

WEST VAN MATTERS

2013 March 11th Council NOTES; AGENDAs March 18th; Calendar to April 12th
 Parks Dept: Fees/Charges • Transportation Plan • Ambleside Activation

~~~ *Spring Equinox March 20 then Passover and Easter* ~~~

**MAIN ITEMS March 18:** NSh Family Court/Youth Justice Cmte Annual Report; Iranian Cdn Congress re Norouz; DVP 6418 Bay; Heritage Alteration Permit 4733 Piccadilly S; Zoning Bylaw 1821 MDr (WVF); Awards Cmte Work Plan; Reconsideration of CoW re Nbrhd Character/Housing; AmbV Ctr Streetscape; **370/380 Mathers** OCP, Rezoning, DP Applcn; WV Yacht Club Liquor Licence; Correspondence: OODLES (b/c from prev mtgs, see <http://www.westvancouver.ca/Government/Level3.aspx?id=42870>) -- Previous (from Feb 15): Traffic Optimization; Garbage Pickup Oddities; Five-Yr Financial/PSB (three letters) re inconsistencies, inaccuracies, and a 'doctored' doc (detailed info for watchful eyes); oodles on 1300blk/Grosvenor (mostly urging retention of village atmosphere); Cell Towers; List of effects of phone and other radiation; MANY letters supporting the Rugby Club's liquor licence; UBCM; Taylor Way's name; parking tix; great letter re Upper Lands; excellent survey by WRA re Spirit Trail); Staff Replies to letters including re parking; Seaview Walk; Spirit Trail; and New (from Mar 1): garbage colln, cell towers, 1300blk including petitions, Capilano Rugby liquor licence (over 100!), Black Bear Society, West Van Florist, Collingwood School, PSB, parking bylaws, Seaview Trail, Gleneagles sound barrier, and more....

= **Breaking News: what happened at the ccl mtg Mar 18**

- = Lease/Sell Survey; Vive le Canada (ISSS, Chris Hadfield); from the EDITOR'S DESK; WVPD (Identity Theft); UPDATES & INFO (Public Space Public Good?; Medicare's Orphans)
- = CALENDAR to April 12: CULTUREWATCH (Theatre; Art; Sculpture; Music); NATURE
- = HEADSUP 6A: Mar 18 agendas; 6B: Govt agency's agreement with CNV not kept (port, transportation)
- = Ccl NOTES Mar 11th: 3pm Finance (Parks/Cmnty Services: Fees and Charges); 4:30pm CotW (Transportation Plan; Amb Activation); 7pm Ccl Mtg (Ambleside Activation Next Steps)
- = Ccl AGENDAs Mar 18
- = ANIMALWATCH (CatWatch); INFObits (Iraq War Legacy; Harper view; balanced reporting); BEERWATCH (Civilization); ROYALWATCH (Shamrocks; Photos; Queen's msg to Hadfield); TIMEWATCH (Tenth Anniversaries: Iraq; Rachel); WORDWATCH (sakura); HERITAGEWATCH; HAIKUWATCH (VCBF, call for submissions, photos); MAIKU; Irish JOKE; QUOTATIONS/THOUGHTS/PUNS; Poster

>>> **BREAKING NEWS: What happened at the Mar 18th ccl mtg?**

Briefly: **Changes requested by the Olive and Anchor, 4733 Piccadilly S, and WVF approved**; Awards Cmte report and work plan; launch of Nbrhd Housing and Character Plan (bulk, blvds); AmbV Streetscape Standards Project (on track); much **debate over devt of 370/380 Mathers** but will go out for consultation; Reflective roof sparked reference to Gd Nbr Bylaw.

The (Mar 18) Correspondence listed a position and a (whole?) division I'd not seen before: **Director of Lands, Bylaws, First Nations and Legal Affairs**. Found out it's Mark Chan. The Lands, Bylaws, First Nations, & Legal Affairs Division reports to the CAO and oversees the effective operation of the District's Bylaws Dept, municipal property transactions, legal services provided to the District, and acts as the municipality's liaison to the Squamish Nation.

**YOUR OPINION on 1300block MARINE DRIVE -- LEASE OR SALE ?**

**lease1300@westvan.org**      OR      **sell1300@westvan.org** ?

Email your choice (above), lease or sell. If you have already done so, pls ask your family, friends, colleagues to do so. If we haven't lawyers/staff/personnel expert, intelligent, skilled enough to negotiate leasing, then buy other land from the money from the sale to replace it thus maintaining our land bank assets! PLEASE, Ccl.

**== Vive le CANADA ==** from <http://www.pm.gc.ca/>

The Government of Canada is a proud and committed partner in the International Space Station – one of humanity's greatest achievements in science, engineering, and technology, and a global showcase for Canada's renowned expertise in space robotics and science.

...Canadian astronaut Chris Hadfield recently took command of the International Space Station (ISS). Commander Hadfield launched to the Station on December 19, 2012 and will stay aboard until May 13, 2013, when he is due to return to Earth in a Russian

**Save a tree.**

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[westvan.org/2013-07](http://westvan.org)

Soyuz capsule. Chris Hadfield became the first Canadian Commander of the ISS on March 13, 2013, taking the helm from U.S. Commander Kevin Ford (NASA). ....

This is Chris Hadfield's third mission to space, having previously served on Mission STS-74 (November 1995, Space Shuttle Atlantis) and on Mission STS-100 (April 2001, Space Shuttle Endeavour).

**The International Space Station** circles the globe 16 times per day at a speed of 28,000 km/h at an average altitude of 370 km: covering a distance equivalent to the Moon and back daily. The Station is approximately the length of a Canadian football field.

### ==== from the EDITOR'S DESK ====

+ Room 14 at the Library is a great addn to the cmnty. I just had to ask how the place for teens was named. Oh groan! So obvious: "room four teen" (Chinese influence b/c it hasn't plurals? or Room 14s looks funny?) -- anyway, I shd hv figured it out. Did you?

+ Have to recognize the enormous amt of work done by the Parks Dept to present all that information at CoW over three mtgs, but it is our largest dept. Appreciated.

+ Also, Dir/Planning Sokol's thorough presentation re Ambleside Activation at the Mar 11 mtg was well-received and approved with optimism, even enthusiasm.

+ 1300blk and 320 Taylor Way -- when checking to confirm 320 TWay was leased and not sold as one cclr claimed when recounting the benefits of the sale to Grosvenor, I came across some of the statements, claims, procedures, verbal sleights of hand, and so on during the 320 TW fiasco. Mildly surprised to note some similarities -- well, it is politics and devprs after all. Hope to put a comparison in the next WVM: A Tale of Two Templates?

### ==== WVPD ==== BLOCKWATCH

#### ~~~ IDENTITY THEFT

Throughout March West Vancouver Police are hosting information sessions to connect our community to knowledge and **skills to help prevent Identity Theft and other Fraud related offences**.

From Youth to our Elders, all mbrs of the cmnty can take steps to protect themselves. Presentations are scheduled at all WV public and private secondary schools, as well as information sessions throughout the municipality as follows;

West Vancouver Recreation Centre, 2121 Marine Dr., Thursday March 7th -- 9am – noon  
Gleneagles Recreation Ctr, Wednesday March 13th – 9 - 11:30am

Park Royal North Mall, Friday March 15th -- 11:30am – 2:30pm

**WV Library, Wednesday March 20th** – noon – 3pm

**Park Royal South, Friday March 22nd** -- 11:30am – 2:30pm

**WV Seniors' Ctr, Thursday March 28th** -- 11am – 1pm

**Squamish Nation Elders' Centre, Wednesday March 27th** -- 11:30am -1:30pm

The CSU will also be sending information to WV residents about the Identity Theft initiative through by means of a Block Watch release to residents enrolled in West Van's Block Watch program. If you require further information on Identity Theft, please contact Cpl. Johal from the Community Services Unit at 925 7315.

### ==== UPDATES & INFO ====

**+ Left turns on Marine Drive at 14th and 16th Streets westbound restricted beginning March 4**

**+ So much info! Newsletters:**

For events out west, see The Westerner for WRA and HBay: <http://www.chrisadshead.com> and the Gleneagles Cmnty Ctr <http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs104/1103305118124/archive/1112587253889.html> .

There are oodles of tempting events at the Srs' Ctr -- from movies, to trips, to games, etc. See

[http://westvancouver.ca/uploadedFiles/Recreation/Facilities/Seniors\\_Activity\\_Centre/March%202013%20Seniors%20Scene.pdf](http://westvancouver.ca/uploadedFiles/Recreation/Facilities/Seniors_Activity_Centre/March%202013%20Seniors%20Scene.pdf)

For recreation in WV, see the Spring/Summer Leisure Guide:

<http://www.westvancouver.ca/leisureguide/2013/Spring.Summer/index.html>

The **WV Historical Society**'s newsletter, Memories, is out (March) but not on website yet [ [www.wvhs.ca](http://www.wvhs.ca) ]

**WV Streamkeepers'** workplan for 2013: <http://www.westvancouverstreamkeepers.ca/dox/Work%20Plan%202013.pdf>

**+ "Is Public Space a Public Good?"** -- the Warren Gill Memorial Lecture

Public space is routinely seen as the cure to every imaginable urban ill, from air quality to obesity. But how much of what we call public space is really public? Author and critic **Mark Kingwell** considers this problem, together with its implications for the notion of urban play and the so-called 'right to the city'.

[Watch video. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mF3KXlog9eE&list=UUUi\\_6I8lgUAzI6JczJUVPA&index=1](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mF3KXlog9eE&list=UUUi_6I8lgUAzI6JczJUVPA&index=1)

Frank Pacella - SFU City Program Coordinator <citymgr@sfsu.ca>

**+ Medicare's Orphans - CIFF Award of Excellence**

We are pleased to inform you that the judges for the Canadian International Film Festival have chosen *Medicare's Orphans* for an award of excellence in the documentary film category. Our film is one of ten chosen in this category. The festival advised us that it had received and considered hundreds of films from thirty countries.

**The award will be accepted by co-producer, David Marley, in Vancouver on April 6th.**

Thank you to all who participated in making this film. It's great to see this very important subject has been recognized in this way.

Jean Lewis and David Marley, Medicare for Autism Now!

**== CALENDAR to April 12th ==**

All mtgs are at M Hall unless indicated otherwise. NOTE: shown are mtgs known at this date; often there are additions, changes, cancellations after WVM goes out. Check the DWV Calendar: <http://www.westvancouver.ca/Calendar.aspx>. Notices/mtgs/changes too late/early for an issue are sent to subscribers. [Headsup notices sent between issues of WVM.]

{NB: since the next WVM will be for the next ccl mtg (not till Apr 8), many mtgs are not yet on the Calendar or in the papers so this list will certainly not be complete after this week -- in fact, maybe not all of this week's mtgs are here!}

**== Tuesday March 19**

~ 5 - 10pm ~ **Norouz (Iranian New Year)** in Ambleside Park

~ 6:15pm ~ WV Women's Network [921 9899 wvwn89@yahoo.ca], Guests welcome at Hollyburn Country Club  
Speaker: Dawn McCooey, Women's Enterprise Ctr: Women and Leadership...Reaching Your Potential

**== Wednesday March 20**

~ 5pm ~ Board of Variance

~ 7pm ~ Library Bd (at Library)

**~ 7:30pm ~ Burrard Inlet Estuary Restoration Program – Mackay Creek & Lynn Creek estuaries (DNV Ccl Chamber)**

NSh Streamkeepers presents a talk by Ken Ashley and his students from the BCIT Ecological Restoration Program Join North Shore Streamkeepers to hear about proposed restoration plans developed in the BCIT Ecological Restoration Program. Program Director Ken Ashley will describe the program and fourth year students will present proposals for Mackay Creek and Lynn Creek. Estuaries provide vital habitat for many species, particularly for young salmon leaving their streams and entering the ocean. Much of the estuarine habitat in the harbour has been lost through port devt. The students' term projects are real life examples of developing restoration plans for degraded estuarine habitat around Burrard Inlet. [The usual agenda for North Shore Streamkeepers meeting will follow, from 8:30 to 9:30.]

