area - easy accessibility to transit, shops and services
- build affordable housing so young couples can live in the City

## 20.7 Retain Local-Serving Shopping Area at RAV Station

*Approved*

The commercial area along Cambie at King Edward should be a mainly local-serving shopping area and should not be expanded as a result of the RAV station.

*Percent Agree 65/71*

People's Ideas...

- no additional shops at the RAV Station, keep it quiet and discrete
- keep as a 'convenience shopping area'
- improve the pedestrian experience by making a comfortable link between the future RAV station at King Edward and Cambie and the principal shopping area between 16th and 19th



## 20.8 Provide Additional Housing Near the RAV Station

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

The Cambie Street shopping area at King Edward should be enhanced as a local shopping/RAV station area by providing additional housing to bring people closer to where they shop or work, to support local shops and services, and to increase ridership on rapid transit. Housing types could range from more apartments around Cambie Street to more ground-oriented housing within walking distance of the new RAV station.

*Percent Agree 50/53*

People's Ideas...

- keep a residential focus at the Cambie and King Edward RAV station
- consider higher density around the RAV station
- review urban design of RAV stations for opportunities to address scale, height, and massing

*Comment: This Direction fell just short of receiving majority support in the general survey (49.9%), and did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.7 to 1, random survey: 2.4 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional housing planning occurs in the community. Staff note that Direction 16.4 Allow New Housing Types Around the King Edward RAV Station was classified as Approved, with the definition of those housing types occurring when additional housing planning occurs in the community.*

## 21. Cambie (39th-41st) & RAV Station

### 21.1 Strengthen Important Shopping/RAV Station Area

*Approved*

The shopping area along Cambie from 39th to 41st should be retained and strengthened as a major neighbourhood shopping/RAV station area and special community place.

*Percent Agree 78/79*

### 21.2 Improve Building Design and Character

*Approved*

The character of the new buildings on Cambie Street from 39th to 41st should be improved through urban design. Building design should promote this area as a neighbourhood centre and RAV station area, and reflect the surrounding character of the community.

*Percent Agree 77/81*

People's Ideas...

- review urban design of RAV station – opportunity to address scale, height, and massing
- require RAV stations to reflect community character
- prevent 'ugly', 'scary' station atmosphere
- extend 40th west of Cambie to create a mid-block pedestrian mews
- utilize the median for RAV station access and energize the median at this location

### 21.3 Retain a Supermarket

*Approved*

The supermarket at Oakridge Shopping Centre is an important 'anchor' for the mall and vital asset to the community. The City, in consultation with the community, should ensure that inclusion of a supermarket is a condition of any future redevelopment of the mall.

*Percent Agree 82/87*

### 21.4 Ensure Public Involvement in the Oakridge Shopping Centre Redevelopment

*Approved*

Additions or changes to the Oakridge Shopping Centre should contribute to the Vision Directions for this area. The City should ensure the community is involved early (and often) in any significant redevelopment of Oakridge Shopping Centre in both identifying options and in refining specific aspects of the proposal.

*Percent Agree 77/81*

### 21.5 Provide Additional Housing Near Cambie and 41st Shopping Area/RAV Station

*Approved*

The Cambie and 41st shopping area should become more of a neighbourhood centre by providing opportunities for more housing to be built nearby. Additional housing would bring people closer to where they shop or work, and would help support local shops and services, as well as increase ridership on rapid transit. Housing types could range from more apartments near the RAV station to more ground-oriented housing within walking distance of the station.

*Percent Agree 60/61*

People's Ideas...

- create major nodes for shopping and housing at the RAV station
- allow height maximum of 3-5 storeys
- provide more multi-unit housing around the station
- consider higher density and high-rise apartments at RAV stations

## 22. Oak and King Edward (including King Edward Mall)

### 22.1 Strengthen Important Shopping Area

*Approved*

Oak and King Edward, including the King Edward Mall and the surrounding commercial area, should be strengthened as a major neighbourhood shopping area and special community place.

*Percent Agree 78/78*

### 22.2 Provide Additional Housing Near the Oak and King Edward Shopping Area

*Approved*

Oak and King Edward should become more of a neighbourhood centre by providing opportunities for more housing to be built nearby. Additional housing would bring people closer to where they shop or work, and help support local shops and services. Housing types could range from apartments around Oak and King Edward to more ground-oriented housing within walking distance of the shopping area.

*Percent Agree 57/58*

People's Ideas...

- provide a variety of housing types for a range of people (e.g. seniors, singles, low income, assisted living, etc.)
- allow infill in RS zones
- allow townhouses along Laurel and 26th

### 22.3 Provide Additional Housing in the King Edward Mall Redevelopment

*Approved*

The redevelopment of King Edward Mall should include additional housing, mainly above shops, in order to become more of a focus for the neighbourhood centre. Along with additional housing, there could be a greater variety of retail stores, and additional community facilities and amenities.

*Percent Agree 56/64*

People's Ideas...

- provide a variety of housing types for a range of people (e.g. seniors, singles, low income, assisted living, etc.)
- encourage residential development on top of retail at King Edward Mall
- create opportunities for innovation in housing and development form
- pull building facades out to the street edge

### 22.4 Ensure Public Involvement in the King Edward Mall Redevelopment

*Approved*

Additions or changes to the King Edward Mall should contribute to the Vision Directions for this area. The City should ensure the community is involved early (and often) in any significant redevelopment of King Edward Mall in both identifying options and in refining specific aspects of the proposal.

*Percent Agree 75/75*

People's Ideas...

- should create a sub-area plan first and conduct multiple levels of review

### 22.5 Allow Buildings Up to Four Storeys on the King Edward Mall Site

*Approved*

Buildings on the King Edward Mall site should be low-rise (up to four storeys high). Where appropriate, lower heights should be required when creating a transition down to the lower heights of neighbouring houses, subject to analysis of views, privacy, shadowing and other impacts.

*Percent Agree 54/60*

### 22.6 Allow Buildings Taller Than Four Storeys on the King Edward Mall Site to Achieve Public Benefits

*Not Supported*

A carefully situated building, or limited number of buildings, taller than four storeys, should be considered on the King Edward Mall Site, if park, open space, or some other public benefits are provided. Building design and height would be subject to thorough analysis of views, privacy, shadowing, and other potential impacts.

*Percent Agree 32/31*

People's Ideas...

- allow 4-storey buildings along King Edward but increase height towards the centre of the site
- allow up to 6 storeys along King Edward, or 6-8 storeys with careful design
- allow high-rise buildings on the King Edward Mall site

*Comment: This Direction is Not Supported because disagree votes outnumbered agree votes in both the general and random surveys. Buildings taller than four storeys on the King Edward Mall Site will not be brought forward for consideration when additional housing planning occurs at the site.*

## 22.7 Consider Surrounding Area When Rezoning King Edward Mall

*Approved*

When planning the redevelopment of the King Edward Mall site, the potential for change in the surrounding area (single family and institutional areas, including Emily Carr Elementary) should also be considered.

*Percent Agree 68/74*

People's Ideas...

- consider mixed-use development on Emily Carr
- allow infill in single family areas to add density and provide a transition to the higher density at King Edward Mall
- increase retail area on Oak from King Edward to 16th
- allow mixed-use (e.g. C-2) or multi-family housing on west side of Oak (south of King Edward)

## 22.8 Retain a Supermarket at King Edward Mall

*Approved*

The supermarket at King Edward Mall is an important 'anchor' for the shopping area. The City, in consultation with the community, should ensure that inclusion of a supermarket is a condition of any future redevelopment.

*Percent Agree 84/87*

People's Ideas...

- retain food store as an 'anchor' — maximum 30,000 sq. feet
- integrate food store into a mixed-use development (e.g. Urban Fare)

## 23. General Directions for All Neighbourhood Centres

### 23.1 Ensure Continuity of Shops and Services

*Approved*

In the shopping area, shops and services should be continuous along the ground floor of buildings. Ground floor frontage should not be interrupted by driveways, drive-throughs, parking lots, or building fronts and uses that are not 'pedestrian friendly'.

*Percent Agree 84/83*

People's Ideas...

- develop empty lot at 26th and Main as a park or garden
- infill Oakridge Mall plaza to the street to improve public/sidewalk domain
- discourage blank frontages – they are dead space at night (e.g. banks)
- discourage uses that break-up retail frontages such as car washes and garages

### 23.2 Provide a Range of Shops and Services

*Approved*

There should be a wider range of local-serving shops and services in the shopping areas. Additional auto-oriented services (e.g. gas stations, auto repair) should be discouraged.

*Percent Agree 81/79*

People's Ideas...

- encourage artisan/clothier retail studios and manufacturing of products on Main
- need new retail anchors to redevelop vacant site at King Edward/Fraser and Fraser/17th (e.g. Tim Horton's, Literacy Centre, London Drugs)
- provide more diverse retail services at Cambie and 41st/RAV station
- intensify the mix of commercial/office and medical office/service uses at King Edward Mall
- keep mixed use and encourage a range of shops and services, including more multi-cultural businesses that have a local draw (e.g. weekend farmers market, larger hardware store, seafood shop, produce markets on Main)

### 23.3 Improve Pedestrian Comfort and Safety

*Approved*

It should be easier and safer for pedestrians to move along and cross major streets, and the condition of sidewalks should be improved.

*Percent Agree 89/92*

People's Ideas...

- install pedestrian light at Brock School
- slow down traffic and repair sidewalks on Main and Fraser
- narrow the street with curb bulges on Fraser from 16th to 27th
- install pedestrian light at Fraser at 31st, Cambie at 40th, and Cambie at 17th
- use subways to get across Cambie and 41st for pedestrians
- ensure that pedestrian, cyclists and bus connections to RAV stations are well designed
- improve pedestrian and bicycle access to Oakridge Shopping Centre
- repair crosswalk at Laurel and King Edward
- reduce scale of the Oak and King Edward intersection, make it more pedestrian and cyclist friendly, and ensure generous sidewalks

### 23.4 Provide Convenient Parking

*Approved*

Convenient short-term parking, including curbside parking, should continue to be available for customers to help keep the retail viable and reduce impacts on neighbours. Opportunities for more customer parking in lanes should be investigated.

*Percent Agree 80/85*

People's Ideas...

