

# Community Plans:

## Next Steps

Downtown Eastside

West End

Marpole

Grandview-Woodland

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September 25, 2013



**March 2012:** Council approved Terms of Reference for Community Plans, including a new approach, guided by 4 key themes:

- *Addressing global, regional and city-wide challenges*
- *Shaping development and setting public amenity priorities*
- *Enhancing and diversifying public involvement*
- *Quicker, more flexible process*



## COMMUNITY PLANS UPDATE

# July 9, 2013: Motion & Key Questions

### ***BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to:***

- a. Extend the timeline for the Grandview-Woodland Community Plan by at least six months;*
- b. Conduct an open and collaborative process for the community to discuss, debate, and select preferred options for the Community Plan.*

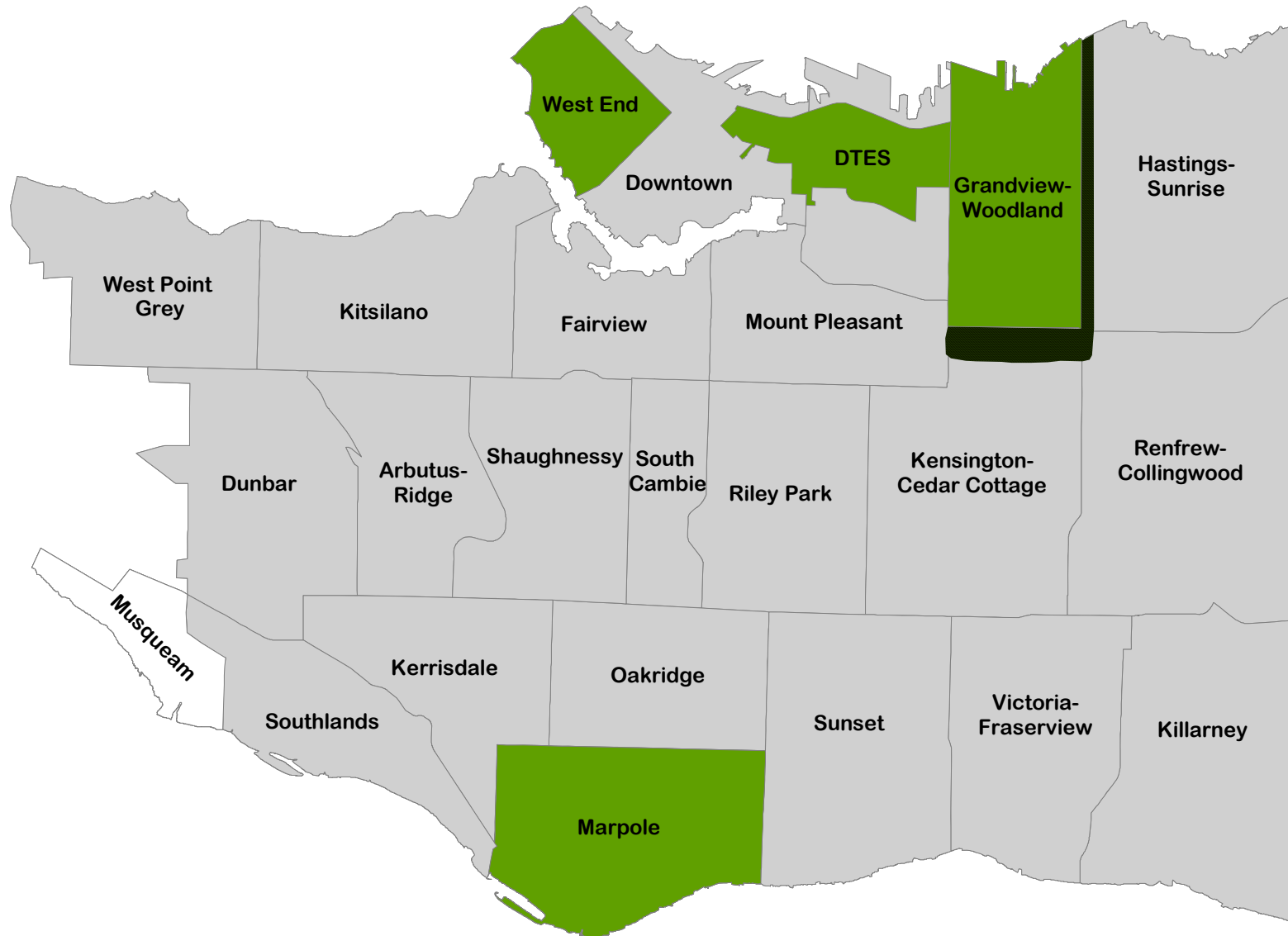
This motion was referred, in order to hear from speakers and to allow time for the receipt of additional information from staff on all four community plans

Information was requested on following questions:

- What has been the process to date?
- What is the anticipated timeline?
- What have been the main issues raised?
- What are the recommendations regarding an extended process?
- What are the risks and benefits of an extended process?