**== Tuesday to Thursday -- March 19 - 21 -- Norouz – Iranian New Year**

March 21 not only marks the first day of spring, but it is also marked in the calendars of all Iranians as Norouz (or Iranian New Year). In celebration of Norouz, Iranians all over the world set up the table of Haft-Seen to welcome the arrival of the new year with their family and friends. The table of Haft-Seen (or seven 'S's) contains different objects, from a dish of homemade sweets to painted eggs and flowers. Each of these objects symbolizes a certain good trait related to new and fresh beginnings. Maryam Farokhy, the founder of Purple Lotus Event Planning, is preparing a beautiful Haft-Seen in Park Royal North's centre court from March 19 to 21. All day (during regular shopping hours)

Come check it out!

**== Thursday March 21**

~ 6pm ~ NSh Family Court and Youth Justice Cmte in Cedar Rm (Cmnty Ctr)

~ 7:45pm ~ **WV Historical Society mtg** at the Srs' Ctr [for details: <http://www.wvhs.ca/upcoming-events/> ]

**Bill Millerd**, Artistic Managing Director of the Arts Club Theatre, on WV Canneries and Vancouver Theatre

**== Saturday March 23****~ 9am - noon ~ Ivy Pull -- Volunteer Opportunity with the Lighthouse Preservation Society**

Volunteers with LPPS will be removing English ivy in The Dale Park, on the north-east boundary of Lighthouse Park. If you would like to help, even for an hour, please wear old clothes, sturdy shoes, and work gloves, and bring along a trowel or clippers if you have them. The Society will provide tools, drinks, and snacks.

Meet at the junction of Water Lane and The Dale.

**== Tuesday March 26**

~ 7pm ~ Upper Lands WG mtg in Cedar Rm, Cmnty Ctr

**== Thursday March 28 ~ 5pm ~ NSh Adv Cmte on Disability Issues mtg at DNV M Hall****~~~ March 29th Good Friday and Easter Monday April 1st ~~~****== Thursday April 4**

~ 5pm ~ Mulgrave School Public Info Mtg at Mulgrave (2333 Cypress)

**== Sunday April 7****+ Register to take part in the 2nd annual Hollyburn Hockey Heroes Shootout**

You cd be shooting to score as a Hollyburn Hockey Heroes Shooter at Park Royal. Raise a minimum in pledges to benefit at-risk youth on the NShore. Don't have any skates? No problem b/c all you need is a desire to be part of a fun event for a good cause. You will have the chance to WIN prizes, including a special Hollyburn Hockey Heroes Cup, and will be cheered on by hundreds of ppl and NHL Alumni. A limited number of slots are available, so make sure you register today!

For info and to register, visit: [hollyburn.ca/wp-content/uploads/2013/02/hockey-heroes-registration-2013.pdf](http://hollyburn.ca/wp-content/uploads/2013/02/hockey-heroes-registration-2013.pdf)

**+ Antiques, collectibles offered at Flea Market fundraiser**

Collectors and bargain hunters, get ready to rummage through previously loved goods: the Seniors' Activity Centre (SAC) is hosting their annual Flea Market fundraiser from 9am to 3pm at the WV Arena. All proceeds raised will go to supporting senior citizens and helping the SAC purchase equipment. This annual community bazaar is hosted and coordinated by hundreds of SAC volunteers. **Organizers are now accepting donations of lightly used household items and collectibles including clothing, antiques, artwork, kitchenware, jewellery, furniture, toys, books, and other suitable objects.**

Unacceptable items include mattresses, old rugs, old ski equipment, older heavy couches, older TVs, car seats, cribs, and large appliances including washers, dryers, and dishwashers. Materials left over will be donated to organizations like Big Brothers and the Devtal Disability Assn. Electronics will be recycled through the Electronics Recycling Program and books will be donated to the Reading Tree.

**Donations can be dropped off to the arena at the 22nd St entrance from Mon Mar 25 to Thurs Apr 4 (Mon to Fri, 9am to 3pm and Sun, 10am to 2pm).** The arena will be closed for drop-offs Mar 29 to April 1. Pickups are also available for anyone who is unable to drop-

off their donation -- pls call 925 7280 to arrange a pick-up. More volunteers are still needed to help before, after and during the event.

For more info, pls call and see: <http://www.westvancouver.ca/Level3.aspx?id=44026>

**== Friday April 12 ~ 9am ~ Cmnty Grants Cmte mtg in the Cedar Rm, Cmnty Ctr**

**+++ WV MEMORIAL LIBRARY +++ <http://www.westvanlibrary.ca>**

### = ENGLISH CORNER

If you wd like to practise English conversation -- develop skills, learn vocabulary, participate in interesting discussions, and make new friends, come on Fridays starting **from 10 - 11:30am**. For more info pls call Nadia Varga Majzub at 922 5152.

Facilitated by the Bahai Cmnty of WV in partnership with the Library.

### = More About Room 14

In Room 14, space is allocated to reflect a balance between physical and digital collections and study and social spaces. The room has five zones: a hangout area and a group study area in the center, individual study area, and computer terminals on each side, a fiction reading nook and a meeting room designed to maximize the space's natural light. The book and DVD collections, which the teens rated as their primary reason for coming to the Library, are around the perimeter of the room.

WVML's expert staff are on hand to assist teens in learning how to navigate and evaluate resources to the find the best information, as well as what technology to use to best communicate their work.

The UBC iSchool (School of Library, Archival, and Information Studies) recently interviewed Director of Library Services Jenny Benedict and Youth Services Dept Head Shannon Ozirny for a video profile of WVML's forward-thinking services to youth. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zEwl-lzLWy8>

### = Rare Book Event -- March 14

**~ noon - 9pm ~ David Ellis, Bookseller:** First Nations culture and history, Emily Carr first editions, books on Persia, Military, history of the North Shore and Howe Sound

### = AUTHORS IN OUR COMMUNITY SERIES

**~ 7:30 - 9pm ~ Wed March 27 -- Robert Canning**, author of **Westcoast Reign: The British Columbia Soccer Championships 1892 - 1903**, looks at B.C.'s early social devt through the lens of soccer, providing an account of the game's first practitioners, clubs, leagues, and parks.

**+++ WV MUSEUM +++ 925 729 [http://westvancouermuseum.ca/exhibitions/current\\_exhibition](http://westvancouermuseum.ca/exhibitions/current_exhibition)**

**March 6 - April 27 ~ Pierre Coupey: Cutting out the Tongue – Selected Work 1976-2012**

Artist Talk at the Museum 2 - 3pm on Saturday March 23

Pierre Coupey, founding editor of *The Capilano Review* and co-founder of *The Georgia Straight* has been a practising writer, printmaker, and painter since the early 1960s. In the mid-1970s he made the pivotal decision to focus his energies primarily on visual art, that is, the "wordless" activity of painting. Although the influence and importance of literature in Coupey's life and work cannot be denied, this exhibition will look at Coupey's trajectory as a painter over the last four decades, and on the contradictions and tensions deeply embedded in his abstract canvases and his decision to metaphorically obey Matisse's impossible admonition to "cut out the tongue" and paint.

**The two exhibitions run concurrently at the WV Museum and the Art Gallery at Evergreen in Coquitlam.**

**Pierre Coupey: Cutting out the Tongue – Selected Work 1976-2012**

**Exhibition at the Art Gallery of Evergreen: March 16 - April 27**

Artist Talk: {Sunday} March 17 from 3 to 4pm; Opening Reception 4 - 6pm

Group Poetry Reading: Friends of Pierre's: **Friday March 22 from 7 to 9pm**

**+++ FERRY BUILDING GALLERY +++ <http://ferrybuildinggallery.com> ~ 925 7290**

**> March 5 - 24 -- A Visual Language**

Jin Hong: Linen and silk; Eric Goldstein: Coloured threads, acrylic paint, and plaster on canvas

**> March 26 - April 14 -- The Art of the Landscape**

Paintings and Furniture: Mary-Jean Butler, Greg Allen, Richard Alm, Burns Jennings

**Opening Reception: Tuesday March 26 from 6 – 8pm; Meet the Artists: Saturday March 30 from 2 - 3pm**

**+++ SILK PURSE +++ <http://silkpurse.ca/exhibitions/> 925 7292**

**> March 12 - 31 -- Imagery in Colour and Ceramic**

Two very talented artists explore representational and symbolic imagery in two very different disciplines. Roohy Marandi creates elegant ceramic sculptures & pottery employing emotive imagery & unexpected finishes. Nazanin Sadeghi's beautifully detailed watercolour paintings use the imagery of love-blind birds courting potential mates which are in reality only sculptures or reflections, to explore human relationships.

Opening reception on **Tuesday March 12th from 6 - 8pm**

**> April 2 - 21 -- Cherry Blossoms: A Textile Translation 2013**

**The Vancouver Guild of Fibre Arts** & fibreEssence are delighted to offer the 5th annual juried exhibition of textile art inspired by the cherry blossom. As part of the [Vancouver Cherry Blossom Festival](#), the exhibit is ever-changing, thought-provoking & breathtaking; unfolding as the blossoms blanket Vancouver. Artists from across Canada, the USA, & Japan have created an international celebration of a very special spring event. Ranging from whimsical to heavenly,

works include delicate images on silk, robust sculptures, textile books, & wearable art. Artists will be in the gallery throughout the exhibit's run, demonstrating a variety of techniques.

**Opening reception: Tuesday April 2nd from 6 - 8pm**

**+++ KAY MEEK CENTRE +++ [http://www.kaymeekcentre.com/on\\_stage/events\\_calendar](http://www.kaymeekcentre.com/on_stage/events_calendar)**

Simplest way to get on email list, call 913 3634 (also for tix) or email [tickets@kaymeekcentre.com](mailto:tickets@kaymeekcentre.com)

**o Schumann's "Liederkreis" Romantic German Art Song**

Joshua Hopkins, baritone; Michael Jarvis, 19th-century grand piano; **3pm Sun Mar 24**

**o CLOSE UP AT THE MEEK: LOCARNO, LATIN SOUL -- 8pm Friday April 5**

**o LIAN ENSEMBLE: BRIGHTER THAN SILENCE -- 7:30pm Sunday April 7**

Lian Ensemble & Khosro Ansari / Spiritual Dimension of Persian Music / **BRIGHTER THAN SILENCE**

**+++ ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH 60, West Vancouver +++ <http://www.westvan60.com/>**

http://westvan60.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/march-calendar-large.png  
Office: 922 3587 Lounge: 922 1920 Fax: 922 2659

~ 6pm ~ **Friday March 29 -- Easter Turkey Dinner** in the upstairs hall, tix \$12; av at the bar

~ 7:30pm ~ Entertainment in the lounge by the Alley Cats

**+++ WV CHAMBER of COMMERCE + 926 6614 + <http://www.westvanchamber.com>**

**o Whole Foods Hosts Taste of Spring!**

This Thursday, March 21st from 5pm – 8pm, Whole Foods Park Royal Village will be hosting our newly added Taste of Spring event. This event is modelled after our annual Taste of Holiday and Taste of Thanksgiving events that happen every fall.