- retain parking on both sides of the street at all times, it improves business, makes sidewalks safer and walking from the back lane is very difficult
- provide some customer parking in lanes
- keep pay parking so people park to use local stores not to commute downtown
- allow diagonal parking on Fraser (narrow street by one lane)
- provide more parking and a larger drop-off area around Park Theatre for their patrons
- preserve parking for residents around the core RAV station area and provide additional parking near station
- keep surface parking at King Edward Mall as it is good for seniors and people with children

### 23.5 Create More Attractive Areas

*Approved*

The appearance of the shopping area should be improved through efforts of private owners and the City (e.g. create outdoor patios, banners, special lighting, bike racks; public notice boards/directory; special paving, drinking fountains). Special effort should be made to encourage public art projects on Main Street.

*Percent Agree 86/88*

People's Ideas...

- encourage 'art walk' activities (The Drift), walking tours, etc. on Main
- get neighbours involved in creating sidewalk art and images (e.g. community art projects), especially along Main
- initiate a street beautification program to strengthen the shopping areas
- improve standards of old buildings and the look of building facades
- need community gathering places – create a small plaza at some intersections
- provide public art money for murals on commercial buildings
- encourage businesses and shops to have more inviting storefronts and window displays
- maintain the pedestrian friendly scale (e.g. step back 2nd/3rd storey) and provide benches, banners and pedestrian lighting
- remove graffiti on vacant stores/buildings immediately
- create open spaces with seating, and provide drinking fountains, public washrooms, etc. on Oak and King Edward

### 23.6 Protect and Enhance Street Trees/Greening

*Approved*

Street trees and landscaping contribute to the pleasant character of a street, as well as bringing visual consistency. Existing trees should be kept and maintained, wherever possible. Their impact should be enhanced by adding trees where they are missing as well as in new corner bulges on side streets. Use a variety of strategies to increase the 'greening' of shopping areas.

*Percent Agree 88/91*

People's Ideas...

- need more street trees on Cambie along commercial frontage
- encourage green space improvements (especially near 16th and Fraser) with programs such as Blooming Boulevards and Greenways
- add landscaping and 'green-up' the lane behind Fraser commercial
- improve Oak and King Edward boulevards by planting more trees with colour
- encourage more flower boxes around trees, hanging baskets as well as shrubs (beautifies street and adds to pedestrian pleasure)

### 23.7 Control Sidewalk Merchandise & Displays

*Approved*

Merchandise displays and sandwich boards on the sidewalk add vitality and interest to the street, but the amount of sidewalk they take up should be limited. They should leave enough room for pedestrians (including wheelchairs and strollers) to pass each other, and should leave more sidewalk space at bus stops and crosswalks where more people gather. The limit should be enforced.

*Percent Agree 71/73*

People's Ideas...

- encourage sidewalk displays (e.g. Flower Factory on Main)
- enforce bylaws to limit business displays (e.g. sandwich board signs and clothing racks) that impede pedestrian traffic

### 23.8 Provide Continuous Weather Protection

*Approved*

There should be continuous weather protection for shoppers in the form of canopies or awnings. Awnings should be designed to look attractive and ensure the sidewalk does not become dark and uninviting.

*Percent Agree 62/68*

People's Ideas...

- provide boulevard weather protection at 41st and at 40th
- make awning for weather protection deep enough to cover entire sidewalk
- do not allow advertising on awnings, makes awnings look too busy
- ensure some character guidelines for awnings and canopies

### 23.9 Provide Cleaner Places

*Approved*

Sidewalks, gutters, lanes, parking lots, storefronts, garbage areas, and loading bays should be kept cleaner and maintained better by both private businesses and the City.

*Percent Agree 91/95*

People's Ideas...

- make businesses such as The Grind and McDonald's take more responsibility for the litter they create
- empty overflowing garbage bins in front of the TD Bank at 18th and Cambie (problem on the weekends)
- ensure future RAV stations are kept free of litter and graffiti
- install more garbage cans and provide incentives to businesses to clean-up litter and garbage
- clean up vacant buildings and empty lots as well as graffiti and posted flyers

## 24. Business Associations or BIAs

### 24.1 Business Associations or BIAs

*Approved*

Business Associations and BIAs should be encouraged, with organizational assistance from the City. They should be involved, together with residents, in promoting shopping in their areas and organizing services and activities to attract shoppers.

*Percent Agree 66/66*

People's Ideas...

- form a BIA for Cambie shopping area — need an identity and name for it
- hold a community promotion event for Cambie area
- encourage businesses on Fraser Street to form a BIA
- ensure that Main Street BIA is developed; the business community on Main is ripe for establishing a BIA

## 25. Shopping Malls & 'Big Box' Stores

### 25.1 Restrict Additional Major Malls or 'Big Box' Stores

*Approved*

Additional major shopping malls, and 'big box' stores which sell groceries, clothing, and other daily needs, should not be permitted to locate where they will harm the economic health of the local shopping areas in RPSC.

*Percent Agree 72/72*

People's Ideas...

- restrict 'big box' stores which discourage local purchases, encourage traffic (e.g. Walmart)
- consider 'big box' on Cambie north of 41st – with roof top parking (e.g. Mountain Equipment Co-op)
- permit no large format stores (e.g. Home Depot)

### 25.2 Permit Specialty 'Big Box' Stores

*Not Supported*

Some smaller specialty 'big box' outlets (e.g. electronics, toys, pets) might act as positive anchors or attractions if they are located in RPSC's existing shopping areas. They should be considered if they are designed to fit properly.

*Percent Agree 47/41*

People's Ideas...

- allow specialty 'big box', but not on ground level (i.e. 2nd floor retail like Future Shop on Broadway and Pine)

*Comment: This Direction is Not Supported because disagree votes out numbered agree votes in the general survey. Specialty 'Big Box' Stores will not be brought forward for consideration in further planning.*

## 26. Small Commercial Areas in RPSC

### 26.1 Support Small Commercial Areas

*Approved*

The City should continue to support the mixed use/local serving role of C-1 zoned sites in RPSC to meet the neighbourhood shopping needs.

*Percent Agree 81/83*

People's Ideas...

- liven up the Oak and 16th area with more variety of shops
- keep mixed use developments around these small shopping areas
- ask business owners to maintain trees in front of their stores
- provide more corner stores so there is no need to get into the car to buy milk



## LARGE SITES

### 27. General Directions for All Large Sites

#### 27.1 Conduct a Community Facilities and Amenities Review

*Approved*

A broad review of existing and future needs for community facilities and amenities within (and nearby) RPSC should be conducted. To assist with the rezoning negotiation process, this review should be conducted prior-to, or in-tandem with, the first rezoning of an entire large site in RPSC.

*Percent Agree 82/80*

People's Ideas...

- phase in development and require public benefits
- preserve existing benefits and create extra benefits if there is an increase in density
- ensure redevelopment benefits everyone and enhances the community as a whole

#### 27.2 Provide Non-market, Affordable, and Special Needs Housing on Large Sites

*Approved*

Non-market, affordable, or special needs housing should be integrated with the redevelopment of each large site, and could include family and seniors' housing, accessible units, or care facilities mixed with market housing or other uses on the site.

*Percent Agree 66/66*

People's Ideas...

- provide more affordable and special needs housing
- develop seniors' housing right away with three levels of care (independent, assisted, hospice)

#### 27.3 Require Environmentally Sustainable Development on Large Sites

*Approved*

Each large site in RPSC should achieve the highest level of environmental sustainability possible by incorporating explicit 'green strategies' in redevelopment plans, especially related to greenhouse gas emissions.

*Percent Agree 81/83*

People's Ideas...

- encourage green roofs and/or extensive roof gardens
- use green strategies for conservation of energy, water, and landscaping (e.g. solar heating)
- maintain existing mature trees and landscaping
- provide space for community gardens

#### 27.4 Conduct a Traffic and Parking Analysis and Provide Neighbourhood Traffic Mitigation for Large Sites

*Approved*

An analysis of potential parking and traffic impacts from the redevelopment of each large site in RPSC should be conducted, and mitigation measures that address these impacts within the surrounding neighbourhood (e.g. local traffic calming) should be provided.

*Percent Agree 83/87*

People's Ideas...

- discourage shortcutting, keep traffic orientation toward arterial streets
- need more parking if density is increased, hide parking underground
- install corner bulges and create strong pedestrian connections around the sites

**27.5 Ensure Public Involvement in Large Site Redevelopment**

*Approved*

Each large site redevelopment in RPSC should involve the community, particularly residents and tenants of those sites, early (and often) in identifying options and in refining the proposal.

*Percent Agree 83/86*

People's Ideas...

- consult residents in the planning of the developments
- consult stakeholders, residents on the site, and those who live adjacent to the site
- ensure the public feels that they have been consulted and sees the results of their input

**28. RCMP 'Fairmont Complex'**

**28.1 Consider Institutional, Cultural, and Recreational Uses on the RCMP 'Fairmont Complex' Site**

*Approved*

Limited institutional, cultural, or recreation uses (e.g. seniors' centre, community facilities, daycare) should be considered on the RCMP 'Fairmont Complex' site (see map for Direction 28.6). New office or retail uses should not be considered when redeveloping this predominantly residential site. Any additional uses should be subject to analysis of traffic, parking and access, and other potential impacts.

*Percent Agree 76/77*

People's Ideas...

- restrict commercial, office, retail, or school uses on the site
- encourage community-oriented uses, including those for children

**28.2 Retain the 'Administration' building at 657 West 37th**

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

The 'Administration' building at 657 West 37th should be retained in the redevelopment of the RCMP 'Fairmont Complex' site.

*Percent Agree 49/47*

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in the general survey, and did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In both surveys, the Direction received substantially more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 2.9 to 1, random survey: 2.8 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional planning occurs on the site.*

28.3 Retain the 'Operations' building at 5255 Heather

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

The 'Operations' building at 5255 Heather should be retained in the redevelopment of the RCMP 'Fairmont Complex' site.

*Percent Agree 37/37*

*Comment: This Direction did not receive majority support in the general survey, and did not receive high enough agreement in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In both surveys, the Direction received more agree votes than disagree votes (general survey: 1.6 to 1, random survey: 1.7 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion when additional planning occurs on the site.*

28.4 Allow Buildings Up to Four Storeys on the RCMP 'Fairmont Complex' Site

*Approved*

Buildings on the RCMP 'Fairmont Complex' site should be low-rise (up to four storeys high). Where appropriate, lower heights should be required when creating a transition down to the lower heights of neighbouring houses, subject to analysis of views, privacy, shadowing, and other potential impacts.