# COMMUNITY PLANS: Four Distinct Neighbourhoods





63 events including:

- Open Houses
- Citizen Circles; Ideas Fair
- Workshops & walkshops
- Stakeholder focus groups
- Paper and on-line questionnaires
- Asset mapping
- Neighbourhood Champions

**6500**

Participant  
contacts

### Current Timeline

- Plan currently scheduled to be considered by Council  
November 5, 2013

# WEST END Main Issues Raised





- **Neighbourhood Character**
- **Housing affordability**
- **Local business viability**
- **Community facilities**



## Recommendation

- Proceed with current schedule (November 2013)
- Follow-up work (e.g. Village Revitalization Strategies, public realm plan) to commence with adoption of Plan

## Rationale

- Work has been underway on planning activities since 2010 (surveys & stakeholder meetings; WEMAC)
- At present: considerable support for policy directions; desire to maintain momentum, move to implementation
- Draft Plan ready for mid-October with opportunity for public review



148 events including:

- LAP Committee and sub-committees; thematic roundtable planning sessions; public open houses, focus groups
- Social impact assessment process

**4300**

Participant  
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#### Current Timeline

- Plan currently scheduled to be considered by Council on November 20, 2013



# DOWNTOWN EASTSIDE Main Issues Raised



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# Main Issues Raised

- Homelessness & Housing crisis
- Poverty and mental health challenges
- Access to food, social and health services
- Social inclusion & well-being
- Local economy
- Protection of heritage and community assets





## Recommendation

- Proceed with current schedule (November 2013)
- Extension of *DTES LAPP Interim Rezoning Policy* and the *Development Management Guidelines*
- Follow-up work (e.g. SRA Strategy, revised Development Management Guidelines, public realm plan) following adoption of Plan

## Rationale

- Minimize delay to development of social housing & affordable housing units
- Opportunity to proceed with policy of 60% social housing (vs 20% current) in Oppenheimer District (DEOD)
- Maintain community momentum around planning



62 events including:

- Open Houses
- Workshops and walkshops
- Stakeholder focus groups
- Paper and on-line questionnaires
- Action While Planning
- Marpole Community Plan Outreach Group

6500

Participant  
contacts

#### Current Timeline

- Plan currently scheduled to be considered by Council  
October 23, 2013



# MARPOLE Main Issues Raised



- **Thin Streets**
- **Growth and change in single-family areas**
- **Housing affordability**
- **Community amenities and facilities**
- **Traffic and Transit capacity**
- **Local shops and services**