For a \$10 donation to the Whole Planet Fdn, our prepared foods dept will be serving guests Poached Salmon with Dill Sauce, Spring Garlic & Pea Risotto, and Spring Vegetable Medley along with tastings from our depts and local partners. The same evening will host our **Silent Art Auction, will funds raised also going to the Whole Planet Fdn.** We have some local artists that have generously donated their pieces to this show, along with pieces from Emily Carr students, and our very own, talented, Whole Foods Market Team mbrs! The kick-off for this begins at 5pm – same time as the tasting.

For info about Whole Planet Foundation: <http://www.wholeplanetfoundation.org/>

**o President's Dinner & Excellence Awards - Buy your ticket now for this popular event!**

**Apr 18 - Location: West Vancouver Yacht Club**

The Chamber's President's Dinner & Excellence Awards will take place April 18 as the business community **celebrates the outstanding individuals and businesses in our community.** Awards will be presented for: **Citizen of the Year** -- sponsored by Hollyburn House; **Big Business** -- sponsored by Mercedes-Benz North Vancouver; **Small Business** -- sponsored by Loren, Nancke & Co.; **New Business** -- sponsored by the Co-operators; **Best Innovator** - sponsored by North Shore Credit Union; and **Young Entrepreneur of the Year** -- sponsored by The Great Canadian Landscaping Company. Media Sponsor: The Outlook. Digital Sponsor: Westvancouver.com: The Directory.

For a list of nominees and finalist click "Register or Learn More".

Members - \$ 99.00, Non-Members - \$99.00 Register or Learn More (including finalists):

[https://www.westvanchamber.com/page/calendar/ezlist\\_event\\_2a5368f1-e65d-45db-ab6b-1bf9c7b19c4f.aspx#.UUj2PL\\_var1](https://www.westvanchamber.com/page/calendar/ezlist_event_2a5368f1-e65d-45db-ab6b-1bf9c7b19c4f.aspx#.UUj2PL_var1)

## ==== CULTUREWATCH ====

### \* THEATRE

**+ ARTS CLUB -- 687 1644 <http://www.artclub.com>**

~ Granville Island Revue Stage: *How has my love affected you?* by Marcus Youssef, **Feb 28 - Mar 23**

~ *My Turquoise Years*, Memoir of a Cdn Girlhood; **Apr 4 - May 4**

~ Stanley Industrial: *Two Pianos Four Hands* Mar 14 - Apr 14

(hilarious; we saw when first out and G laughed so hard cdn't get up at intermission)

**+ PACIFIC THEATRE -- *Mother Theresa is Dead* [pacifictheatre.org](http://pacifictheatre.org) 731 5518 **Mar 1 - 23****

**+ METRO THEATRE 266 7191 [metrotheatre.com](http://metrotheatre.com)**

Terence Rattigan's *The Winslow Boy* previews Fri Mar 22; opens Sat Mar 23

runs Thurs to Saturday from Sat Mar 28 to April 20; Matinees Apr 7 and 14

Order Preview (\$12) Tickets Online. <http://www.eventbrite.com/event/5887919927?ref=ecal>

Click Here to Order: <http://www.eventbrite.com/event/5887919927?ref=ecal>

"Let right be done" The play was inspired by an actual event, which set a legal precedent in the case of Stonyhurst College alumnus George Archer-Shee, a cadet at Osborne in 1908. Set against the strict codes of conduct and manners of the age, The Winslow Boy is based on a father's fight to clear his son's name after the boy is expelled from Osborne Naval College for stealing a five-shilling postal order.

**+ STUDIO 58 -- *Balm in Gilead* (directed by Bob Frazer) 8pm (plus 3pm matinees) **Mar 21 - Apr 7****

**+ JERICHO ARTS CTR 224 8007 x2 [www.unitedplayers.com](http://www.unitedplayers.com)**

United Players presents the North American Première of **THE PRINCE'S PLAY**, a new adaptation by Tony

Harrison from Victor Hugo. HRH The Prince of Wales is a charismatic, champagne-swilling cad always on the lookout for a lovely lass to warm his bed -- and Scotty Scott, his quick-witted hunch-backed jester, seems to be his most devoted and adoring cheerleader.

**March 29 - April 21; Thurs - Sun at 8pm;** Tix: \$16 - \$20; \$10; Preview: March 28; Talkback: April 4  
Last performance: 2pm matinée Sun April 21 (no evening performance)

#### + FREDDY WOOD THEATRE

**Blood Relations**, by Sharon Pollock, a psychological thriller about Lizzie Borden, winner of the GG award for drama. [theatre.ubc.ca](http://theatre.ubc.ca) 822 2678 **Mar 21 - Apr 6**

#### + FIREHALL ARTS CENTRE [firehallartscentre.ca](http://firehallartscentre.ca)

- o theatreforliving (formerly Headlines Theatre) presents **maladjusted** ~~~  
**the mental health system. the people. the play.**

Theatre for Living, the company that brought you *after homelessness...* (2009) and *Us and Them* (2011), is proud to present their new Forum Theatre play, **maladjusted**, created and performed by mental health patients and caregivers. This innovative theatre project and two-day **maladjusted dialogue series** will confront the barriers to patient-centred care within our mechanizing mental health care system.

**Close Encounters With Addiction 8pm March 8 - 24 Tues - Sun**

2 for 1 matinees 2pm March 13 & 17; Interactive, global webcast March 24 8pm

Free **maladjusted dialogue series** March 18th 1:30 and 7pm & March 19th 7pm.

Firehall Arts Centre Box Office: 689-0926 Tickets online: [www.firehallartscentre.ca](http://www.firehallartscentre.ca) Tickets \$12 + service charges

More info: **Theatre for Living** | [www.theatreforliving.com](http://www.theatreforliving.com) | [@headlinestheatr](http://@headlinestheatr) | [facebook.com/HeadlinesTheatre](http://facebook.com/HeadlinesTheatre)

- o **God and the Indian** by Drew Hayden Taylor, starring Tantoo Cardinal; **various times Apr 6 - 20**

#### + PRESENTATION HOUSE 990 3474 [phtheatre.org](http://phtheatre.org)

- o **VITALY: An Evening of Wonders | MAR 23 7:00pm** (Tix \$22)

Vitaly, world class illusionist, presents a show of jaw-dropping, mind bending magic. Every illusion in Vitaly's performance is original and represents an 'impossible dream' that he has set out to accomplish. As a keen observer of human behaviour, Vitaly knows that his show offers far more than magic. It goes beyond illusion to encompass "the realization of our dreams and the celebration of the human spirit."

"...his illusions defy belief" - TV Week, Top 10 things to do, Mar 2-8, 2013

Check out his video on Breakfast Television here. <http://eveningofwonders.com/in-the-media/>

An Evening of Wonders is supported by the Canadian Cancer Society. [www.eveningofwonders.com](http://www.eveningofwonders.com)

- o **Stationery: A Recession-Era Musical** by Christine Quintana; **8pm Apr 4 - 14 (2pm matinees Sat/Sun)**

#### + HENDRY HALL [northvanplayers.ca](http://northvanplayers.ca) 983 2633

**The Drawer Boy**; Cdn drama by Michael Healey, **8pm Apr 4 to 20**

#### + DEEP COVE SHAW THEATRE 929 3200

**Half Life** by John Mighton (meditation on identity, ageing, and the nature of memory) **8pm Apr 5 - 20**

#### + BERNIE LEGGE THEATRE

**Fawlty Towers**; Vagabond Players (New Westminster) [vagabondplayers.ca](http://vagabondplayers.ca) 521 0412

(some performances already sold out!) **8pm with 2pm matinees Feb 28 - Mar 23**

#### \* ART

##### + VANCOUVER ART GALLERY [http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/events\\_and\\_programs/calendar\\_of\\_events.html](http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/events_and_programs/calendar_of_events.html)

**Coming Exhibitions:** for details: [http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/the\\_exhibitions/upcoming\\_exhibitions.html](http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/the_exhibitions/upcoming_exhibitions.html) ]

~ NB: VAG Mbrs receive 20% off admission to the **Royal BC Museum** in Victoria when you show your Gallery Mbrshp card.

For more info contact Member Services at [membership@vanartgallery.bc.ca](mailto:membership@vanartgallery.bc.ca) or 604 662 4711.

**Current Exhibitions Art Spiegelman; Co-Mix: A Retrospective of Comics, Graphics, and Scraps; Open Feb 16**

The first retrospective exhibition of the acclaimed American artist presents works ranging from Art Spiegelman's early underground comics, to his best-known and genre-defining work, *Maus*, as well as recent illustrations and comic art. Co-produced by VAG, the Museum Ludwig, Köln, and the Jewish Museum, NY. Curated by Rina Zavagli-Mattotti.

Read more » [http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/the\\_exhibitions/exhibit\\_co-mix.html](http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/the_exhibitions/exhibit_co-mix.html)

**EXHIBITION James Hart: The Dance Screen (The Scream Too) -- November 2012 to January 2014**

In late 2009, artist James Hart began designing this large-scale sculpture and began carving the work in 2010. This ambitious

project brings together many of the principal animal figures from traditional Haida stories, especially creatures that depend on salmon for their survival.

Read more: [http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/the\\_exhibitions/exhibit\\_hart.html](http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/the_exhibitions/exhibit_hart.html)

## \* SCULPTURE

### + *Tattoos and Scrimshaw, the Art of the Sailor*

Vancouver Maritime Museum 257 8300 vanmaritime.com Mar 14 - Oct 18

## \* MUSIC

### + Out to Lunch: Mar 22 -- VAG 12:10pm -- Arioso Quintet plays Mozart and Mendelssohn

### + OPERA PRO CANTANTI -- procantanti.com at Cambrian Hall at 7pm --

Donizetti: *Lucia de Lammermoor*, Mar 24; Verdi: *La Traviata*, Apr 7 (their 200th performance!)

### + VANCOUVER SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA -- Info on the season: <http://www.vancouversymphony.ca>

#### The Little Russian Symphony

**Orpheum: 8pm Saturday Apr 6; 2pm Sunday Apr 7; 8pm Monday Apr 8**

DaYe Lin, conductor, and Avan Yu, piano\* -- Mendelssohn ~ Ruy Blas: Overture; Brahms ~ Piano Concerto No. 2 in B-flat Major\*; Tchaikovsky ~ Symphony No. 2 in C minor, Little Russian

The epic Brahms Piano Concerto No. 2 is tackled by extraordinary Canadian pianist Avan Yu in a program that also features Tchaikovsky's beautiful, joyous Little Russian symphony.

### + Vancouver Bach Choir & UBC Opera Ensemble

o *200th Birthday Party for Verdi & Wagner*; selections from their Bicentennial concert;

free VPL 7pm Mar 18; Tom Lee Music noon Mar 20

o *Verdi/Wagner Bicentennial Concert*; vancouverbachchoir.com 8pm March 23

### + VANCOUVER RECITAL SOCIETY -- Benjamin Grosvenor, piano, Vancouver Playhouse 3pm April 7

### + EARLY MUSIC VANCOUVER 732 1610 <http://www.earlymusic.bc.ca/CA-CalendarOfEvents.html>

#### o Schumann's *Liederkreis: Romantic German Art Song*

8pm Mar 22 at Christ Church Cathedral; pre-concert discussion at 7:15

3pm Mar 24 at Kay Meek Ctr; pre-concert discussion at 2:15

~ 7:30pm ~ Mon Mar 25 ~ A conversation -- Measuring the Best? A conversation about merit and the university. All events are free, open to the public, and take place in the Fairmont Social Lounge at St. John's College UBC, 2111 Lower Mall. To register for these events: <http://stjohns.ubc.ca/2013/01/disability-and-the-arts/>.