*Percent Agree 57/65*

People's Ideas...

- allow a maximum of four storeys for new development
- develop with low-rise, ground-oriented townhouses

28.5 Allow Buildings Taller Than Four Storeys on the RCMP 'Fairmont Complex' Site to Achieve Public Benefits

*Not Supported*

A carefully situated building or limited number of buildings, taller than four storeys, should be considered on the RCMP 'Fairmont Complex' site, if park, open space, or other public benefits are provided. Building design and height should be subject to a thorough analysis of views, privacy, shadowing, and other potential impacts.

*Percent Agree 30/34*

People's Ideas...

- allow six to eight storeys
- allow up to twelve storeys

*Comment: This Direction is Not Supported because disagree votes outnumbered agree votes in both the general and random surveys. Buildings taller than four storeys on the RCMP 'Fairmont Complex' Site will not be brought forward for consideration when additional planning occurs on the site.*

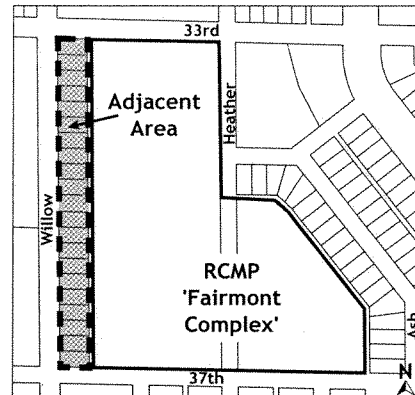
## 28.6 Consider Rezoning the Area Adjacent to the RCMP 'Fairmont Complex' Site

*Not Approved (Uncertain)*

The single family area on Willow (33rd to 37th - see Map for details) adjacent to the RCMP 'Fairmont Complex' site should also be considered for possible zoning changes when planning for its redevelopment.

*Percent Agree 50/51*

*Comment: This Direction did receive majority support in the general survey, but did not receive the required support in the random survey to be classified as Approved. In the random survey, the Direction received substantially more agree votes than disagree votes (3.0 to 1). As a result, this Direction is classified as Not Approved (Uncertain) and remains on the table for consideration and public discussion in further planning.*



## 29. St. Vincent's Hospital Site

### 29.1 Limit Office and Retail Uses on the St. Vincent's Hospital Site

*Approved*

New office and retail uses should be considered in the redevelopment of the St. Vincent's Hospital site, but limited to supporting other uses (e.g. gift or coffee shop), and subject to analysis of traffic, parking and access, and other potential impacts.

*Percent Agree 69/69*

People's Ideas...

-provide a small local retail for seniors in new buildings

### 29.2 Consider Other Institutional, Cultural, or Recreational Uses on the St. Vincent's Hospital Site

*Approved*

New institutional, cultural, or recreation uses (e.g. seniors' centre, community facilities, daycare, schools) should be considered in the redevelopment of the St. Vincent's Hospital site, subject to analysis of traffic, parking and access, and other potential impacts.

*Percent Agree 75/76*

People's Ideas...

-keep hospital use and provide three levels of seniors' care: independent, assisted, and hospice

-Seniors' care with possible kindergarten

### 29.3 Allow Buildings Up to Four Storeys on the St. Vincent's Hospital Site

*Approved*

Buildings on the St. Vincent's Hospital site should be low-rise (up to four storeys high), except for new buildings replacing the original hospital building (south-east corner at 33rd and Heather) which could be built up to approximately eight storeys.

*Percent Agree 61/69*

People's Ideas...

- design should complement the existing single family area and should not look too institutional
- keep to two or three storey scale of development

### 29.4 Allow Additional Taller Buildings on the St. Vincent's Hospital Site to Achieve Public Benefits

*Not Supported*

A carefully situated building or limited number of buildings, taller than four storeys, should be considered on the remainder of the St. Vincent's Hospital site (outside the area occupied by the original eight storey hospital building), if park, open space or other public benefits are provided. Building design and height should be subject to thorough analysis of views, privacy, shadowing, and other potential impacts.

*Percent Agree 38/38*

People's Ideas...

- provide a mix of low and high-rise buildings
- allow four to eight storey buildings
- allow up to twelve storey buildings

*Comment: This Direction is Not Supported because disagree votes outnumbered agree votes in both the general and random surveys. Additional buildings - taller than four storeys - on the St. Vincent's Hospital Site will not be brought forward for consideration when additional planning occurs on the site.*

## 30. Balfour Site

### 30.1 Restrict Mixed Use on the Balfour Site

*Approved*

New commercial or retail uses should not be considered in any redevelopment of the Balfour site.

*Percent Agree 64/64*

People's Ideas...

- should be single family or duplex, no medium or high-rise development
- do not allow commercial or office uses
- allow traditional and/or courtyard rowhouses

### 30.2 Limit Buildings to Three Storeys on the Balfour Site

*Approved*

Buildings on the Balfour site should be limited to three-storeys, and about 35 feet, subject to analysis of views, privacy, shadowing, and other potential impacts.

*Percent Agree 69/70*

People's Ideas...

- maintain existing height
- keep height low at 2 to 4 storeys
- ensure building form is in keeping with the neighbourhood

### 31. Little Mountain Housing

#### 31.1 Maintain Non-market Housing Units and Provide Tenant Relocation Assistance

*Approved*

Any redevelopment of Little Mountain Housing should maintain, as a minimum, an equivalent number of non-market housing units. Housing tenants must have relocation assistance and be given priority for new social housing units built on the Little Mountain Housing site.

*Percent Agree 67/68*

People's Ideas...

- provide both market and non-market housing but do not reduce the amount of non-market housing
- do not dislocate tenants, redevelop in phases to minimize disruption
- consult residents when planning for development

#### 31.2 Consider a Mix of Uses on Little Mountain Housing Site

*Approved*

New retail and commercial uses should be considered along the Main Street frontage in redevelopment of the Little Mountain Housing site. Limited institutional, cultural, or recreation uses (e.g. seniors' centre, community facilities, daycare, library) should also be considered. Addition of any uses should be subject to analysis of traffic, parking and access, and other potential impacts.

*Percent Agree 70/74*

People's Ideas...

- place commercial uses on Main
- provide opportunities for a diversity of small businesses (builds community)
- allow retail/services such as medium sized grocery store, medical services, and library on Main frontage

#### 31.3 Allow Buildings Taller Than Four Storeys on Little Mountain Housing Site to Achieve Public Benefit

*Not Supported*

A carefully situated building, or limited number of buildings, taller than the currently permitted four storeys, should be considered on the Little Mountain Housing site, if park, open space, or other public benefits are provided. Building design and height would be subject to thorough analysis of views, privacy, shadowing, and other potential impacts.

*Percent Agree 36/38*

People's Ideas...

- support low-rise but perhaps taller buildings could be built toward the centre of the site
- may have to increase heights to achieve a mix of housing types, but must be sensitive to surrounding single family housing
- allow eight storeys to help keep the streets wide and provide more green space
- allow up to 12 storeys

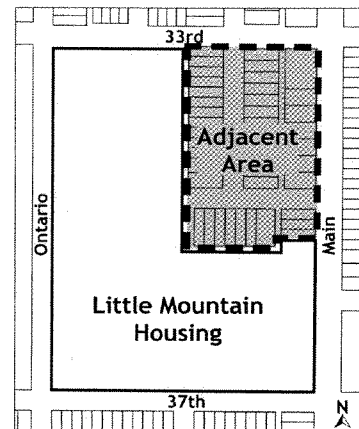
*Comment: This Direction is Not Supported because disagree votes out numbered agree votes in both the general and random surveys. Buildings taller than four storeys on the Little Mountain Housing Site will not be brought forward for consideration when additional planning occurs on the site.*

31.4 Consider Rezoning the Area Adjacent to the Little Mountain Housing Site

*Approved*

The single family and apartment area (south of 33rd and west of Main - see Map for details) adjacent to Little Mountain Housing should also be considered for possible zoning changes when planning for its redevelopment.

*Percent Agree 55/57*



## **PARKS, STREETS, LANES, AND PUBLIC PLACES**

### **32. Parks & Public Places, Streets, Lanes, and Views**

#### **32.1 Develop More Usable Parks and School Grounds**

*Approved*

Park design, appearance, and uses should be more varied in order to serve a diverse population. School grounds should also be attractive, usable community spaces.

*Percent Agree 87/91*

People's Ideas...

- offer games in park landscaping (e.g. checker board), design and build more creative play toys for kids, and provide exercise equipment in parks (e.g. like Burnaby Central Park)
- provide a covered area for Tai Chi, weddings, and weather protection from the rain
- provide guides and maps for visitors
- build elevated planting beds with viewing benches in convenient locations and also build community gardens at waist level
- plant native plant areas and more wild areas in parks for education and enjoyment
- make school grounds more park-like with more trees and grassy areas and a school ground gardening programs should be developed
- develop all weather playing fields so that people can play at night

#### **32.2 Involve the Public in the Implementation of the Mountain View Cemetery Master Plan**

*Approved*

There should be significant public involvement in the implementation of the Master Plan and in the on-going operations of Mountain View Cemetery.

*Percent Agree 72/73*

People's Ideas...

- conduct public consultation about the location of buildings and service yards to reduce impacts on residents
- redevelopment should address neighbours' concerns about noise from cemetery operations

#### **32.3 Enhance Mountain View Cemetery**

*Approved*

Mountain View Cemetery should be further enhanced as a public place during redevelopment.

*Percent Agree 68/70*

People's Ideas...

- encourage planting memorials instead of markers
- encourage park-like elements in the cemetery and perhaps include the old stream as an element
- revamp the area around the WW1 memorial, perhaps build a walkway to it with lighting similar to that in Victory Park
- encourage historical preservation by having walking tours of the cemetery and restoration of grave markers
- establish tree identification tours
- encourage community involvement in the space while being sensitive to memorial park use



#### 32.4 Improve Safety In and Around Parks

*Approved*

Safety in and around parks should be improved. Park use, design, and maintenance should take safety further into account. Safety improvements (e.g. lighting) should be sensitive to adjacent neighbours.

*Percent Agree 84/90*

People's Ideas...

- provide more lighting at night in parks
- design parks and school grounds to discourage 'hanging out'
- provide and encourage more after hours activities in parks, especially in Queen Elizabeth Park and school grounds, to increase security
- provide some type of security presence, uniformed security or on-site care takers

#### 32.5 Improve Maintenance of Parks

*Approved*

Park grounds, structures, and facilities should be better maintained.