# MARPOLE Process Recommendation & Rationale



## Recommendation

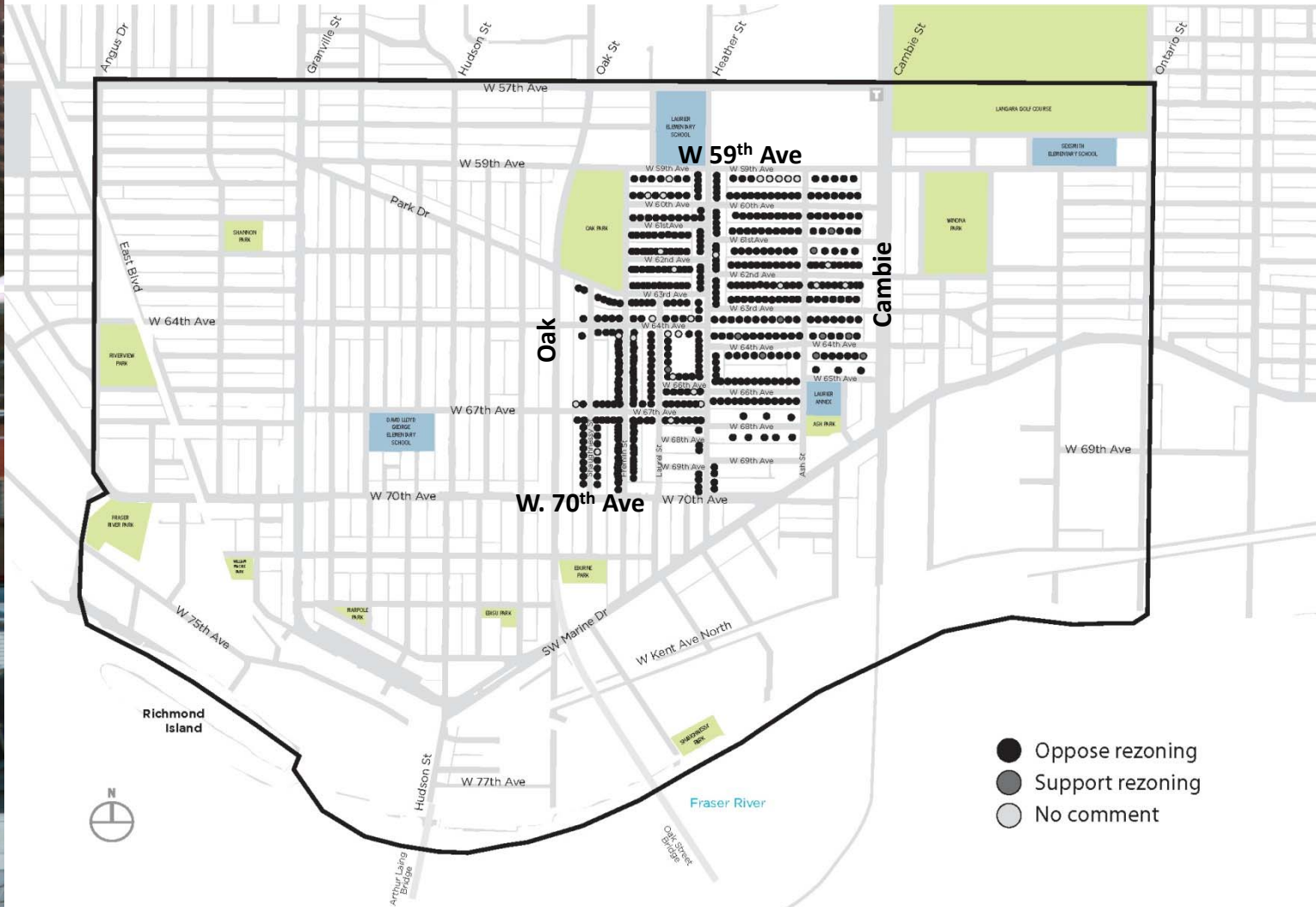
- Revisions to draft Plan based on community input
- Open Houses to outline proposed changes; gather community feedback (Fall 2013)
- Removal of defined area west of Cambie – consider as part of Cambie Corridor Phase III
- Extension to late 2013 or 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2014

## Rationale

- Additional time will accommodate further consultation; allow for clarification of Plan directions