#### Beyond the Screen: Disability and the Arts Series:

Dr. Christopher Lee, Associate Principal, St. John's College Assistant Professor, English, 822 2943 [chris.lee@ubc.ca](mailto:chris.lee@ubc.ca)

### + CHAN CENTRE chancentre.com

o **CHOR LEONI & FRIENDS 822-9197**

Favourites from the past and new works 7:30pm Mar 23

o **UBC SYMPHONIC WIND ENSEMBLE 8pm Mar 28**

o **UNIVERSITY SINGERS AND UBC CHORAL UNION 8pm Mar 30**

o **UBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA 8pm Apr 6**

o **Daniil TRIFONOV** -- 20-yr-old pianist, winner of Chopin competition in Warsaw (bronze), Rubenstein competition in Tel Aviv (1st prize), Tchaikovsky competition in Moscow (gold); **8pm Apr 10**

### + PACIFIC SPIRIT CHOIR and PACIFIC SPIRIT ORCHESTRA

Mendelssohn's masterpiece oratorio **ELIJAH** -- Good Friday 7:30pm March 29

WV United Church 922 9171 tix and info: [pacificspiritchoir.ca](http://pacificspiritchoir.ca)

### + VANCOUVER CHAMBER CHOIR 738 7832 *Bach Mass in B Minor*, ultimate Baroque; Orpheum **8pm Mar 29**

==== NATURE === David Cook 924 0147

#### Thursday March 28th

An event for the Vancouver Natural History Society (Nature Vancouver)

#### A Stroll through 30 Million Years of Stanley Park's Geological History

An interpretive walk along the seawall of Stanley Park to learn about the geology of the Vancouver area.

Join me on a walk along the Stanley Park seawall, and see how 40- to 70-million-year-old rivers laid down sand, silt, clay, and minor coal over a period that included the waning years of the age of dinosaurs. Other features will be giant boulders of 100-million-year-old

granite stranded by the retreating ice, remnants of an ancient volcanoes, concretions in the sandstone, wave-cut notches formed when the sea-level was higher. Low tide at the time of our walk will reveal other features such as wave-cut platforms formed by wave action over the last 5000 years, and see how First Nations peoples made use of the debris left by the glaciers to make fish traps.

This will be a **three-hour walk beginning at noon**. Mbrshp in Nature Vancouver not required, however non-mbrs are limited to three field trips. This event is **by registration** and there is no cost. Contact David at 924 0147 or [cookeco2@yahoo.com](mailto:cookeco2@yahoo.com) to register and receive details as to the meeting location.

### ==== HEADSUP ===

#### + 6A -- 16 March, 2013 6:46:46 PM PDT

have a great sunny weekend! a glorious place to live/be!

**Mar 18 is the last ccl mtg until April 8th** (unless they schedule an extra one).

Briefly, the mtg has some alterations/variances for Ccl to decide on plus the status of West Van Florist, the Ambleside Village Ctr streetscape standards project gets launched as we start to tart up Ambleside, giving it a jolt to vibrancy; with some correspondence deferred, there's over a month's worth so you have to scroll, scroll, scroll.

St Paddy's Parade on Sunday

have a mug of green beer cheer!

Breaking news: the Pacific Salmon (seven varieties) has just been declared BC's provincial fish. Goes along with dogwood (the provincial tree), Steller's jay (provincial bird -- the one with the black head; it's NOT a blue jay), jade the provincial mineral, and the spirit bear (the provincial mammal).

Not much herewith: Main Items, Agendas, QThP at end {all moved to WVM7}

#### + 6B: CNV Nbrhd -- Port; Transmission Line 19 March 2013 3:54PM PDT

Special interest item (and process) -- worrisome

This is a NV issue but it is being forward b/c environment imp to all of us AND to counter treatment by other agencies and levels of govt (I've bolded two points) -- a warning.

Msg from Jackie Swanson; contact her for info: [Jackie\\_swanson@hotmail.com](mailto:Jackie_swanson@hotmail.com)

Hello Neighbours, thank you again for turning out last night to support the **delegation against Hydro for the Port, through North Van City Neighbourhoods**. Thank you Stephanie, Paulah, Ralf and Kevin for presenting through the delegation. I also want to thank the neighbours who arrived earlier and spoke to Council through the two-minute sign up sheets! Excellent pro-action.

For those who weren't able to attend, I think there were some excellent results from last night.

1. About 40 neighbours showed up to give support
2. Port flew in a senior official from vacation to answer questions from Council.
3. **Port Official acknowledged that the Port failed to give the public proper notice and failed to engage them in the decision process.**

4. Port Official agreed that Port is open to change. (Come tonight 6:00 Braithwaite!)  
 5. Port Official says budget has been used up and that budget was one of 7 areas of consideration for decision.  
 6. Mayor stated that he will be in contact with Port Authority Board to ensure that they prepare to go over budget to get this done right, if it can't be done within Budget.

7. **All Councillors are in agreement that the current plan was not what they agreed to, and that they were not adequately informed of this change to the plan they had agreed to.**

Please come tonight and be part of a solution. My strong concern is that this transmission line cannot be allowed through our neighbourhood. We are opening ourselves up as a corridor to the Port for any future requirements, as well as the serious effects on the neighbourhood today. This is not really for us to figure out, it is **for the PORT to figure out. They sold us a package, then switched the goods.** However, we need to attend to keep that message strong.

I look forward to seeing you again tonight at 6:00, Braithwaite Community Centre, 145 West 1st.

Cheers, Jackie

PS: sorry that I haven't been able to update the email to include anyone new who has signed up since Saturday. If there is anyone who has time to update, I am happy to scan the sheets that I have, for you to add to Master List. Some already will be on the list.

PREVIOUS MSG (re publicity):

Hello all,

Thank you so much for all who showed up on our Rainy Saturday Morning on St. David's. We were pleased to see that every Councillor who was available (most of them) managed to make it. We also had exposure on **CBC radio and TV, Global TV and Online**, with expression on interest in the future from others. **North Shore News** should be running a story, possibly as early as today, and **Outlook** is anticipating photos from us (feel free to send them any you took as well!). Media outlets love to know if people are watching and hearing, so a great strategy is to go online and tell them you are, and that you care. Some of the stories got a little bit off track, but regardless, expressed Public Upset.

It is important that we are there tonight regarding the HYDRO issue. That is what the Delegation is presenting and to get off track will not benefit the cause. I will be at Council around 7:00, although we aren't likely going to be on the agenda until 8 or 9 as below.

**{>>> UPDATE: apparently a raucous mtg Tues (19th) night, so it will be on/in the news}**

## + COUNCIL NOTES MONDAY MARCH 11 (three sessions) +

\*NB: typed while ppl speak; gaps; some timestamps in case you want to listen to on the videotape\* E&OE  
 A: Ccl Mtg (financial); B: Cmte of the Whole; C: Agenda Template; D: Reg Ccl Mtg

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### REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING NOTES MONDAY MARCH 11 [FINANCIAL MATTERS]

#### 3:00 PM IN MUNICIPAL HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER

1. Call to Order.
2. Approval of March 11, 2013 Council Meeting Agenda (re financial matters be approved as circulated)

#### REPORTS

##### 3. Divisional Services Review – Parks and Community Services (File: 2100-01)

*Presentation to be provided. ... to be received for information.*

Mayor: remind ppl welcome to speak, pls sign up

Mooi: In Feb we introduced our dashboard with 11 of the 34 services that we felt Ccl wd be most interested in.

We conclude our three-part overview with fees and charges

tonight: philosophy, practice, and review how we establish, and outline a tool we use to review our services, hear reps from cmnty here tonight on their thoughts on fees and charges

review comparable fees and recovery rates with other Ms

overview of our financial assistance prog

diff ways our services

like to ackn assistance from two citizens who assisted us, Mr Graham Nicholls and Mr Alex Tunner

[named mgrs of sections and participants (staff)]

not an exact science; based on best practices

four key approaches: listen to cmnty and work closely with them; look at across Ms to benchmark; incorporate user-pay principles (our fees generally higher)

hard to compare b/c diff services; we're generally 10% higher

build in regular small increases (so easier)

historical fee summary; comparisons; ability to pay

targeted recovery rates

admissions; consideration for youth and seniors: for children 40% discount on adult rate; 30% for youth; super-seniors' rate 20%; 15% discount for students; adult rate is the full fee

working with board of Cmnty Ctrs Society from POV of cmnty benefit

Sue Ketler and Barbara Brink will explain.

##### SK: cmnty benefit score; began as ctr was opening in 2009

CCS has both a prog (needs) and a finance cmte (subsidize or pay full)

discussion about metrics; situational analysis tool; CB score

The Society and staff cd not find any other org capturing the CB of progs in any tangible manner

BB, CCS chair: we had both streams running at the same time

CBs is really talking about values

drafted out about 30 CBs; had a 'sticky' exercise; came up with the seven that you now see

kept refining and finally approved by the Bd and all the cmtes

now used year over year for both cmnty ctr and aquatic ctr

1st: low-cost options -- offers at least a low-cost option (eg yoga)

breadth -- wide range of options (grp fitness; sports)

sole provider? -- if CCtr only provider, it got a point

participation -- if 4/5 age grps (pre-school, chn, youth, adults, and seniors), wd get a point (eg swim lessons)

80% of these progs have wait lists -- challenge, we're full or bursting

{a citizen commented to me: basic economics -- subsidize something enough and the demand will grow beyond your ability to handle -- solution: higher fees???

recognized need / high risk -- v imp benefit (weight room for rehabilitative purposes)

partnerships -- works with at least another prog (presch with Family Services)

reviewed annually

SK: graph in your package, shows CB score and financial

[points and explains highest contributions left to right, etc]

consider offering service, diff way, or

relative adv bds and cmtes involved in CBs

in 2011 District selected to present a case study at an int'l local govt conference on innovative governance models

one of the topic we shared was this CB model system; well-received

CC: %age contribution -- I was on the bd when we were figuring this out

%age of rev after direct expenses, overall cost, admin, etc

rentals, get 100% toward general revs

simpler than with cost of operating, eg concrete vs a grass field

some progs need more admin, more for replacement

better way to [calculate] rally long term? might be too difficult

SK: agree; we're always looking at ways to tweak this

per facility

CC: eg for public swim, 40% toward administering, ... maintenance (might be more than rental)

direct vs these other expenses

global costs we're subsidizing more

SK: yes

CC: too difficult exact cost of service

SK: we do it on a per facility basis; Aq Ctr 26% more

haven't broken down per prog

CC: personal training fares poorly, you don't recover a great deal you can put toward general expenses, yet CB is low, so why we wd not charge more, as an example

SK: for personal training, we're looking to try to improve that contribution

we're cognizant of the rates private charge; not meeting those b/c diff experience (smaller)

weight room services we provide, drop-in; personal training there too and some move in and out

look at graph, look to improve

Sop: you've kept up with the times, looks as if we're ahead 10%

do you take into account land value and to take it to that point?

Mooi: we don't take into account the land value

Sop: it's not a really a true rating {or did he say reading?} then

to get a real accurate reading, must bring in the cost of bringing the building to fruition, as well as the land costs, investment

indication where we're truly at b/c taxpayers have supplied the money

when you go through this figs deciding programming, it seems to have expanded over the years, wch is good, b/c providing, but how does that relate to increase in personnel?

do on %age basis or how ev functions; as fees go up, more demand, more staff needed

SK: as we increase progs, definitely increased instructors; no add'l at prog devt level

Sop: this chart, all costs go into recovery?