*Percent Agree 76/81*

People's Ideas...

- make improvements to the bike trails on the park site at 37th and Oak, which are not maintained and cause safety concerns
- address weedy, unsightly, and uneven playing field in Grimmatt Park

#### 32.6 Control Dogs in Parks and Public Places

*Approved*

Parks and public open spaces should be shared between dog owners and non-dog owners. On-leash areas and off-leash times should be observed. More should be done to ensure dog owners clean-up after their dogs and keep their pets under control when off-leash.

*Percent Agree 77/82*

People's Ideas...

- enforce the no dog off-leash regulations in Mountain View Cemetery
- provide plastic bags for dog owners to clean up after their pets in parks and in Mountain View Cemetery
- include an off-leash dog park in the Riley Hillcrest Masterplan, perhaps build enclosed areas for dogs to play in
- need more enforcement of on-leash area in parks and better defined off-leash areas with more signage
- start dog waste management initiative in Queen Elizabeth Park (e.g. special containers, waste system)

### 32.7 Greening and Beautifying Public Streets

*Approved*

Streets should continue to be pleasant green links that connect the neighbourhood by:

- protecting existing boulevards and street trees, and planting new trees wherever possible
- encouraging residents to extend private gardening into the space between the sidewalk and the curb
- encouraging residents to landscape traffic circles and curb bulges
- beautifying with benches and public art
- landscaping all medians.

*Percent Agree 85/90*

People's Ideas...

- provide benches and sculptures along street medians, and add banners and baskets to beautify public streets
- encourage a variety of landscaping along public streets (e.g. public gardens, and curb side plantings done by the community)
- provide seating areas and water fountains along streets, particularly those with hills
- develop more traffic circle community gardens
- promote community projects like 'blooming boulevards' to plant native plants
- bulges should have seating areas, public art, and bike racks
- plant big trees along arterial streets

### 32.8 Preserve the Cambie Heritage Boulevard

*Approved*

Cambie Heritage Boulevard is an historic and characteristic element of RPSC. It should be preserved as a public place in the community and the existing trees should be kept and maintained, or replaced where needed.

*Percent Agree 84/86*

People's Ideas...

- ensure no trees are cut down from the boulevard
- preserve the Cambie Heritage Boulevard whether RAV goes through or not
- control landscaping to prevent view blockage on the boulevard

### 32.9 Encourage More Greening of Residential Lanes

*Approved*

Many lanes in RPSC are unattractive and uninviting for pedestrians and cyclists, and are not environmentally friendly. Residents should be encouraged to pursue alternatives to fully paved lanes, to allow for more greenery and more permeability for storm water. Ensure these alternatives are available to homeowners when they vote on lane improvements.

*Percent Agree 77/78*

People's Ideas...

- encourage green laneways and retrofit for greater rain water permeability in lanes
- encourage 'positive people activity' in lanes (e.g. promote pedestrian and bike use)
- clean and maintain lanes
- lower fences to encourage neighbour interaction, better for safety and lane appearance
- encourage backyard/lane gardening and plant trees

### 32.10 Preserve Views

#### *Approved*

Views to the north shore mountains and downtown Vancouver, from public places like Mountain View Cemetery, and north/south streets should be protected, without the loss of trees. Viewpoints should be made more enjoyable.

*Percent Agree 86/90*

#### People's Ideas...

- provide benches and rest areas in view areas
- make view across Mountain View Cemetery more accessible, it is underutilized because the area is uninviting
- preserve views of the north shore mountains from north/south streets (e.g. Cambie and Main)
- control landscaping to prevent view blockage

## ENVIRONMENT

### 33. Environment

#### 33.1 Take Action to Reduce Waste, Increase Recycling and Composting

*Approved*

Individuals and businesses should take the initiative (with City support) to decrease waste and increase the amount they recycle and reuse materials, and compost. They should also use more environmentally friendly products.

*Percent Agree 91/95*

People's Ideas...

- choose items that have less packaging
- turn yard waste (e.g. leaves and grass clippings) into compost/mulch
- encourage business customers to properly dispose of containers (e.g. McDonalds)
- host community garage sales and swap meets
- encourage manufacturers to use plastics and packaging that can be easily recycled

#### 33.2 Take Action to Conserve Water & Energy

*Approved*

Individuals and businesses (with City support) should act to conserve water and energy.

*Percent Agree 85/91*

People's Ideas...

- encourage the use of rain barrels vs. watering, and make access to rain barrels easier (e.g. at community centres or have them delivered to residents)
- limit lawn sprinkling, obey water restrictions
- install water meters on all houses (user pay)
- install low-flush toilets and shower heads that conserve water

#### 33.3 Clean-up the Community

*Approved*

The community and the City should work together to keep RPSC clean and litter free. These efforts should include:

- encouraging co-operative efforts by the community to solve garbage, litter, and cleanliness issues
- enforcing regulations when needed, including the use of fines and penalties
- adding more waste disposal receptacles, community notice boards, and poster cylinders on utility poles in strategic locations
- improving education and access to information about the services and programs offered by the City.

*Percent Agree 93/95*

People's Ideas...

- provide 'contact info' stickers on garbage dumpsters so people can report illegal dumping
- need better enforcement and removal of graffiti
- encourage pet owners to pick-up after their dogs
- install more garbage and pet waste containers with animal proof lids in Queen Elizabeth Park, Mountain View Cemetery, bus stop locations at 37th, Fraser, Hamber Park, Cambie, and Main

- create designated places for community notices to be posted (e.g. easy peel areas); and improve enforcement for people posting on utility poles
- promote public education on the 'do's and don'ts' of garbage disposal

### 33.4 Expand Recycling and Composting

*Approved*

The community and the City should continue to identify ways to expand recycling and composting programs, including developing partnerships with other agencies and businesses.

*Percent Agree 89/91*

People's Ideas...

- encourage materials from houses slated for demolition to be re-used/scavenged
- hold community 'trash/trade day' to exchange/sell clothing, furniture etc.
- increase community awareness on the existing recycling programs and depot sites
- provide community accessible composters (e.g. at community centres)
- encourage schools to organize neighbourhood recycling fund raising events
- have the Vancouver School Board initiate recycling programs in all schools
- add a fee to recycling programs to fund research and development for uses of recycled materials

### 33.5 Reduce Urban Noise

*Approved*

The community and the City should explore ways to further reduce urban noise from sources like loud music, leaf blowers, late night parties, traffic, and lawnmowers. This could include a review of existing by-laws and more enforcement.

*Percent Agree 76/76*

People's Ideas...

- regulate the noise level for lawnmowers and leaf blowers
- restrict the number of commercial gardening machines
- review, tighten, and enforce the Noise By-law
- use manual push lawnmowers

### 33.6 Collect and Recycle Hard-to-Dispose-of Items

*Approved*

The community and the City should explore opportunities for residents to safely and easily discard and/or recycle hard-to-dispose-of items such as household hazardous wastes and bulky household items.

*Percent Agree 88/91*

People's Ideas...

- have a hazardous waste truck (noted on the recycling schedule) visit each community throughout the year to collect materials like gyprock, paint cans, and asbestos
- provide more accessible drop-off sites for materials and furniture recycling, small appliances, etc. (e.g. maybe at Queen Elizabeth Park or Nat Bailey Stadium, community centres)
- promote information about hazardous waste disposal

### 33.7 Encourage Sustainable Development

*Approved*

The community and the City should encourage all new development, including renovations and additions, to adopt more sustainable practices and 'green strategies' such as storm water management, energy and water use reduction, alternative energy sources, green roofs, and water recycling.

*Percent Agree 84/86*

People's Ideas...

- introduce an environmental point system to encourage builders/developers to 'go green', and the points could be applied toward a possible tax break
- develop building codes to allow 'green roofs'
- establish a fund to pay for energy reductions in large buildings (public and private), with the owner repaying the money with energy savings, thereby sustaining the fund
- implement financial/tax incentives for homeowners who install energy reduction systems and environmental alternatives, such as solar power

### 33.8 Grow More Food Locally

*Approved*

The community and the City should encourage more food to be grown and distributed locally, which could include the development of more individual and community gardens, and the planting of fruit trees on public and private property.

*Percent Agree 74/73*

People's Ideas...

- develop a program where people without a garden can help seniors with gardens that they can't manage anymore
- provide space on each block for residents to grow their own fruits and vegetables
- plant fruit trees on school properties for kids to harvest
- encourage residents to plant their own fruits and vegetables
- create a sustainable park space (e.g. plant fruit trees, community gardens)

### 33.9 Restore Old Streams and Reduce Storm Water Runoff

*Approved*

The community and the City should support initiatives to daylight culverted streams (restore natural open water channels) and reduce storm water runoff.

*Percent Agree 76/76*

People's Ideas...

- reduce water runoff by encouraging water percolation (e.g. create rain gardens, gravel areas away from houses with plants to absorb rain runoff)
- encourage the planting of drought tolerant plants
- daylight Brewery Creek along St. George and the old stream in Mountain View Cemetery as part of its redevelopment

### 33.10 Working with Other Levels of Government

#### *Approved*

The City should provide leadership and partner with the regional, provincial, and federal governments to preserve and enhance the environment, including:

- supporting the development and use of environmentally friendly products
- adopting additional measures to increase water and energy conservation
- incorporating more sustainable practices with their own operations
- adopting measures to improve air quality including tougher emissions standards
- encouraging the development and use of alternative energy sources.

#### *Percent Agree 82/84*

#### *People's Ideas...*

- convert City vehicles to use alternative fuels
- encourage alternative energy sources for homes and sell back the excess to the grid
- use environmentally friendly buses
- develop stronger air pollution standards for autos and trucks
- encourage manufacturers of commercial gardening equipment to build them quieter
- install aircraft noise monitoring devices at problem locations and work with Transport Canada to mitigate problems
- work with other levels of government to support and promote alternative energy sources (e.g. solar, wind, energy efficient homes, lighting, fuel cells, geothermal heating) in facilities such as community centres and pools

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT in DECISION MAKING

### 34. Community Involvement in Decision Making

#### 34.1 Community Involvement in Decision Making

*Approved*

RPSC residents should have greater, and timelier, input into decision making about changes in their community. Community involvement should be included in major initiatives like the redevelopment of large sites, the implementation of 'master plans' (e.g. Riley Hillcrest and Mountain View Cemetery), and the introduction of RAV rapid transit stations. It should also be part of recurring decisions such as changes to streets and traffic patterns, the provision of facilities and services, and the review of development proposals.

