

INFO ALERT! re Ccl Mtg tonight and B-Line

Got an email notice from the StoptheRoadClosures folks, since the B-Line is not on tonight's agenda, advising ppl to speak at "New Business" (on the agenda tonight it's named "Other Items"). I hasten to let you know that Ccl chooses what, if anything, to discuss then. The item during wch the **public are allowed to speak (about anything)** is **PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS (Item 14 at the end of the mtg)**, wch is followed by Adjournment.

Here's an excerpt to show you:

... Responses to Correspondence No items.

OTHER ITEMS

12. No items.

REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

13. Reports from Mayor and Councillors ... oral reports ... received for information.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Questions may be referred by Council to staff for subsequent response. ...

14. Public Questions and Comments (3 minutes per speaker)

WHOLE AGENDA: <https://westvancouver.ca/sites/default/files/dwv/council-agendas/2019/jan/28/19jan28-Agenda.pdf>

Rushed to get #11 out so Sunday for the ccl mtg Monday, some info left behind.

Here's some.

> Sunday, Jan 27

The Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau, today issued the following statement on International Holocaust Remembrance Day:

"Today, we mourn the loss of more than six million Jews who were murdered during the Holocaust, and the countless other victims of Nazi atrocities. We also honour those who survived the Shoah, recognizing both the scars they carry, and their stories of hope, courage, and perseverance against unspeakable evil..."

..."On this solemn day, we pay tribute to the resilience of the Jewish people, through our words – and our actions. We honour our pledge to stand guard and speak out against anti-Semitism in our communities, to embrace our differences, and find strength in our diversity."

The whole statement: <https://pm.gc.ca/eng>

> Monday, Jan 28/29 -- CJPME AND CFOS



CJPME

<https://www.cjpme.org/home>

The second anniversary of the Quebec City mosque massacre is this Tuesday Jan 29th

Vigils here:

- Mon, Jan 28th from 6 - 9pm at the Vancouver Public Library
- Tues, Jan 29th at 6pm at Al Masjid Al Jamia Vancouver
- <https://www.january29.ca/about>



<https://friendsofsabeel.ca/>



WE STAND FOR TRUTH
AND RECONCILIATION

The Canadian Friends of Sabeel project is committed to standing in solidarity with Palestinians, and raising awareness in Canada of the struggle of Palestinian Christians, while joining all people in Palestine and Israel striving for peace with justice toward reconciliation.



NB: FWIW, while I don't necessarily agree with requesting a national holiday, do agree we shd discourage anti-Semitism/Islamophobia and work for mutual understanding.

I know Tom Woodley who heads CJPME, and also met Rev Naim Ateek of CFOS when he was here a couple of years ago.

It was great living in Beirut where (before its civil war at least), several cultures and religions mixed together. It also somewhat mirrors Vancouver -- facing the sea with mountains behind. The American University of Beirut was founded in 1866.

Anyway, noting North America's bias/slant, have always urged factual and full information.

btw, someone told me some years ago that the Christmas message is mistranslated. It's not "Good will toward men", it's really "Peace to men of good will".

In keeping with the Queen's msg the other day, respect for each other.

Now rushing off to more commitments.....