SK: the chart, the graph are just the direct costs of the prog, the direct instructor cost and supplies, but the overall facility administration wch wd be customer service, facility and operations, admin, that's not included in this particular chart

{and at an earlier presentation I pointed out that when giving recovery to a the FSTF a few years ago they said they did not include electricity, etc, so it's important that ALL costs be included, not just, or primarily, the instructors. Sop is picking up on this (and then Lewis does). Judge the answers for yourself.}

Sop: one more question, Mayor Smith, what is the annual amt that the Dist, or that the budget, provides for the Cmnty Ctr?

SK: CCtr alone?

Sop: asked that at the last mtg; have it handy?

Mooi: Pam?

SK: 2012 the budget was \$3.1M however the net expense (for the Cmnty Ctr) after rev was \$690K.

{OOOOH. Interesting. When planning for the Cmnty Ctr, we asked over and over how much the operating costs wd be b/c we cd see maybe the cost of the building wd go up (wch they went over b/c original estimate was about \$20M and it ended up over \$40M), we were told \$250K a year. [Up?] We thought it was low and asked at a couple of mtgs, including an ADRA info mtg. \$250K was the mantra.

Similarly, when asked about parking since it was estimated 500 spots wd be needed, we were told a second underground level however that turned out not to be feasible b/c of the ground -- ipso facto, parking problems and impact for residential nbrhd.

(NB: All this before Anne Mooi became Director.)

Sop: in processing do you find net out is sufficient way to get a clear picture of what is going on in the facilities, financially?

SK: net expense, ties into recovery rate, there are comparables to other sim rec facilities in MetroV

Sop: we're roughly 10% higher now, increasing over time? based on assessments, high cost of land and maintenance?

Mooi: we will be talking about that later

Mayor: look fwd to that; ccls then public to speak

TP: CB score re effectiveness and efficiency -- how fitted in with running of the CCtr?

Man: around 56% but seen declining numbers so flagged

reduce number of classes so high % contribution; looking to not offer in future and offer to other (higher)

TP: effective tool, cmnty needs and trends

ML: qualify for me specifically what facility maintenance and depreciation means; I'm a bit confused b/c facility maintenance, not sure if cleaning? replacing the roof? depreciation of bldg or capital assets? don't want to misunderstand what's being presented

PFretz?: facility and op cost on our dashboards wd be the utility component, also cleaning, the set up and take down of rooms, so if rental and set up tables, some of the repairs to mechanical equipment, electrical, plumbing, and also staff that does that

ML: traditional expense items

Ans: yes; operating, no capital expenses

ML: depreciation?

Ans: not included in any of the numbers presenting today, however in some of the numbers in the last--  
ML: --but it says here, "after direct expenses to... blah, blah, and to depreciation". How is it going to depreciation?  
Ans: only go to depreciation if facility over 100% recovery rate  
Mayor: any money there toward depreciation, that's the bottom line  
ML: of equipment or bldg itself?  
like when you go and buy all this fancy gym equipment, capitalize that or expense it?  
Ans: capitalize  
ML: is that the depreciation we're talking here or to replace the CCtr  
Ans: both, although Michael Koke, our Dir/Finance, might wish to comment on that  
MK: correct; wd apply to both and no way to attribute it to one asset or another  
ML: they have diff depreciation rates  
MK: they do  
Mayor: you're proposing, in theory we cd hv a sinking fund to replace 40 yrs down the road  
ML: either way, just want to know what we're doing; not expressing an opinion one way or the other  
want to be clear  
Mayor: Cclr G -- another question on depreciation perhaps?  
NG: no; taking a larger view  
impressed, way ahead of other Ms in terms of metrics, CBs, this whole analysis; it is really impressive  
my only comment, are you charging money for these workshops we're giving other Ms to show them how to do it? b/c I  
think there's a rev-generator  
Ans: we'd like to  
Someone: we shd  
Mayor: at what point do you envision having public comment? do you want to go through entire presentation?  
Mooi: wd be great now  
Mayor: one mbr of public signed up. Ray Richards, do you want to wait for the whole presentation?  
RR: I cd to that or a bit right now  
Mayor: let's get organized; wd hv to come up to the microphone or wait till we're finished.  
RR: now; pardon my voice, recovering from a cold  
[3:35] main problem I have is setting the whole priority for rec and cmnty services, and why taxpayers? don't subsidize  
sewer and water  
they don't subsidize food but subsidizing a lower level thing like recreation  
doesn't seem right  
**a bunch of ppl struggling to pay their rent, mortgages, or grocery bill but they have to subsidize recreation, but only selected recreation**  
don't ask taxpayer to subsidize the skilifts  
why subsidize some recreation and not sewers, etc? skiing not, but skating (ice rink) yes -- go over to 'Eight Rinks' (they  
pay the whole)  
I use weight room six days a week and I get the super-senior discount, don't know why on earth I get that discount?  
if you say, we've got some old fellow or old gal, whose pension is minimal, retired like me for 25 years  
low income and use, but we don't  
we have ppl from NV coming over in Lexuses and getting subsidized; just don't see the logic, subsidizing some  
don't subsidize the skiers  
my wife goes to other Ms, full rental to play duplicate bridge  
my hobby gliding [is not subsidized]  
**shd get 100% from users and not from the prop taxpayers who have minimal income**  
cost, later  
Mayor: wonder how a young-looking man like you talked staff into a super discount  
RR: I didn't. I told her shdn't.  
CC: Ms Mooi comment? It is a thought-provoking  
non-means-testing discounts?  
[always done]  
Mooi: will indicate compared with other Ms; incorporated into dashboards  
CC: increase to such an extent non-viable?  
Sue Ketler: look at M benchmarks elsewhere  
attempt to price our fees so strong revenues; diff service than what's in the private sector  
have a financial assistance prog too  
setting fees is not an exact science; a tipping point; look at fees and what will bear  
  
**{keep track and get close to cost recovery?}**  
painting class 12 ppl and full and want to increase [fee] by 10%  
then 8 or 9 ppl but overall less revenue coming in  
  
**{trial and error; but aim is cost recovery  
only offer courses/classes the pay for themselves?}**  
meet financial target but being careful affordable for general cmnty  
reason we have small increases rather than no change for years  
difficult; bring to Cmnty Ctrs and Srs Ctr Boards  
Mayor: good point you make, Cclr Cam  
when completed, good conversation looking at the whole

ML: price increases vs participation rates and how that affects revenue

Mooi: Pam will present overview

Pam Fretz: Chart shows increases from 2007 to today

FSTF recomm resulted in higher fees

2009 when Ctr opened signif increases, pricing more uniform

2010 an addl 7%

pushback from the cmnty b/c of these three

small, regular increases such as Jan 2011 and 2013

ML: SLIDE has xxx ... do we not have **age-related discounts?**

**PF: for admissions and passes but not progs**

you have a fairly complete package in your book

publicly av Apr 1 used for this year when HST removed

[Charts with rates]

Aquatic about 10% higher than nbrng

hockey: hourly rate within the band of what being charged, other Ms range some 10% lower

BHann, Srs' Ctr: we monitor

eg cafeteria, combined with others for reduced costs

\$500K, much but with others, bigger savings

est reduce by 10% this year, saving \$5K [3:48]

in xxx increased mbrship from \$30 to \$35, for HST and cushion; we'll retain that HST increase

Ctr holds fund-raising events, xxx

fraud seminar -- approved; not sure how to price brochure but demand increasing

applying for student for filing

**many seniors are on fixed incomes and won't ask for discounts**

**48K hours by volunteers -- at \$20/hr**

the ctr keeps them active and alive; have to keep them coming

mbrship is increasing

we have three cycling groups

exercising, outdoor activities have almost doubled, hiking...

**55 to 70 age active; 75 - 80 largest; four seniors over 100**

{shd that be 70 to 80?}

**going to fund birthday parties over 100 -- going to cost us b/c more and more**

**AGM Wed, hope to see you there**

MAB: really happy to hear largest group is 55 to 70; do you know number?

BH: not off-hand but in my files

fastest growing percentage of our growth; small wrt overall 3600 mbrs

Mayor: got that liquor licence?

BH: dilemma, submit now or after election

Dave Patrick: Gleneagles Ctr; joined the Srs Ctr but I'm not over 100

Sue heard about this so she went to Australia

org activities

last summer (school)

tech and rec -- computers from school and staff

prog with St Monica's for kids while Mom and Dad go out to dinner; helps biz too

fees at approp level at this time

clean up parks

on group: GCC, St Monica's, xxx,

Brian Bull big thx

Mayor: glad your Gr 6 and 7 dance went off will without a hitch

DP: and ev happy

CC: your thoughts about increasing charges on those seniors who can't afford it

some seniors doing quite well and being subsidized

**BH: highest %age 70 to 80 and on fixed incomes**

**live in apts [nearby]**

**we have a prog for those: if a sr, confidential, we do subsidize them**

we're looking at our costs all the time

biggest challenge is the cafeteria: added two to cmte, a lot of volunteers work there

how many times asked what wd you like for Christmas? a card (promotes cafeteria)

also have promotion cards

starting to attract tradesmen in the area, coming to the cafeteria

CC: rev from your progs, trips and events, exceeds by \$150K; and food services \$26K

the facility is mostly empty in the evening

BH: age... dances 60 to 70 ppl, wd love to have 100

starting to recover, **the outside activities -- they're paying the full fare**

Mooi: no formal doc for setting fees, instead "longstanding practice"

we're recommending GCC, CCSC, xxx, form a board to look at for 2014

Mayor: make that a recomm, vote?

Sop: no voting at CotW

SSch: this is a ccl mtg, finance

{last time the CotW came before the finance mtg; it is confusing can vote at one and not the other.  
this time CotW follows, and you'll see they have a motion and vote in spite of the intro saying no votes.}

CC: make motion

?xxx give useful [4:03]

useful as Mr Richards said

Mayor: have to move along here, only got 27 minutes

Sop: draw majority of seniors; direct benefit been achieved

situations in wch they won't confide

profound effect on health; nec in any cmnty to provide this service

one wonders as we move forward whether the word subsidy is a big enough issue; recogn how many of those coming outside of our cmnty

Mayor: we're discussing a motion

Sop: not allowed to talk about it?

Mayor: xxx

**ML: wd like to see "by a certain date"**

**fees and services**, then golf course and cemetery and don't think we want citizen input on cemetery fees

**wd suggest we modify the motion to be more definitive of what we're looking for**

**Mooi: wd like to bring for 2014 so good to hv cmte**

**ML: so this being a Finance Mtg, come back to next mtg**

know what it is

Mayor: so cd table it

**MAB: to main motion -- a little bit more guidance to these groups wd be helpful to Ccl**

goes to issue of subsidization; goes to values and principles

we're using certain tools, one is comparing to other cmnties and their resources cd be diff

have something like that?

Mooi: cd apply what we have and go from there

MAB: what are the factors?

NG: sure you've got this in mind  
for srs or whatever they're called now

**keep in mind a lot of families struggling to pay mortgages and daycare, including myself who make less money than seniors**

bring in income tax forms? seems ridiculous

TP: I'd prefer to say defer rather than table

some questions

read through Fiscal Sustainability doc

Jan 2007: adopt a policy re fees..... user pay.... wch is the work we're doing right now

wd hope lift off of that in order to come up with a policy; tremendous amt of work done

if speaking to defer, I will

CC: xxx not even directing staff to come back

just see a direction to consult ppl to see what they think

don't see why defer it

not want staff to go forward and talk to ppl? can defer?