*Percent Agree 87/92*

Peoples Ideas...

-need a process for on-going community review of development

#### 34.2 Community Involvement in Vision Implementation and Monitoring

*Approved*

Community residents should be involved with the City in the implementation of Vision Directions, and in monitoring and evaluating how well implementation actions work toward achieving Vision Directions.

*Percent Agree 87/91*



## Rezoning Policy Following the Riley Park/South Cambie Community Vision

### 1. About Zoning in General

#### 1.1 How Zoning Works

The Zoning and Development Bylaw is the main way the City controls development - new buildings, additions to existing buildings, or changes in the use of buildings and land.

There are different zoning districts, labelled by letters and numbers. For example RS-1 covers most of Riley Park/South Cambie's single family areas and C-2 zones cover the larger shopping areas. Every lot in a zoning district is governed by the same regulations and guidelines. The regulations are contained in a District Schedule. They control the kind of activities (uses) that may take place, such as office, retail, dwelling, or manufacturing. District Schedules also control various quantitative aspects of the development including the maximum height of buildings, the position of building on the lot (yards and setbacks), the amount of total development (floorspace or density), and the amount of parking required.

In addition to the District Schedule with its regulations, some zones also have design review, using Design Guidelines. Design review looks at qualitative factors such as style or character, the materials used, or the landscaping. Legally, districts with design review are structured to have two types of projects: those that may go ahead without design review (often called 'outright') and those that are subject to design review (often called 'conditional' or 'discretionary') because they receive additional density, or approval of a conditional use, in return for meeting the design guidelines.

Another type of district is the CD-1 or Comprehensive Development district. Many of these are tailored to a specific site, such as Children's and Women's Hospital. Other CD zones cover a broad area, such as First Shaughnessy or the Downtown. This tool is used where a typical District Schedule and Guidelines approach is not suitable.

#### 1.2 How Zoning is Changed

Anyone may apply to alter the zoning - property owner, resident, or the Director of Planning. However, only City Council may actually adopt or change zoning or guidelines. Staff analyze and process applications and then make recommendations to City Council. During processing there is always public notification and some consultation. A formal Public Hearing is always required at the end of the rezoning process before City Council decides.

Because rezoning is time-consuming and expensive, City staff usually advise potential applicants before they make an application whether or not staff would 'consider' the rezoning (that is, fully process it), rather than quickly reporting it to Council with a recommendation to refuse the application. Staff give this advice based on existing City plans and policies, including Community Visions.

### 2. Rezoning Under the Riley Park/South Cambie Community Vision

Making some of the Riley Park/South Cambie Vision Directions happen will require rezoning or amendments to zoning. For most, additional area planning will be required before any zoning changes would be considered, and individual rezonings would not be considered prior to this planning (section 2.2 below). However, there are some cases where individual rezoning could be considered without additional area planning (section 2.1 below). Note that 'considered' refers to being taken into the system for processing, it does not necessarily mean that the applications will receive support from staff or approval from City Council.

## 2.1 Additional Area Planning Not Required Before Rezoning

Rezoning applications for the types of projects listed below could be considered without additional area planning because they further adopted city-wide policies, would further an adopted Vision Direction, or are normal practice in the public interest. Most are 'site specific' rezonings on individual sites. There would be community consultation in each case. In considering these rezonings, staff would look at not only the needs of the project but also how it relates to its existing surroundings, and to the future of the area as described in the Community Vision.

**Table 2.1 Additional Area Planning Not Required Before Rezoning**

Type of Project that Could be Considered for Site Specific Rezoning	Comments
<p><b>Heritage Retention Projects</b> - involving retention of buildings on the Vancouver Heritage Register (also Vision Direction 13.1)</p>	<p>City-wide policy to encourage retention of heritage resources</p>
<p><b>Social or Affordable Housing Projects</b> -non-profit projects, housing agreement projects, special needs residential facilities (SNRFs)</p> <p><b>Note on definitions</b> Housing agreement: a contract between the City and developer to guarantee some of the housing units as rental or low income, etc. SNRFs: housing and support services for people with special needs including the elderly, children in care, the mentally or physically handicapped, people with substance abuse problems, etc.</p>	<p>City-wide policy to encourage housing for lower income and special needs residents</p>
<p><b>Housing Demonstration Projects (HDP)</b> -in order to be considered as an HDP, a project 'must demonstrate a new housing form in the neighbourhood, improved affordability, and a degree of neighbourhood support; any increase in land value beyond the normal profit allowed by the City's standard bonussing process, must be converted into improved affordability' (January 3, 1996 City Council report) -in addition, in Riley Park/South Cambie, any HDP proposals would need to conform to Vision Directions about type, location, scale, etc.</p>	<p>City-wide policy to permit demonstration of new housing types</p>
<p><b>Institutional uses</b> Projects focusing on expansion, downsizing, or reuse of publicly owned or non-profit institutional, cultural, recreational, utility, or public authority uses</p>	<p>Normal City practice</p>
<p><b>Housekeeping amendments; zoning text amendments</b> - initiated by the Director of Planning to update, correct, or make minor revisions to District Schedules or Guidelines</p>	<p>Normal City practice</p>
<p><b>In Riley Park/South Cambie:</b> <b>Change to Existing CD-1 Zones</b> - as per Vision Direction 14.1 <b>Seniors Housing</b> - as per Vision Direction 15.11 <b>Adding a Conventional Supermarket on Main, Fraser &amp; Cambie</b> - as per Vision Directions 18.6, 19.2, and 20.4 <b>Retain a Supermarket at Oakridge Shopping Centre &amp; King Edward Mall</b> - as per Vision Directions 21.3 and 22.8</p>	<p>Riley Park/South Cambie Community Vision</p> <p>Within identified key shopping areas</p> <p>Note that Oakridge S.C. is outside the RPSC boundary.</p>

Type of Project that Could be Considered for Site Specific Rezoning	Comments
<p>(Table 2.1- Continued)  <b>Large Sites</b>                      - as per 'General Directions for All Large Sites' 27.1 - 27.5                      - as per King Edward Mall Vision Directions 22.3, 22.4, 22.5, 22.7, and 22.8                      - as per St. Vincent's Hospital Site Vision Directions 29.1, 29.2 and 29.3                      - as per Balfour Site Vision Directions 30.1 and 30.2                      - as per Little Mountain Housing Vision Directions 31.1, 31.2 and 31.4                      - as per RCMP 'Fairmont Complex' Vision Directions 28.1 and 28.4.                      Note that rezoning of this site should also take into account three Directions classified as 'Uncertain' (28.2, 28.3 and 28.6) as they had more community support than opposition.</p>	<p>Note each Large Site rezoning requires compliance with Vision Directions 27.1 - 27.5 as well as the specific Directions listed</p>
<p><b>Oakridge/Langara Policy Statement (1995)</b>                      Sites within Riley Park/South Cambie that are not addressed in the Vision because the Oakridge/Langara Policy Statement allows for site specific rezonings of these sites, i.e., the TransLink 'Bus Barn' Site, identified sites along Oak, Willow and Cambie between 37<sup>th</sup> and 41<sup>st</sup>, and the 'Reserve Sub Area' on 41<sup>st</sup> between Cambie and Willow.</p>	<p>Oakridge/Langara Policy Statement</p>

**2.2 Additional Planning Required Before Rezoning**

The Riley Park/South Cambie Vision Directions listed below require additional planning study before rezoning occurs. For some Directions, the study would cover a portion Riley Park/South Cambie; others might be city-wide in scope. The types of things that would be studied could include the size, height, locations, and design of developments, traffic and parking, parks and green space, service needs, developer contributions to cost, phasing and so forth. Planning studies would be initiated by the City, but might be undertaken by City staff, consultants, community members, or a combination. In all cases, there would be community consultation throughout the study.

Timing and priorities for these studies, as well as other aspects of implementing the Visions, will be determined with community input, as well as through City Council consideration of available resources and competing work priorities. Individual site rezonings will not be considered in advance of the planning, other than as noted in Section 2.1 (above).

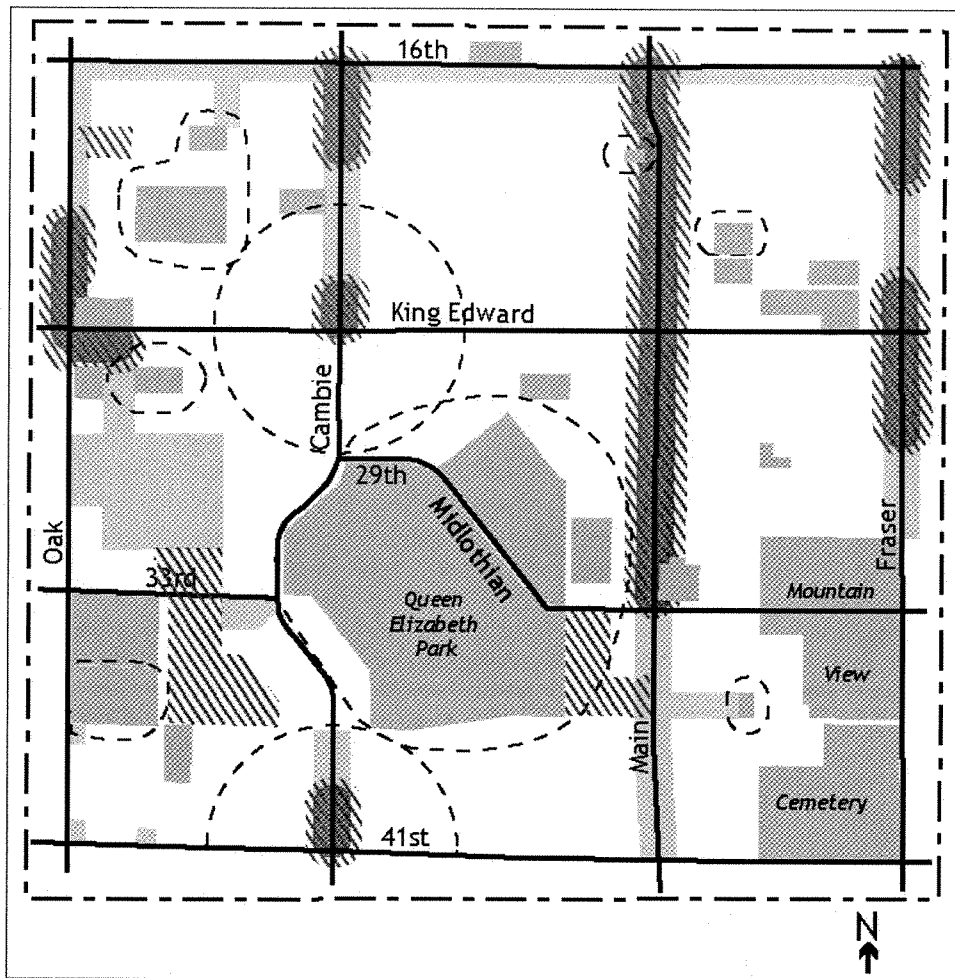
**Table 2.2: Additional Planning Required Before Rezoning**