# MARPOLE Process Recommendation & Rationale

## Marpole Coalition Survey



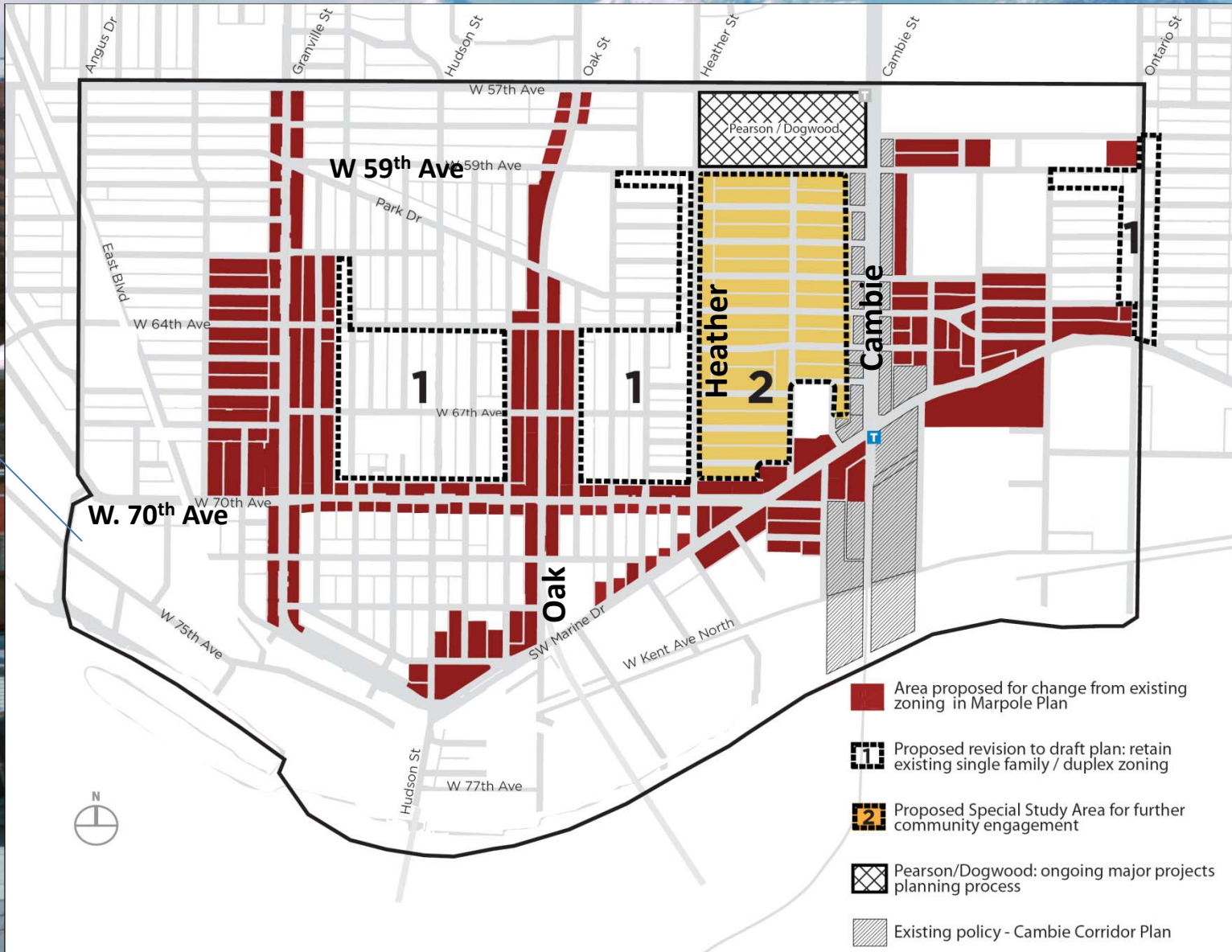


# MARPOLE Process Recommendation & Rationale

## Ash Street Coalition Petition



# MARPOLE Process Recommendation & Rationale



## Recommendation

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- Removal of defined area west of Cambie – Cambie Corridor Phase III
- Extension to late 2013 or 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2014

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# GRANDVIEW-WOODLAND

## Process to date and Current timeline



100 events including:

- Open Houses
- Assets, Issues & Opportunities Mapping
- 9 “Planning through Dialogue” Sessions
- Stakeholder & population-specific focus groups & events
- Process Advisory Community Engagement Group

# 7500

Participant  
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### Current Timeline

- Plan currently scheduled to be considered by Council December 4, 2013



# GRANDVIEW-WOODLAND Main Issues Raised



## GRANDVIEW-WOODLAND Main Issues Raised

- Form of development (esp. building height)
- Community amenities and facilities
- Affordability and gentrification
- Loss of neighbourhood heritage and character
- Transportation





## Recommendation

- Extend process for additional consultation, sub-area/site specific workshops, etc.
- Introduce Citizen's Assembly approach
- Additional consultation budget - \$275,000

## Rationale

- Unlike other community plan areas, G-W has received little planning attention in recent decades
- Complexity and scope of issues to be addressed e.g. Commercial/Broadway sub-area
- Need to rebuild trust, reset process

# GRANDVIEW-WOODLAND

## Process Recommendation

### Citizens' Assembly

- Supports call for more process
- Enables consideration of key high-level questions
- Will build on (not replace) work done to date in GW planning process
- Specific details (number of participants, recruitment process, questions) to be developed as part of report to Council (December 2013)