Mayor: have a motion

Some: what motion?

Mayor: **read the motion.** There's no tabling motion

seems straightforward; let's get on

SSch: as said by Dir/Parks

ON SLIDE

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[Lewis and Panz opposed]

Mayor: now move along with presentation

Mooi: recovery rate

where we strive for higher recovery rates -- diff sometimes 10%

ML: not through

not clear what we've got from these three presentations; when are we going to have the full discussion of the three?

Mayor: Ms Mooi will have

then we'll come back with what we've heard

ML: so this at next Finance Cmte mtg?

Mayor: Mr McRadu

CAO: ea of the divisions are [sic] talking about ev dept and biz units

we're running out of time; 17 minutes; postpone Engg and have discussion

PF: had hoped Auditor General wd

**diff views as to usefulness re Aud Gen re their performance auditing**

SLIDE: here recovery rates; only used info publicized on websites

chart has

do not include capital or depreciation

Park return 15% primarily b/c of [4:18] {get list}

WV is higher than six other Ms

2011 and 2012 almost 70%

SLIDES [4:19]

only Surrey published recovery rates

Chart/Slide Cmnty Ctrs' recovery rate is higher, pool too; ice lower recovery rate

Srs' Ctr, volunteer model, higher recovery rate

Financial Assistance Prog adopted in 1987; residents motivated but not able to purchase

Anita: SLIDES -- metrics, access prog

leisure cards, with disability entrance at no charge, need assistance

ML: leisure access card is an absolute godsend to a parent with a child with a disability -- a fabulous prog; staff shd be commended

MAB: how many take advantage?

Ans: 678 number who qualified and whole family; family go home and only register two

CC: diff to compare recovery rates; what is your feeling apples to apples?

Ans: we're about 10% higher

CC: any comparisons with other jurisdictions such as AB, ON, US?

Ans: believe across Canada we are

CC: v helpful this info given to the consulting groups so they understand situation now

Mooi: great suggestion

ML: compared to other Dists interesting but we don't know what their philosophical bent

eg if 50%, wd skew things

have something on their cost structure

Mayor: does that

Mooi: almost

standardized test

major..... invasive plants..... seawalk ..... xxx ..... parks....

public -- 2014 bring forward garbage service

that is our recommendation

want to say thank you to Ccl and the public; concludes our presentation

a pleasure and we've learned a lot

learn a lot from cmnty; they assure we provide [4:27]

thank those here today for time and xxx

Thank Mr Nicholls and Mr Tunner who have helped us in the last few months

thank to staff not here

we are consolidating this package and will put on website

Mayor: you can tell us serious that staff have enjoyed

Mooi: we have learned a lot and for the most part enjoyed that learning

Mayor: summarize what we've learned

CC and Mr Richards; fees and charges coming forward

### **three hours of Parks/Cmnty presentations, come back in April**

CAO: Mr Fung and his staff working diligently for his presentations in April and May

wd like to find out if moving generally in right direction

if wait until second week of April

[4:30] get

Mayor: good thing Mr Fung is listening so he has a good idea

ML: on Mar 18 ccl mtg?

Mayor: tight agenda; in next two or three mtgs

motion to receive the presentation for info

[TP made that motion]

CAO: can't let this go without saying something about Anne

Asked her when she came back beginning of the year; they've slogged night and day and weekends

xxx set the bar v high; thank you very much

Mayor: I was in the middle of asking the question

I was going to thank you and your dept

rolling up sleeves and going at this xxx

Public questions and comments?

[none 4:33]

Take a five-min break

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4. PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS 5. Adjournment of March 11, 2013 Ccl Mtg re financial matters

**>B< @ 4:30pm**

## **CMTE OF THE WHOLE MTG NOTES**

### **4:30 PM IN MUNICIPAL HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER**

**No voting takes place in Committee of the Whole meetings.** Following discussion of an item a decision may be made to forward the item to a regular Council meeting for consideration and vote, or a decision may be made to send an item back to staff to provide further information or clarification before proceeding to a regular Council meeting.

1. Call to Order [4:41]  
REPORTS

**2. Strategic Transportation Plan Status and Implementation (1700-08)** A presentation will be provided.

RF: outline

the District's plan, a doc, in place for a few years

a retreat a little over a year ago; an overview of this particular doc

this is similar to PMP

history then key goals and vision; present transp hierarchy; time-permitting Ccl to discuss and time for next item (Amb Activation)

history

proj that included a WG, over eight months 2009/10, culminated in an open house in 2009

other WGs quite active, one was the Climate Action Grp, some overlap

HDRI Trans (consultant)

anticipates a shift in transp behaviour

trends, rising fuel costs, changing demographics, improvements in technology

Strategic Transp Plan (STP) is a high level doc not meant to be prescriptive; living doc so review and adjust

STP was recd by Ccl in 2010

**Goals: safety, accessibility, ageing; GHG; sustainable transp help meet desires and objectives re climate action charter**

**shift away from sgl-occ vehicles to more sustainable modes; transp alternatives**

policy statements SLIDES

**other goals: inform and educate; how utilize existing infrastructure**

**ped environment -- bn looking at Amb street standards**

engage the youth; Cmte with School look at

inverted pyramid [SLIDE] xxx

forward, analyzing where we've been; plan needs to be integrated

foundational strategies

revised cycling network master plan; working on a ped network plan

need to reach out and work together more with TransLink, Sq Nat, Police, Emergency Services

Implementation Strategies

foundational, staged

Status of Initiatives SLIDE [4:54]

xxx have in your background packages as well

NSh cycling paths, bus shelter improvements with Pattison

{ah, yes; approved in camera when doesn't qualify for that but then when earlier brought up in public, was nixed.}

Min of Trans; Blue Bridge replacement prog

overview -- any questions? [4:56]

Mayor: questions?

TP: great a pedestrian map b/c one of my questions -- have you a time line on that?

working on trail/path network?

**RF: completion of the ped plan; planned for sev years, short of staff, hope to complete this year paths to school, link to others**

ML: we have these reports [listed them]

interested to know wch completed, whether moving them along or can be done faster; possible to update this info shortly?

RF: yes, absolutely

tables from 2010, 2011, 2012, as you know completed parts of Spirit Trail [listed them saying what's completed and what's being worked on)

certainly can supply a summary holdovers, show in future plans

ML: roadscapes; wd be interesting for public to know if near on any of these

what's happening with bridge over Capilano, Spirit Trail, xxx

**disc how to join east and west section of bike path, etc., whatever**

**bit of an albatross; don't know how you're going to get from 31st to HBay**

not looking for answer now

**RF: Ccl may consider Spirit Trail a separate maybe a strategy presented in a couple of months future CoW presentation**

NG: want to be more specific on the list

"walk to school" week

RF: Cclr Booth is on that cmte

MAB: active cmte and happy to share

Emily has been spearheading walk to school and safe routes

TravelSmart prog with three of our schools: West Bay, help me with others, Ray?

RF: was going to say West Bay

MAB: at three pilot schools -- educating the parents and the kids

good survey sent out, 15 responded re safety in their areas and what cd be done to enhance that  
really telling survey around improving a bunch of things re walking to school

an ongoing project

we as a cmte are reviewing our TofRef

**73% of our schools have signif traffic issues: poor driver behaviour, traffic, drop off and pickup**

NG: didn't expect such a long answer from a politician -- just kidding  
re 2011 integrate into bylaws; where are you with that?

RF: one staff continuing to work on

Amb streetscape guidelines; staff coming to Ccl with final standards with month; ongoing

NG: ped master plan?

RF: on work plan for a couple of years, constrained by staff; in position to do this year

NG: under 2012 xxx and greenway plan, where are we?

RF: completed/updated cycling plan, submitted to Ccl implementation plan

improved signage, working with ICBC, opps like stencilling -- along Bellevue

HUB, and Peter Schofield we communicate with

allowance within 2013 budget, get some of that done

**MAB: reading over these docs, raised questions**

**what are our priorities, where are we going?**

**these reports hv bn recd for info without prioritization**

from Mar 15 2010 report: easy to implement; strategy matrix done by consultant; report by Mr Dozzi, three-year plan;  
impressive initiatives -- how are you prioritizing these in moving forward and how have you been

{excellent question}

also brings up the continual debate that if 'recd for info' that means accepted and approved for staff to go ahead.

Sometimes that's claimed.

It's like the Queen as the chess piece -- can go in either/any direction.}

RF: considering it as a lens through wch we filter

have bn able to secure capital budgets; been whittling away at diff components

cycling facility improvements; looking at ped realm in more detail

trying to do some things at all levels

**not ev we do has to cost add'l money; do now, don't have to do as done before; we piggyback on existing work**

see redevt in Amb; Activation can see other

MAB: another Q

Mayor: go to Cclr Sop next then we have another item and public; can come back to you

Sop: increase in bus ridership in Vanc

our work is site-specific; Spirit Trail got a lot of notice a few years ago; think it was a good plan -- long process

CC: STP ever been adopted? only been recd?

signif b/c I don't think the Dist has bought into the transportation hierarchy

{triangle}

toward sustainable modes

do think we've improved the infrastructure but haven't accomplished anything as far as I can tell re reducing sgl-occ vehicles

haven't see reducing; pet peeve, govt says will do something and doesn't.

I personally bus and bike downtown [to work]

have a policy

call a spade a spade; WV demographics [5:16]

Cclr G had a point; reduce xxx

all we can do is change the geography of our cmnty; put more ppl where can access

we can build lots in places where ppl not able to walk [steep]

to sum up, I don't think we've adopted or taken to heart the hierarchy and not the fault of staff

have it, work on it, or not.....

imperative we see Spirit Trail going east

at next mtg looking forward; rather vague

MAB: wrt Cclr Cam, what are we doing really

**implement low-speed vehicles on selected roadways -- what does that mean?**

and **what's a trial intermodal hub? both are in the plan**

RF: need to follow up; cd I try to get back to Ccl?

MAB: low-speed vehicles?