Riley Park/South Cambie Vision Direction	Possible types of additional planning study
<p><b>Design of New Single Family Homes</b> 12.1 Design of New Single Family Houses</p> <p>12.2 Public Involvement in Review of New Single Family House Design 12.3 Improve Quality and Sustainability of Single Family Housing</p>	<p>Mini-program to make design review available in interested areas</p> <p>More detailed planning and consultation involving single family zoning</p>
<p><b>Older Character Buildings and Heritage</b> 13.2 Retaining Other Character Buildings 18.3 Retain Character Buildings on Main Street</p>	<p>Specific planning study on feasibility of this in RPSC</p>
<p><b>Main Street Policy Review</b> 18.2 Review Policy for Main Street</p>	<p>More detailed planning to review zoning and other policies for Main from 16<sup>th</sup> - 33<sup>rd</sup></p>
<p><b>Possible New Housing Types</b> 15.1 Allow More Infill 15.2 Allow More Duplexes 15.3 Allow Some Cottages or Small Houses on Shared Lots</p> <p>Several Directions classified as ‘Uncertain’ identify housing types (15.4, 15.5, and 15.6) which had more community support than opposition, and could be the subject of more community discussion</p>	<p>More detailed planning for specific areas of Riley Park/South Cambie</p> <p>Detailed local planning and consultation of housing options in a City initiated process</p>
<p><b>Possible New Housing Locations</b> 16.1 New Housing Types on Corner Lots or Irregular Subdivision Areas 16.3 New Housing Types Around Parks and Community Centres 16.4 New Housing Types Around King Edward RAV Station 16.5 New Housing Types North of 41<sup>st</sup> RAV Station</p> <p>Two Directions classified as ‘Uncertain’ identify housing locations (16.1 and 16.6) which had more community support than opposition, and could be the subject of more community discussion</p>	<p>More detailed planning for specific areas of Riley Park/South Cambie</p> <p>Detailed local planning and consultation of housing options in a City initiated process</p>
<p><b>Shopping Areas</b> 18.8 Provide Additional Housing Near Main Street Shopping Area 19.3 Provide Additional Housing Near Fraser Street Shopping Area 20.6 Provide Additional Housing Near Cambie Street (16<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>) Shopping Area 21.5 Provide Additional Housing Near Cambie and 41<sup>st</sup> Street Shopping Area 22.2 Provide Additional Housing Near Oak and King Edward Shopping Area</p>	<p>More detailed planning for the areas around the Riley Park/ South Cambie shopping areas</p>

**2.3 Other**

The sections above provide guidance for most rezoning inquiries. However, there may be rare sites for which development under the existing zoning would involve the loss of features which the community, in its Vision, views as assets. The prime example is trees and landscaping, but in some cases buildings or structures may also be valued (but not qualify as heritage). In these cases, rezoning that would maintain the assets may be considered. Further, this will apply only to large sites that were in single ownership at the time of the Vision adoption. Finally, achieving Vision Directions would remain the focus while considering the rezoning.

## RPSC Community Vision Highlights



--- Vision Area Boundary

□ Single family areas: maintain most areas; consider design review, retaining heritage and character buildings

▨ Add housing variety near shopping areas, and on large sites

○ Add housing variety around RAV stations, parks and community centres

**ALSO:**

Community Services and Facilities: expanded facilities (2010 Olympics) and more programs and affordable services for seniors, youth and families

Safety & Crime Prevention: more individual, community and City effort; address youth crime and support Community Policing Centre

Community Involvement in Decisions: more effective and timely

— Arterial streets: improve for pedestrians, transit users, and residents

▨ Main Street, Fraser Street, Cambie (16th - 19th) & King Edward RAV Station, Cambie (39th - 41st) & RAV Station, and Oak & King Edward: enhance as shopping areas - more attractive, cleaner and greener

□ Parks and school grounds: improve for more diverse activities and enhanced safety

□ Other zones

Note: boundaries approximate

## CITYPLAN DIRECTIONS AND COMMUNITY VISIONS DIRECTIONS

The Community Visions Program terms of reference specify that the Community Visions must address all CityPlan topics, and move in CityPlan directions. The following notes describe how the ARKS and RPSC Community Vision Directions do this. In each case, the overall CityPlan Direction is quoted and the ways in which the Visions promote it are summarized. The level of support at the CityPlan final survey [CityPlan: A Survey of Vancouver Residents, October 1994] is compared with the level of support in the Visions Choices Surveys. Where individual Vision Direction survey results are shown they include both the 'general' and 'random' survey numbers (i.e. 50% 'general'/55% 'random'). Some additional facts that may be helpful are provided in some cases.

The CityPlan topics are:

1. Neighbourhood Centres
2. Neighbourhood Housing Variety
3. Distinctive Neighbourhood Character
4. Accessible, Community-based Services
5. Working Together to Promote Safety
6. Addressing Housing Costs
7. Art and Culture in a Creative City
8. New and More Diverse Public Places
9. Diverse Economy and Jobs Close to Home
10. Transit, Walking and Biking as a Priority
11. Clean Air and Water
12. Downtown Vancouver
13. People Involved in Decision-Making
14. Financial Accountability

### **1. Neighbourhood Centres**

#### CityPlan Direction

"Create neighbourhoods that provide residents with a variety of housing, jobs and services; create neighbourhood centres that become the civic, public heart of each neighbourhood; and plan the centres with local people to meet the current and emerging needs of residents and local businesses."

### Community Visions

The RPSC Vision confirmed five key shopping areas, all along transit lines, to act as neighbourhood centres; called for their improvement into better community places; and supported additional housing around each of the key shopping areas. The ARKS Vision confirmed Kerrisdale Village and three small commercial areas as key shopping areas. Creation of a new neighbourhood centre at Arbutus Village and an extension of the local shopping area at 16<sup>th</sup> and Macdonald were also supported. Both Visions also called for supermarkets in neighbourhood centres; a range of shops and services; improved pedestrian comfort and safety; and more pedestrian amenities.

### Level of Support

Prior CityPlan survey support for neighbourhood centres [50%] was increased in terms of support for strengthening and improving shopping areas (RPSC 74% - 91%; ARKS 70 - 80%). Support for a new neighbourhood centre at Arbutus Village (57% - 64%) and the extension of the 16<sup>th</sup> and Macdonald shopping area (59% - 55%) also exceeded CityPlan survey support. These shopping areas already have housing potential and Vision Directions add to this (see below).

## **2. Neighbourhood Housing Variety**

### CityPlan Direction

"Increase neighbourhood housing variety throughout the city, especially in neighbourhood centres; and gives people the opportunity to stay in their neighbourhoods as their housing needs change and, by doing so, take a share of regional growth."

### Community Visions

Existing zoned capacity of 3,200 units in ARKS and 3,400 units in RPSC exceeded estimated demand (to 2021) of 1,200 units in ARKS and 1,000 units in RPSC. However, both communities had less ground-oriented housing capacity than estimated future demand. From Vision Directions, the ground-oriented capacity could be increased by up to 3,000 units in ARKS and 3,100 units in RPSC. In ARKS, new housing was supported on or near arterial roads and near shopping areas, and new housing and multiple conversion dwellings were supported on large lots. In RPSC, new housing was supported on corner lots or irregular subdivision areas, around parks and community centres, and around the King Edward and 41<sup>st</sup> RAV stations. On large sites, existing City policy supports new market housing and the RPSC Vision supports the inclusion of non-market housing (see "6. Addressing Housing Costs"). In RPSC, three new housing types were supported; infill, duplexes, and small houses on shared lots. Seniors' housing was supported in both Vision areas.

### Level of Support

Prior CityPlan survey support [50%] has been somewhat increased. Support for infill,

duplexes and small houses or cottages in RPSC ranged from 61% - 69%. Support for seniors housing was strong (RPSC 81%/84%, ARKS 78/82%). In RPSC, new housing on corner lots or irregular subdivision areas, around parks & community centres, and the King Edward and 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue RAV stations received support ranging from 53% - 59%. Vision Directions in ARKS calling for new housing on large lots, on or near arterial roads and near shopping areas received support ranging from 51% - 68%, while MCDs on large lots received 61%/63% support.

### **3. Distinctive Neighbourhood Character**

#### CityPlan Direction

"Support the creation of a distinctive look and feel for each neighbourhood; and use guidelines based on this character to determine the design of new development."

#### Community Visions

RPSC and ARKS Vision Directions supported the maintenance of most single family areas, design review for new single family houses; greater public involvement in the review of single family houses; retention of character and heritage buildings; improvements in appearance of local shopping areas; more greening of parks, streets and lanes; and protection of public views. RPSC supported better design of mixed use development, and new housing types subject to design controls. RPSC also supported retaining character on Main Street and reflecting its unique character in the design of the 'Showcase' initiative. ARKS supported retention of character homes on large lots by allowing MCDs, the retention of existing public buildings with heritage character, and well-designed new public buildings.

#### Level of Support

Support level in CityPlan survey [67%] is slightly increased by support for Directions on: maintenance of most single family areas (RPSC 79%/78%, ARKS 86%/84%); design review (RPSC 77%/77%, ARKS 80%/76%); public involvement in single family design review (RPSC 57%/66%, ARKS 66%/66%); heritage building retention (RPSC 81%/84%, ARKS 78%/77%); character building retention (RPSC 76%/81%, ARKS 74%/71%); and, character retention on Main Street (RPSC 77%/79%). ARKS supported retaining existing public buildings (82%/79%) and well-designed new public buildings (87%/90%).