## Citizens' Assembly

- The intent of the Citizens' Assembly would be to:
  - Discuss how the various sub-area and site specific components can fit together in a comprehensive plan
  - Look at trade-offs around growth and development, public benefits, neighbourhood liveability

# GRANDVIEW-WOODLAND

## Process Recommendation

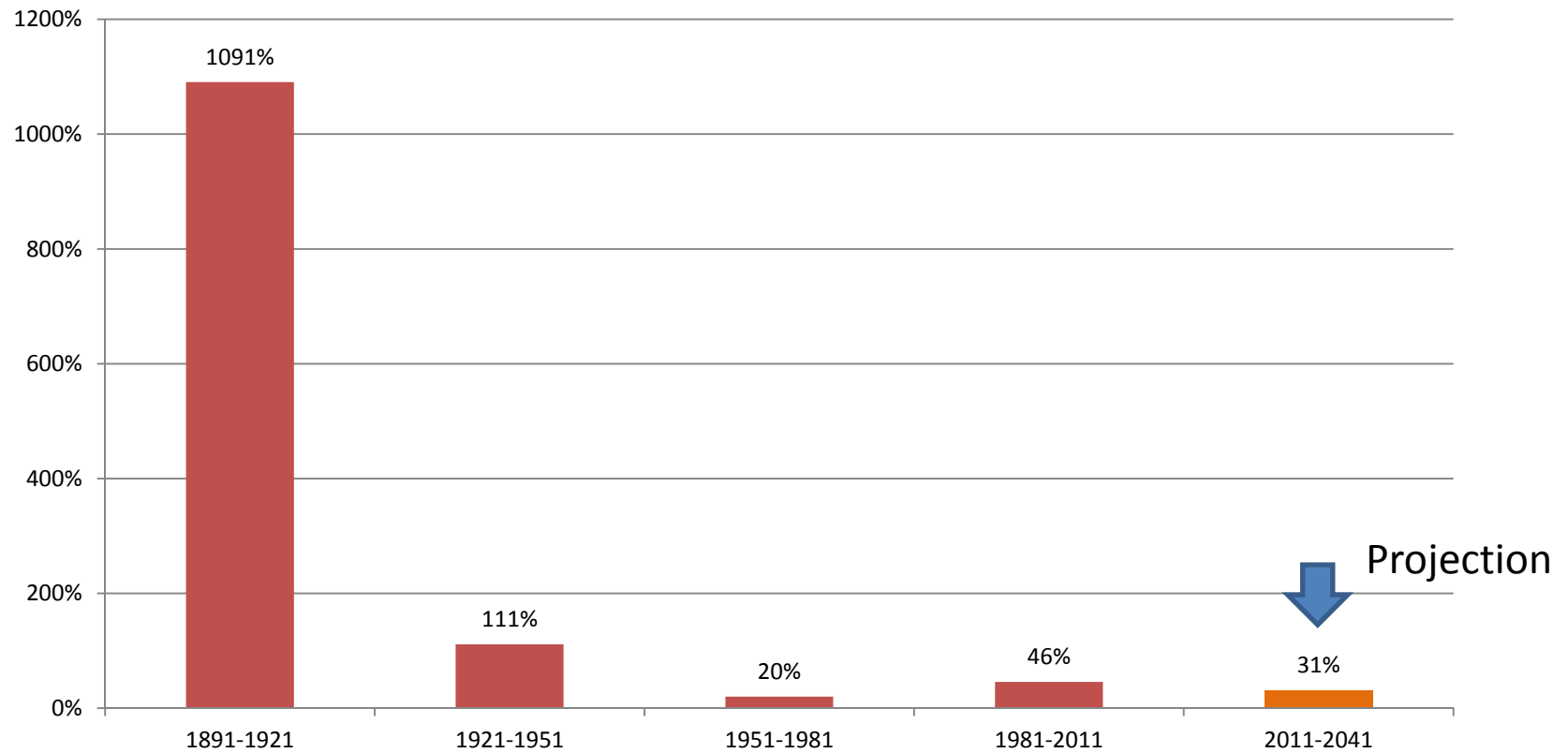
### Key Activities / Steps

- **Step 1** – Report to Council on Citizens' Assembly Process & Terms of Reference
- **Step 2** – Sub-area activities; refinement of proposed sub-area & key site specific directions; recruitment for Assembly
- **Step 3** – Process with Citizens' Assembly; further refinement of community-wide, sub-area & site specific directions
- **Step 4** – Draft plan review & presentation to Council