RF: no, no, no, the intermodal one

{but, but, but, it's HIS dept's report!}

MAB: intermodal hub

[5:19] RF: yeah

ML: Ccl had quite a debate on low-speed electric cars; we approved them but nobody ever bought one

Mayor: mercifully, in my opinion

{most droll, Mr Mayor :-)}

ML: I wd agree

MAB: I guess, uh, I know we're limited on time, but my preference and I'm prepared to make a motion on this regard

**but we actually shd consolidate, update, and define what our priorities around transportation are**

think that's where Cclr Cam was going

Right now, we, uh, again, I'm not criticizing staff b/c they don't have clear direction on this and they shd hv

we shd be strategically defining what our transportation plan actually is

honestly I'm really not v clear; understand you say you're looking through this lens

we all have this nebulous idea of okay we're going to be more progressive and envmtally friendly, and encourage car-pooling, and walk to school -- but I don't think there's agreement on that actually personally much too important to us as a cmnty to leave it as undefined as it is

**NG: agree with my last two colleagues; like to bring Transp Plan back, update it, and adopt it**

see a similar chart 2013 - 2015, ideally what our plans wd be

shd bring back the WG mbrs to help you with that, valuable resource

get back on track -- I know most of them wanted to be here to night and most cdn't make it

know you're going to be dealing with financial, but wonder how soon that cd happen

Mayor: before you answer, will give you, Mr Fung, a few minutes to think about it; in the meantime Mr Paul Hundal and Ray Richards; then sum up and move fwd

PH: avid walker, ev night after dinner I walk six kms roundtrip in Amb to Dund pier and back

**started -- went from Lynn Valley to UBC -- took an hour by bike and 1 1/2 hours by bus**

my primary means of transportation is driving

two ways to deal with the strategic shift: carrot and stick

carrot is improving bicycle infrastructure, walking infrastructure; the stick is what I've seen happen here: monkey-wrenching traffic, taking away rt-hand turn land at 13th & Marine

monkey-wrench traffic, you're not helping; congestion, burning way more green house gases

look at PkR's been like the last few weekends, it's been a nightmare; hundreds of tons more GHGs due to probs w/ traffic this M is built around cars, that's not going to change

by making it more difficult, by taking away parking -- in next item talks about taking away parking -- there's already not enough parking in Amb and that's hurting biz

I'm strongly opposed to any initiatives of the stick, the monkey-wrenching of traffic and parking to achieve that goal all your efforts shd be on improving bicycle infrastructure, improving the ped infrastructure, but not the others

want to stress that point

wrt the bicycling [5:23]

**at the same time that you took away rt-hand turn at 13th and Marine you also didn't put a bicycle lane from 13th to Pk R -- dangerous**

**9/10 cars good with bikes but 10 cars go by ev hour**

**Spirit Trail from 13th to PkR -- can't ride as a commuter traffic -- dodging dogs -- it's a rec, not designed for commuter/transportation**

Mayor: you've made good points and I thank you for making them

**Ray Richards: same point as Mr Hundal made**

inverted pyramid not suitable for WV

vertical doesn't work in this cmnty

**my friends and acquaintances all in 70s and 80s -- you're not going to put them on bicycles**

**dumbest thing I've heard of**

xxx I go pick up my friend a WW2 vet, pick up another friend then three; can't find parking, won't come

you've got to change that thing around, it's the wrong type of triangle

CAO: you've just heard two opposites wch is why not adopted

taken consensus

quite fractious so devp workplans for 2013/14 going forward

challenge was shd there be a recomm to adopt this; can open to public if Ccl wants; try to balance the two opposites and move fwd

Mayor: Mr Fung summarize?

RF: understand

CC: if this isn't the plan, then what is the plan?

understand not adopted, understand

my ideas may not be adopted but we shd have a sense of what our plan is

Mayor: out of that work plan will come a plan

MAB: thank you; understand where you're coming from

Mr Richards made a good point; if this cmnty concerned about being at the low end of the hierarchy

I only have one car; car-pooling; can use cars [better]

Mayor: he's bringing that back for 2014?

RF: take Cclr B's comments under advisement

ML: you might want to go back to 2010 and see, maybe see video

was recd for info and not adopted, as CC says

you may not like it but

Sop: it is what it is; looking at change over a period of time; not set; evolving; look at years to bring to that go down to details picking it apart can do it all over again; give it a rest, see what's done and praise that....

Mayor: Cclr Sop has summarized; come back with 2013/14 work plan

[5:34]

**3. Ambleaside Activation (File: 2195-01)** A presentation will be provided.

Sokol: not Planning Dept, been District-wide; panels out to public

no sgl action will revitalize Amb; a series of small steps necessary

see sev small steps to goal

**recent public engagement: public mtgs and over 300 in attendance**

**fulsome discussion, refinement based on what heard**

**Waterfront Plan rolled out in 2010**

**Millennium Park -- Lawson Crk studios**

**took back to public, strong public support for the waterfront plan**

**bringing bylaws forward; integrating policies into OCP, refine not complete rewrite**

**zoning, duplex housing, not suitable on waterfront****shd be spelled out, arts, uses, etc****will be brought forward to you, was going to be Mar 18 but full agenda so April 8**

1468 and 1472 Argyle: strong support for restaurant, opposed concerned about keeping waterfront commerce-free or unaffordable for most ppl; location -- cut off ppl from waterfront

**RFP for a food and beverage will be issued; selection in summer, final agreement consideration fall 2013**

MAB: final

Sokol: draft proposals

**Mayor: when RFPs come in, Ccl will see and make it a final decision**

CC: better keep on Mar 18 agenda; can't see this item taking a long time; rather than waiting to Apr 8

turns 13th to 18th {xxx cdn't hear; xxx}

Sokol: 13th to 18th wd include the Sailing Club; figuring out re changes to Amb Park

ML: any change to park dedication issue; want to make sure flagged and addressed; don't want to miss the boat on that re 1468 and 1472, it takes so darn long to come to fruition

we started talking about this the day we closed the deal on the house

won't be a restaurant until 2014 and given length, late 2014

**let's move on some of these things;** fast implementers, xxx fast track; let's do something [5:44]

Mayor: go through and Qs at end

Sokol {have to insert here this was a fast and complete presentation with points rapidly shot like a machine gun firing facts}: broader mix of biz wanted so work with Ch/Commerce

want fewer -- we have limits on banks -- heard fewer beauty salons, financial institutes, see more non-chain restaurants, boutique shops/cafes bakeries hotel more high-end shops

Second part, land devt -- last looked at 2005/2006; mkt signif diff from then; see what hindering devt; staff -- second round are there some hindering Amb devt

**SLIDES**

market study; types of biz wanted; land devt economics

Tim Schmidt of Urbanics is here, wanted to listen, see what Ccl's thoughts are, what we're doing to try to revitalize Amb be coming back to Ccl with a report in June on those two things; opp for Ccl to discuss those things and what's going on in Amb

Mayor: just a sec, Cclr G; going to whip through this presentation then going to get questions

Sokol: Amb Pk concession: respondents strong desire for improvements to quality, diversity, including more reg hours

{[5:47] SLIDE has the list, result of survey}

**Amb Streetscape Standards -- for approval on Mar 18**

bikes -- combined Argyle, whether with Spirit Trail

**Argyle Ave: favour of a bike lane; opposed concerned about taking away parking; skepticisms re closing until parking found**

Harmony Arts, festivals, a success; maybe occasional weekend closures; brt to CoW in May so options brt fwd hi end shops

Cmnty Gardens can be better incorporated into Park or relocated

**Farmers' Market -- 14th Street a good location, favourable reviews; staff will report back in May****ppl interested in food carts/trucks, how interact; Staff will report back in April on optimal locations; some discussion w/ potential vendors**

Godfrey's house 1528 Argyle; future uses ppl like to see; restaurant? cultural centre, tear-down, parkland?

**staff suggested it be removed; plans devpd for using that site in the spring**

perhaps replacing the house with a gazebo, a sitting area (to look at the water in all sorts of weather); discussions with potential funders and the plans in spring with potential construction in fall

one item, heating/cooling ocean loop/geothermal [SLIDE 5:53] -- further exploration; work prog for Mgr of envmt (when hired)

Hollyburn Sailing Club: strong support; bldg ageing, not best location, blocks access to waterfront; continue walking trail in front; better make use of facility; concession stand? washrooms? kayak rental? all sorts of ideas, expanding options

WV was selected by Urban Land Institute of BC for a Technical Assistance Panel in April -- as project for them to look at; reporting to Ccl in May; ULI will supply a grp of [architects], urban designers, landscape architects, and land devt experts to look at the issue of the sailing club, include other attributes looking for

Panel in Apr and reporting out to Ccl in May; looking fwd

John Lawson Park -- ground-breaking tomorrow! will be completed by Sept 30; Dist has received some grants; it's a partnership

**Sidewalk Dining -- ev loved the idea**

Argyle, MDr, Bellevue, 1300blk, 1400blk Clyde

Staff will work with Ch/Comm, ABA, Dund BA, and HBay Biz Assn

Silk Purse -- adding a stage? incremental improvements; more design work -- 2014 budget

Spirit Trail: get on with it; sep bike and ped lanes -- report re strategy for Spirit Trail by end of the year

Visual Arts Ctr: mixture of responses; why not increase space Silk Purse, Lawson Crk studios, FBG

Arts Ctr Bd devping its biz plan; report in June this year

Mayor: exciting recomms

Sop: biz re too many of one, real estate, stores, banks; wonder create enthusiasm in biz but btw you can't have this or that biz

how can we control livelihood let alone space --- are we getting down to that?

Sokol: said we want vitality some not what they desire, encourage window-shopping

not be closing down existing biz; say we don't want more of this

Sop: a Ccl policy?

Sokol: if want to go in that direction

Sop: Farmers' Market cost?

DepCAO: discussion with vendors and will look at contract to see if feasible; have to conclude in next month or so

NG: four questions

Spirit Trail: between 13 and 19th St; agree, let's get on with it  
did you say time line for that portion?

Sokol: to Engg

RF: even that section will be a part of the overall strategy

have a consultant working; topography and other considerations

wd like to come back before the end of the year; wd like to bring back where we're at, earlier than later

NG: next budget?

RF: yes

NG: re Silk Purse, how rationalize with water?

BL: little in terms of improvements on beachfront; foreshore work wdn't impact

NG: not going to talk about foreshore work wrt Amb?

BL: not specifically

NG: food carts xxx

b, c, shd we get those consultants to be looking at those too?

Sokol: restaurant food cart/truck saturation; whether reaching that point

NG: consolidated helpful

keep as many there as poss; educational [6:05]

Sokol: no specific plans for cmnty gardens now, maybe other locations, perhaps Dir/Parks

Mooi: will get public input b/c want

**Mayor: see some mbrs of public just arrived; maybe want to sign up**

TP: 1468 and 1472 is restaurant in play

nice to have these principles in front of us

streetscape planning; sidewalk cafes in planning?

integration of restaurants and food

wrt ocean loop -- embedded in our Climate Action Plan

re Silk Purse, I asked in January re costs re damage

aware of future considering this started in 1975

**Sokol: advantage at 1468, 1472 -- not going to be privately devpd, we own; we can make it happen**

sidewalk dining -- when AC1 and AC2 they required further setback so sidewalk wd be wider

generally a cleaner walk, now blocked public access

Mayor: ask Cclr Booth and Lewis to be quick b/c seven signed up to speak

MAB: Amb analysis and secondly BIA -- haven't heard much

third: do any of these involve speaking to any of the owners in the town centre?

Sokol: some background work has commenced; don't anticipate speaking to owners but to biz owners (what's it like; where customers coming from)

consultant will be doing a complete inventory, making comparisons to sim retail districts -- where we need more, less will be making recomm

Sokol: re analysis, what are ppl paying now?

can be done at FAR 1.75? impact of CAC, whether it affects devpt

BIA is not something Dist does, might work with biz assns

Mayor: public now

Joanna Tremblay: so many exciting devts and sounds like a lot of opposition

{Well, as you saw just up a bit, this group only arrived a few minutes ago -- there's been virtually no opposition so she must just be making an assumption.

Pity they missed Sokol's thorough presentation, favourably recd.}

what's imp to me and my fam

young fam -- bike tops, Spirit Trail (where's ours, diff to get to; not comprehensive)

grew up in Amb and hv seen the deterioration; to attract ppl from all around without having to go across the bridge for fine dining or xxx

must embrace fine dining on waterfront (sidewalk); have a social gathering place for families

atrium with entertainment, retail, ctr of Amb, atrium like Cmty Ctr; enjoy quiet and conversation -- a good example

Amb needs something sim to that, not in Dund, they have

Bobbie Burgers: my first ccl mtg, a little nervous

the mtg at the Library a few weeks ago -- staff said come to Ccl and show your support

emailed 100 ppl we're about 40 and excuses -- I'm still at work, don't have a babysitter

like all the ideas, not the details

like to bike, if a three-yr-old weaves all over the street so have to have a bike lane

sorry some can't bike or walk but we do rain or shine

love to have xxx [6:18]

tempted to go on seawall?