### **4. Accessible, Community-based Services**

#### CityPlan Direction

"Provide better access to City services for people who most need them and for people who currently have difficulty getting the services they require; and increasingly deliver services locally and in consultation with users."



### Community Visions

Out of the broad range of services in the communities, the Vision workshops focussed on services and facilities that are either provided directly by, or partly funded by, the City. RPSC Directions called for more affordable programs; programs for children and families; more indoor recreation programs, improving Riley Park Library services; and it also endorsed existing Park Board policy for the Percy Norman and Mount Pleasant Pools. RPSC also called for a community facilities and amenities review associated with the redevelopment of large sites. ARKS Directions called for expanded space in Kerrisdale Community Centre, more public recreation facilities in Arbutus Ridge and Shaughnessy; and for upgrades of Kerrisdale Pool, Maple Grove Pool, Kerrisdale Arena and Kerrisdale Library. Both ARKS and RPSC supported more programs and facilities for seniors and youth.

### Level of Support

Prior CityPlan survey support was 70% for a very general statement. Facilities and programs for seniors, youth, families and children received significant support (RPSC 72% - 80%, ARKS 66% - 68%), as did making programs more affordable (RPSC 68%/72%) and improving Riley Park Library (RPSC 78%/81%). More indoor recreation programs (RPSC 70%/73%) and endorsing Percy Norman and Mount Pleasant Pool policy (77%/82%) received similar support, as did support for conducting a community facilities and amenities review (82% - 80%). The improvement of community facilities in ARKS received a range of support (63% - 77%) consistent with the CityPlan survey.

## **5. Working Together to Promote Safety**

### CityPlan Direction

"Improve community safety by emphasizing the prevention of crime and reducing unsafe conditions."

### Community Visions

Both Visions supported individual, community and City efforts on community crime prevention including support for: Community Policing Centres (CPCs); enhancement of police services; more efforts to prevent youth crime; improved safety in and around parks; and for enhanced safety on arterial and local streets. Public consultation in location of treatment facilities was also supported in ARKS and RPSC. RPSC supported the need to address crime and safety concerns during the design and operation of future RAV stations at King Edward and 41<sup>st</sup>.

### Level of Support

Prior CityPlan survey support [84%] is consistent with RPSC (76%-90%) and ARKS (76%-87%) levels of support.

## 6. Addressing Housing Costs

### CityPlan Direction

"Increase the supply of subsidized and lower cost market housing throughout the city through the use of senior government programs, private sector initiatives, and City regulations and subsidies."

### Community Visions

Directions supported in RPSC include various new housing types and senior's housing. In ARKS, MCDs were supported for the first time in a Vision. An RPSC Vision Direction of providing non-market, affordable and special needs housing on large sites was supported, as was maintaining non-market units on the Little Mountain Housing site. RPSC also supported City efforts to urge senior government to reinstate funding for non-market housing.

### Level of Support

Prior CityPlan support was 67%. Support was indicated for new housing types (RPSC 58%/63%) and seniors housing (RPSC 81%/84%, ARKS 78%/82%). In RPSC, non-market housing was supported for large sites (66%/66%) and for Little Mountain (67%/68%). RPSC also supported more funding from senior governments for non-market housing (59%/61%).

## 7. Art and Culture in a Creative City

### CityPlan Direction

"Make Vancouver a City where creativity is valued and contributes to our cultural, social, and economic development; and expand partnerships between arts organizations, civic institutions, and the private sector that reflect neighbourhood needs, cultural diversity, and the artist's role."

### Community Visions

In RPSC, workshop participants stressed that public art and cultural activities are important. Support was shown in the Directions for encouraging public art and more initiatives for arts and culture, and retention of the Park Theatre. ARKS supported the inclusion of public art in public places within the neighbourhood centres at Kerrisdale and Arbutus Village, as well as in the small local shopping areas, to make these areas more attractive.

### Level of Support

Prior CityPlan support was 55%. In RPSC, support for encouraging public art (66%/67%) and providing more initiatives for arts and culture in RPSC was higher (68%/70%), as was

support for retaining the Park Theatre (86%- 88%). Similarly, ARKS supported the inclusion of public art within the neighbourhood centres and small local shopping areas (73% - 78%).

## **8. New and More Diverse Public Places**

### CityPlan Direction

"Ensure that the number and quality of the city's public places (parks, streets, schools, institutions and plazas) matches the needs of a growing and increasingly diverse population; and encourage neighbourhoods and businesses to participate in enhancing the city's public places."

### Community Visions

Directions from ARKS and RPSC on greening and beautifying public streets and lanes, improving treatments in parks and school grounds, preserving public views, and improving safety and maintenance in parks support the CityPlan Direction. Other related Directions that were approved include: improving shopping areas; improving arterials; improving pedestrian comfort and safety; enhancing street trees; and, greening and improving cleanliness and upkeep. In RPSC, there was support for increasing accessibility to public places for the visually, hearing and mobility impaired, and in ARKS, residents supported the creation of a public plaza or gathering place in Kerrisdale Village.

### Level of Support

Prior CityPlan survey support was 85%. Support for Directions on parks and greening related initiatives was consistent with CityPlan support (RPSC 77% - 90%, ARKS 74%-87%). In RPSC, support for improving shopping area/neighbourhood centre public places ranged from 86% - 95%, and support for increasing accessibility to public places for the visually, hearing and mobility impaired was 74% in both surveys. ARKS supported a new public plaza in Kerrisdale (57%/58%) and support for improving public places in small shopping areas/neighbourhood centres ranged from 73% - 78%.

## **9. Diverse Economy and Jobs Close to Home**

### CityPlan Direction

"Increase the number and choice of jobs in the city; and concentrate major job growth in the downtown, maintain industrial areas, and focus other job growth in neighbourhood centres."

### Community Visions

This CityPlan Direction can only be addressed in a limited way through local Visions. However, the Vision directions do call for supporting local shops and services in neighbourhood centres, and for supporting formation of business associations and BIAs.

### Level of Support

Prior CityPlan support was 58%. Directions relating to strengthening or continuity of shops and services in shopping areas were supported 79% - 87% in RPSC and 68% - 83% in ARKS. Limiting "big box" stores or malls that would harm local shopping was supported (RPSC 89%/85%, ARKS 61%/61%). Support was also given for Business Improvement Associations (BIAs) and business associations (RPSC 66%/66%, ARKS 69%/70%).

## **10. Transit, Walking, and Biking as a Priority**

### CityPlan Direction

"Enhance the transportation system to provide a greater emphasis on transit, walking, and biking within and between neighbourhood centres and the downtown; and make better use of the existing street system for moving people and goods."

### Community Visions

Both communities have a number of Directions that further the CityPlan Direction, as well as being consistent with the City's Transportation Plan. Both RPSC and ARKS emphasized the need to make their arterial streets easier to cross, safer, and easier to live with, even while recognizing their traffic roles. Both communities supported bikeways, greenways, and better transit service and amenities. These Directions are augmented by Directions on improving shopping areas for pedestrian safety and comfort.

### Level of Support

Prior CityPlan survey support was 67%. RPSC's twenty-five transportation Directions were supported by 54% - 89%; and, ARKS twenty-one transportation Directions by 50% - 81%.

## **11. Clean Air and Water**

### CityPlan Direction

"Make improving the environment a priority in decision-making with particular attention to air and water quality; and to involve individuals and businesses directly in actions that protect and improve the environment."

### Community Visions

Many of the Visions topics have an aspect of environmental sustainability inherent in them:

- Transportation and housing Directions that are consistent with City goals to reduce commuting to assist with air quality; and
- Directions related to greening and planting, which furthers air quality, as well as stormwater quality.

Both communities supported 'environmental' Directions related to: conservation of water and energy, reduction of storm water runoff, and increasing recycling and composting. Both ARKS and RPSC also supported the growing and distribution of more food on a local basis and encouraging new development to adopt more sustainable practices and 'green' strategies. In RPSC, there was support for daylighting culverted streams.

### Level of Support

Prior CityPlan level of support was 81%. Support levels for the specifically environmental directions are generally higher in RPSC (76% - 95%) and ARKS (73%-90%).

## **12. Downtown Vancouver**

This CityPlan section deals with Directions related to the central area, and does not apply to these two communities.

## **13. People Involved in Decision-making**

### CityPlan Direction

"Provide opportunities for meaningful participation in a broad range of Council decisions; bring citizens and City staff together to resolve community issues; and ensure a broad constituency takes part in city-wide decisions and neighbourhood planning."

### Community Visions

The Visions Program itself is an example of carrying out the CityPlan Direction. Both communities supported greater public involvement in decision-making, including decisions related to transit, single family house design, and the placement of drug treatment centres. RPSC also supported enhanced community consultation in the development of the new Riley Park Library, implementation of the Riley Hillcrest and the Mountain View Cemetery's Master Plans, in the redevelopment of Oakridge Centre and King Edward Mall, and in the redevelopment of several large sites. In ARKS, there was support for extensive community consultation when planning for the Arbutus Corridor (should the City have the authority to regulate there).

Level of Support

Prior CityPlan level of support was 65%. Support was indicated for Community involvement in decision making (RPSC 87%/92%, ARKS 89%/85%), and with decisions related to transit (RPSC 68%/73%, ARKS 72%/66%), single family house design (RPSC 57%/56%, ARKS 65%/66%), and in the location of new treatment centres (RPSC 76%/78%, ARKS 76%/76%). In RPSC also supported enhanced community involvement in significant redevelopments ranging from 72% - 86%.

**14. Financial Accountability**

CityPlan Direction

"Continue to take a cautious approach towards increasing City spending; use CityPlan directions to re-direct the allocation of the City's budget; and provide more public information on the nature and location of City spending."