# Myth Busting...

## Population Change (as a percentage) from 1891 to 2041 ...

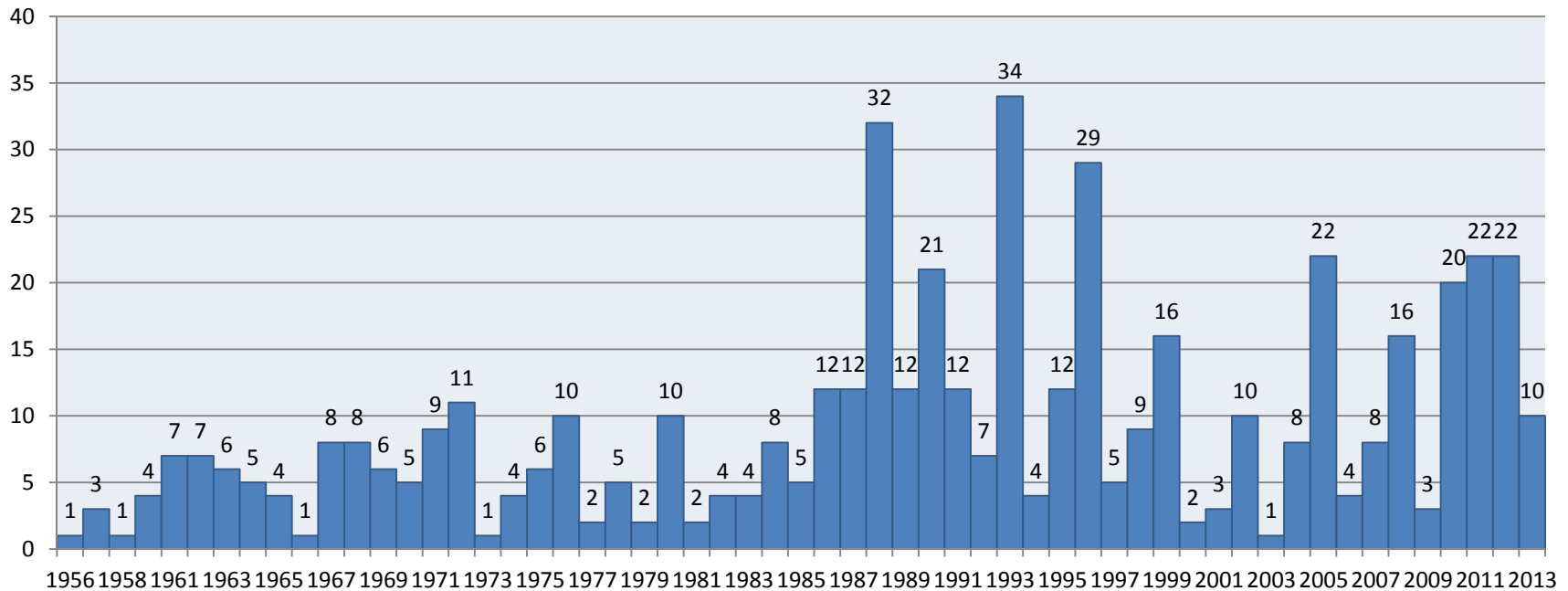


# Myth Busting ... Historical Trends

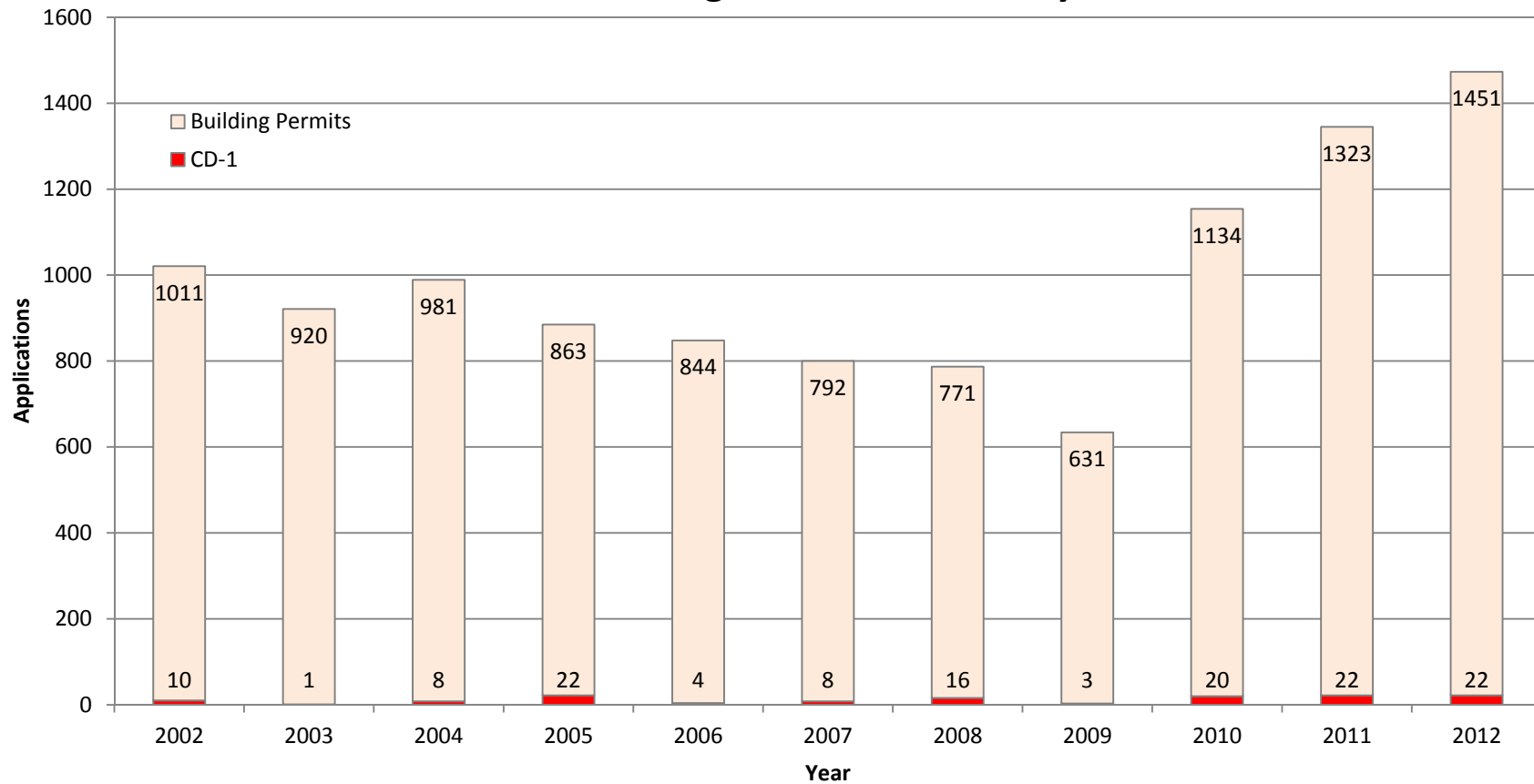
## City of Vancouver - CD-1 Creation by Year

Since 1956 Avg = 9/yr

Since 1986 Avg = 14/yr



## CD-1s and Building Permit Issuance by Year





# Myth Busting ... Estimated Growth Rates

Population	1981	Change		2011	Change		2041 est.
Grandview-Woodland	25,000	2,000	8%	27,000	8,000	<b>30%</b>	35,000
DTES	13,900	4,600	33%	18,500	7,000	<b>38%</b>	25,500
Marpole	17,000	7,000	41%	24,000	10,455	<b>43%</b>	34,455
<i>Marpole Community Plan</i>					5,325	22%	
<i>Cambie Corridor</i>					3,130	13%	
<i>Pearson</i>					2,000	8%	
West End	37,000	8,000	22%	45,000	8,500	<b>19%</b>	53,500
City	415,000	190,000	46%	605,000	183,000	<b>30%</b>	788,000

# Myth Busting ... Areas of Change

	No Change	Minor Change	Significant Change	Removed from Study Area
<b>G-W</b>	79%	9%	12%	
<b>DTES</b>	89%	8%	3%	
<b>Marpole</b>	79%	8%	9%	4%
<b>West End</b>	63%	33%	4%	

- **Downtown Eastside and West End:** Proceed to conclusion on original schedule
- **Marpole:** Extend process to late 2013/1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2014 and make significant revisions to the draft Plan
- **Grandview-Woodland:** Extend process for additional consultation; including Citizen's Assembly and other engagement activities