Community Visions

The CityPlan Direction was treated as a "given" in the Program. Information on the City's sources of funds was provided in Workshops and the Choices Survey, together with the fact that tax levels, related operating and capital spending would not likely increase. Development Cost Levies and user fees were also noted as possible funding sources. The Visions provide guidance about the priorities of the communities, and where they would like to see some redirection of City resources. Below are some items on which the City spends and the level of support for related Directions:

	<u>RPSC Support</u>	<u>ARKS Support</u>
Garbage/clean-up services throughout community	93%/95%	94%/94%
Shopping area improvements	74% - 91%	70% - 80%
Crime prevention, incl support for CPCs	80% - 90%	79% - 85%
Library service improvements (hours, collections etc.)	78%/81%	73%/74%
Existing community centre upgrades	no request	55% - 63%
Youth services/facilities	75%/77%	76%/78%
Indoor pool (in or close to community)	77%/82%	63% - 68%
Ice rink upgrade	no request	68%/72%

**Participation Overview**

Step	Outreach and Events – Both communities	ARKS Statistics	RPSC Statistics
1. Getting in Touch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Calls to and meetings with all community organizations; school PACs, associations, community centres, neighbourhood houses, seniors, youth, multicultural, church groups;</li> </ul>	40 meetings plus calls	24 meetings plus calls
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recruiting of Community Liaison Group, which met at intervals throughout the process;</li> </ul>	56 members: range of demographics	40 members: range of demographics
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Newsletter #1: to all households, businesses and absentee owners, introducing program, advertising Visions Fairs; English and Chinese</li> </ul>	14,720 households+	10,855 households+
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press release, advertisements for Visions Fairs in local English Press, Chinese media interviews, school flyers; articles or ad in local newsletters</li> </ul>	✓	✓
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Set up of community mail/e-mail list, web pages for both communities; and</li> </ul>	✓	✓
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mini-displays in community centres, neighbourhood houses and other community institutions.</li> </ul>	3	3
2. Creating Ideas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visions Fairs: Feb 2004, two “kick-off” weekends at Kerrisdale and Riley Park Community Centres; interactive displays by City and community groups;</li> </ul>	About 1,200 attendees	About 1,200 attendees
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creative workshops April-June 2004, developing ideas/options for draft Vision Directions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- main workshops: six-seven topics (4 -10 hours each), English language with Chinese small group discussion where desired;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	463 attendees	341 attendees
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- special multi-cultural workshops in Chinese (3 hours each);</li> </ul>	96 attendees	29 attendees
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- youth workshops at High Schools; and</li> </ul>	315 attendees	390 attendees
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- business associations or BIA open houses.</li> </ul>	56 attendees	35 attendees
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advertise for workshops twice in local English and Chinese press; Chinese media interviews; school flyers; banners; articles or ad in local newsletters</li> </ul>	✓	✓
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mini-displays updated in community centres, and neighbourhood houses;</li> </ul>	3	3
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Newsletter #2 to all households, businesses, absentee owners; update and reminder re program; English and Chinese</li> </ul>	14,720 households+	10,855 households+

Step	Outreach and Events – Both Communities	ARKS Statistics	RPSC Statistics
3. Choosing Directions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Choices Survey with draft Vision Directions: 80/94 pages with English and Chinese versions               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- to all households(single family, secondary suites, ground oriented such as town homes, low and high rise apartments)</li> <li>- for targeted households, translated version with the English version; and</li> <li>- special mailing and follow up to random sample.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	14,720 households+ - 18% return (general and random) - 10%/10% of the returns were in Chinese	10,855 households+ - 18% return (general and random) -7%/12% of the returns were in Chinese
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outreach to publicize and promote return of surveys:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- calls, meetings with community organizations as in step 1</li> <li>- “meet and greet” at community and school events, information sessions,</li> <li>- youth fill-out sessions in elementary and secondary schools</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	50 meetings, sessions or events	53 meetings, sessions or events
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press release; advertise in local English press; Chinese media interviews; school flyers; poster; banners; articles or ad in local newsletters and</li> </ul>	✓	✓
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mini-displays updated in libraries, community centres, and neighbourhood houses, and community institutions</li> </ul>	3	3
4. Finalizing the Vision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Upcoming Newsletter #3: “Vision Approved” to all households, businesses, absentee owners summarizing adopted Community Visions; English and Chinese; and</li> </ul>	14,720 households+	10,855 households+
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Final Community Vision document: available on request and posted on community web pages.</li> </ul>	✓	✓



Your Worship Mayor Campbell, City Council members.

On behalf of the members of the Arbutus Ridge-Kerrisdale-Shaughnessy, or ARKS, Community Liaison Group, we are here to voice our support of the ARKS Community Vision being presented today.

We would like to thank City Staff, in particular Peter Burch, Angela Ko and Michelle McGuire, who guided us through this process. Their dedication was a key element in engaging the community, encouraging contribution and maintaining participation.

Hundreds of residents participated in the Community Vision Fair, hundreds more at the Community Workshops, and thousands completed the Choices Survey, representing a good cross section of the population with regard to age, ethnicity and socio-economic status. The results show a desire to balance change with retaining the unique character of our neighbourhood, an overriding concern for the environment and community safety, as well as support for improved public transportation and community services.

Close to 90% of all respondents supported community involvement in decision making. Providing opportunities for continuing community participation will be essential for carrying forward this Vision. We ask that you approve the ARKS Community Vision, and affirm your support with the allocation of the resources needed to transform the Vision into reality.

Good afternoon, Mayor Campbell and Councillors, my name is Ingrid Steenhuisen, a life-long resident of Riley Park, and with me today is fellow resident, Doug Friesen. We are but two of the many members of the Riley Park/South Cambie Community Visions Community Liaison Group. We are very pleased to support the Vision from our community, and proud to have it presented to you today for adoption.

Our community was informed of our neighbourhood Visions process in October 2003. Since then, thousands of residents have been actively involved in a remarkable and productive series of workshops and community meetings, culminating in the Choices Survey that was distributed to over 10,000 households in May 2005.

The Riley Park/South Cambie Vision area is a dynamic community, one with many unusual features and many issues to address as a Visions community: we live amidst six major arterial streets; we are home to four large sites potentially poised for redevelopment (*including the oldest social housing in the province*); we have many users of 'alternative' modes of transportation (transit, cycling, and walking) and many others who are 'transit dependent'; and, of course, we feel our neighbourhood is one of incomparable diversity (cultural, socio-economic, ages and abilities).

Since 1886, this community, located in the geographic centre of Vancouver, has had the reputation of working together - for the betterment of all. The character and traditions of Riley Park/South Cambie residents have persisted and persevered for more than a century. And there are many here who will strive to ensure that we maintain our character and identity while our community continues to evolve in the face of new developments such as the 2010 Olympics facilities at Hillcrest Park, the new community centre and destination-size aquatic centre, a new library, the much-anticipated "Main Street Showcase" project, and of course the RAV line.

This community strongly supports public input and the need to be included in any new endeavours or changes *before* they occur. The Community's Voice was clearly heard - the current planning and discussions about future community development are significant, in that we DO want to be included in determining what does and/or doesn't occur, so as to retain the unique small-scale feel and enduring legacy of inclusiveness, diversity, care and compassion that are the hallmarks of this community.

We appreciate Council's awareness of this community's needs, and we wish to continue to nurture this by forging an ongoing, dynamic working relationship with Council and staff that is respectful of our neighbourhood and its many needs and aspirations, and that fosters a community that will thrive for generations to come.

We would like to acknowledge the guidance and leadership provided by City staff. Randy Pecarski, Joanne Franko, Janice Lowe, Celene Fung, and Andrea Tang led the Community through this process with great patience, sensitivity and understanding of the varied concerns and passionate natures of residents, keeping us focused on developing the Vision before you today.

Each of us is very proud to live and/or work in the Riley Park/South Cambie community, and we look forward to continuing to work WITH the City, to ensure that the Community's Vision Directions are respected as they are considered and implemented.

Council's adoption/approval of RPSC's Vision is the first step to implementation and we thank you for your support of this document and future working processes.

Thank you for your time this afternoon.

**City Perspectives Panel Comments  
Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shaghnessy (ARKS) and Riley Park/South Cambie (RPSC)  
Community Visions For City Council Meeting of October 18, 2005**

Our role as the City Perspectives Panel has been to advise on how well the Community Visions for Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shaghnessy (ARKS) and Riley Park/South Cambie (RPSC) fit with CityPlan, the overall guide for the city and the framework for the Community Visions Program. Community Visions are intended to move in CityPlan directions in a way that suits each community.

Our first task was to review the Visions Choices Survey for each community and to provide comments (included in the survey) for community-wide consideration. Our final task has been to review the resulting draft Visions and provide comments to City Council.

We find that the draft Visions do fit well with CityPlan. The draft Visions make good progress on moving in CityPlan directions. The CPP wishes the two communities every success in implementing their Vision.

We have compared the Vision results to the "Ground Rules", contained in the Program Terms of Reference (Section 1), and have drawn the following conclusions:

- Visions must include all CityPlan topics.
  - Yes.
- Each community must consider information on CityPlan directions that define local, city-wide, and regional needs.
  - Yes. As a result, both communities seek to improve availability and convenience of sustainable transportation modes (promoting biking, traffic calming and encouraging more transit use), and support the economic viability of local shopping areas (and providing more opportunities for people to live close to where they shop and work). There is a wide range of housing types and locations in the Directions that should be implemented (after further planning) in order to create more diverse, more 'complete' communities. In ARKS, we see the redevelopment of the Arbutus Shopping Centre as an exciting opportunity to provide residents with the services they need close to home to reduce their reliance on the single occupancy vehicle. In RPSC, the Directions relating to the successful development of mixed-use RAV stations are particularly important, supporting CityPlan policies and RAV ridership to the benefit of the City and Region. We commend both RPSC and ARKS on the general tone of the Vision Directions. We found them to be very open to diversity and change, especially with regard to new housing opportunities.
- The consequences of Vision directions must be described to the community while considering the "rights" of the neighbourhood and its "responsibility" as part of the city and region.
  - Yes. The CPP recognizes that while innovative solutions are needed to address the adverse impact of traffic in ARKS and RPSC (especially related to trucks in ARKS and construction vehicles during the development of major projects in RPSC), we still need efficient goods movement within the City (e.g., allowing trucks to supply goods to local shopping areas). With respect to services, programs and facilities should be run and located in all neighbourhoods of the city, including those in ARKS and RPSC, to meet the housing and care needs (e.g., drug addiction) of their diverse populations. Finally, with respect to community involvement, the CPP recognizes that all decision-making bodies should be accountable, representative, and inclusive, and that decisions should seek to balance local community goals with overall City goals. This is particularly important with the redevelopment of the large sites in RPSC, which is an opportunity to set a new standard and create a role-model for responsible neighbourhood development that takes both the local and city-wide needs into account.
- Vision options and the preferred Vision must move the community in CityPlan directions.
  - Yes.