Sarah Dubois: we feel so passionately about WV, support Bobbie

looking around me, astounded at how few here

**has to be a strategy to get ppl involved**

**all these imp initiatives, need ppl to come out**

**Mayor: if you can think of a strategy, we'll do it**

{yes, a common plaint; we all try but not always successful -- as they've just found out}

Cori Creed: xxx farmers' mkt xxx

{an artist; Cclr Cameron's wife}

so many lawns along our waterfront; change some south of those lawns

cover so can sit on benches, wifi

how can we make that better? teas?

look at my kids, think of where they can go

NAME?: have a son 15, daughter 13, they love to bike

what we find difficult, feels sad have to leave -- Stanley Park is beautiful but wd love to get on bike and go to HBay

so many schools connect safely

not go onto MDr to go to HBay; dangerous

super-committed

as with Robbie's kids; hard to garner ev

all here supporting change; a way to connect ev

Pierre Tremblay: support what's been said; do think bike lanes , strongly support

**Paul Hundal: pretty easy to come to consensus, want a bike lane**

the devil is in the details and

My daughter went to John Lawson and now take granddaughter, same equipment, recognize the same squeak

my daughter has three kids, no other choice but take them down to Lawson Park

**have to have parking** and [6:24]

Spanish Banks, or White Rock (bldgs on one side)

**prob in details -- bldgs blocking the path**

give up on the park so can get by; don't want chn with cars; not worry about being hit; need a continuous corridor; south of the tracks

all for entertainment, wine bars, etc; have them on Bellevue

rlwy berm protect from sea -- maybe shdn't be bldgs there

said in my letter and saying ageing

entertainment strip Bellevue; parking; bldgs moved out for Spirit Trail and I don't see that in this vision and don't think it will work out

Ann Gallery: moved here from Toronto four years ago; love living here

all these plans look exciting; support Bobbie Burgers and all these plans

do festivals in summer and work well; what about more? say also Friday nights, June July August; Sat and Sun, more frequent

Mayor: Lisa Divine

Ans: she's not here yet

Cedric Burgers: I had my name down

Mayor: someone must have eaten it

CB: my wife's here, three-yr-old, we love to bike the seawall

Audience: Spirii Trail

CB: hard to bike without pissing off, sorry, had ppl accost me even when know I'm in the right

seems to be a complete lack of vision [6:30]

not enough to rely on Whole Foods

Mayor: has Lisa Divine arrived yet?

Ans: yes

Mayor: we've been eagerly awaiting your remarks

LD: good, Montessori money has come through for the park, it's taken four years

so much, wait, nothing happens; someone came, proposal, and it ended

want to enjoy it, kids enjoy it; want to see this go forward

Mayor: Mary Burgers

MaryB: married to Cedric Burgers, I was born in Vanc and he was in WV

got married and he said WV and I said no, b/c ev goes to bed at 8pm

xxx; what I do miss -- Greek Days; road xxx

last year went to Persian festival and it was fantastic

block off Marine Drive; as elsewhere; like other places [6:34]

Sophia Berg: I, like Mary, got convinced to move to WV; had one child and now three

great here, safety, so I said let's give it a try

lived in UK for five years and then Commercial Dr; sense of cmnty

**moving to WV, don't get the sense there's young ppl and a core**

**PkR is the best and I don't want to hang out at a shopping mall**

Amb feels it cd have those core values

why can't there be a bike route -- I live in Dund, go to Amb, can't bike

three kids need 18 arms

Fourth Ave strollers, but not in Amb -- no fun stores or fun restaurants

big fan of Grosv, great draw

if bike route don't have to drive cars there

horrible little stores, don't even know how they exist

100% for devt in area, bike route

another beef of mine, sidewalks between without sidewalks; cars zipping by, not safe; don't want to walk my kids to school

until Grade Seven

Mayor: Ccl

CC: xxx oh, I can't do that

Mayor: motion on the floor

MAB:

CC: great to have everyone out here; first get ppl in the door

initiatives good, like Cclr Lewis, want see them yesterday

actual on the ground changes

**re farmers' mkt, PkR and FMkt ppl talking -- if we make it uncomfortable for FMkt we'll be losing a fantastic market, we'll be losing**

want to encourage ppl to come here, have to be welcoming, remove barriers, liven waterfront

Mayor: it's 6:41 and reg ccl mtg

{to start at 7pm}

so I'll call the question on the motion

CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

{yet again, voting during CotW when it says at introduction no votes!

how are they going to handle and address this?}

[whispers]

Mayor: Cclr Cam makes a good point

all these after seeing this will want to come to ccl mtgs

This is the only item on the agenda at 7pm

motion to adjourn?

YES

for 15 minutes

**{ALL BELOW TOTALLY OMITTED (forgotten?); jumped to adjournment}**

#### **4. Future Committee of the Whole Meeting Items (File: 0120-01)**

An opportunity for Council members to request or suggest items for future Committee of the Whole meetings.

5. Public Questions/Comments

RISE AND REPORT

6. Committee of the Whole rise and report

7. Adjournment of March 11, 2013 Committee of the Whole meeting

**>C< Notice of Special Ccl Mtg:**

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Reports
3. Other Items
4. Public Questions/Comments
5. Adjournment

**>D<**

## **SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING NOTES**

### **7:00 PM IN MUNICIPAL HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER**

1. Call to Order.

2. Approval of March 11, 2013 Special Council Meeting Agenda

REPORTS

#### **3. Ambleside Activation Public Engagement Summary and Recommendations for Next Steps (File: 2195-01)**

*Please see report in March 11, 2013 Committee of the Whole agenda package.*

CC made motion: THAT Staff implement the Ambleside Activation items set out in section 4.2 (a) to (q) as recommended in the report titled "Ambleside Activation Public Engagement Summary and Recommendations for Next Steps", dated February 20, 2013.

CC: I'll defer my comments to the end; all been said xxx

ML: want to thank Mr Sokol for his presentation earlier; thank public for coming to encourage us to do something my initial comments have been captured by staff

many of us wd like to see this move faster

water bleeding edge rather than leading edge

will be voting in support; ask staff to move fwd with great haste

MAB: app comments made

**ppl want Spirit Trail friendly bike path, walk and other types of transport, not nec commuter**

**mix re shopping, dining, more vibrancy to this town ctr of ours**

**if we're going to do this want an economic market analysis**

**Mr Sokol said he wdnt be speaking with owners of the bldgs**

**mistake; I think you can speak to xxx [7:04] FAR and CACs but also think there's a prob around short-term leases see it**

reason not getting good tenants, nail shops and H&R Block -- tenants are not putting any money in and my feeling is the owners of those bldgs b/c waiting for something; no one's going to make investment if on six-month leases anecdotal

are they off-shore? just collecting rent and need a nudge

missed opp of we don't speak to the owners of those bldgs

[applause]

TP: of course going to support

doc from 1970s; study ambitious and expensive

{my, she does do research!}

acq for future enjoyment

**things take time b/c they have to be right**

really is a privilege to be here today and to get things going

**imp to get it right; sometimes haven't in past and put us behind**

**must ackn, we are just a legacy of some who have come to this point**

get it right as we catapult it into the future

NG: have to be cognizant of history; govts

**excited tonight b/c most number of speakers under 50 ever, tonight!**

[applause]

you can see how diff it is to have public consult, diff to get here; it's not easy

encourage you to stay connected; great for us and for the cmnty

the posters of ev idea

great tsunami of activity; consultations been done well

what I hear from the ppl who came tonight

one is gathering places -- open plazas, places covered given our weather

another that struck me, before ppl got here, transp and the Spirit Trail

Spirit Trail between 13th and 18th, think it shd be along Argyle

wd like to see items in our budget for 2014, get shovels in the ground for next year

**Sop: I'm not your average old fogey -- have kids and one who's 13**

bike xxx [7:12]

looked at series of events

**50 years ago we started buying the waterfront homes and we still have two or three to go**

treat south of the tracks an absolute treasure; cognizant the biz district needed up...

happy to see staff went through and answered all these .... through to 2015; wholeheartedly in favour of all the things down here

other major concerns: Amb park, rising tides

we've even said we'll give you a rush -through

nice to see ev out to support this b/c taken a long time to get here

Mayor: interesting for me tonight was Cclr Panz mentioned a doc in '70s

I was a v young boy in 50s, no PkR

ride our bikes down TWay and watch the traffic light work

xxx [7:14]

ev started getting two cars and it all changed

shopping in Van 4th Ave, Robson St, &&

and Amb is basically the same; will just be some shabby place you drive through; now is the time for action

[APPLAUSE]

CC: ev has spoken well, bring some life into WV; articulate what I mean by 'fun'

seems superficial

to me a fun cmnty is one where ppl engaged, healthy, feel like they belong, where they want to be  
need

**what we're trying to do is create places ppl want to be**

all of these speak in one way or other; a great start -- some time before fruition

my impression things move slowly here before on Ccl and now see why; understand Cclr Panz

move fwd today is one step

as each comes forward, eg doing RFP for restaurant, Farmers' Mkt

40 years, and hope won't take another four

Mayor: xxx

4. OTHER ITEMS -- No items.

**5. Public Questions/Comments [7:17]**

Paul Hundal: [decided use of waterfront] land?

Sokol: OCP amendment, Public Hearing, through that process

PaulH: re Art Ctr, parking under the water table

Mayor: let proj move a little further along; don't know if will be a project; won't be if no money.

6. ADJOURNMENT

## ==== AGENDAs MONDAY MARCH 18 ====

### 6pm CLOSED ccl mtg AGENDA:

90 (1) A part of a ccl mtg **may** be closed... if the subject matter being considered relates to...:

(a) personal info about an identifiable individ who holds or is being considered for a position as an officer, employee, or agent of the municipality or another position appointed by the municipality;

(k) negotiations and related discussions respecting the proposed provision of a M service that are at their preliminary stages and that, in the view of the council, **could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the M if they were held in public;**

Purpose of meeting: Cmte mbrshp and proposed provision of M service matters.

## 7pm REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

1. Call to Order.

2. Approval of March 18, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Agenda

**3. Adoption of Feb 25 Cmte/Whole Mtg Minutes; and Feb 25, Mar 4, and Mar 6 Ccl Mtg Minutes**

March 4, 2013 minutes to be provided.

**{why??? Minutes used to come out weekly. Why not even ready two weeks later???**

RECOMMENDED: THAT the following Minutes be adopted as circulated:

February 25, 2013 [Committee of the Whole](#) and [regular Council Meeting](#);

March 4, 2013 Reconvened Public Hearing and [special](#) and regular Council Meetings; and

March 6, 2013 [special Council Meeting](#).

**DELEGATIONS****4. NShore Family Court and Youth Justice Committee re 2011/2012 Annual Report (File: 0115-20-NSFC1)**

RECOMMENDED: be received for information, with thanks.

**5. D. Ghavami, Prez, Iranian Cdn Congress of Canada, re Support of Norouz Festivities at Amb (File: 2180-02)**

RECOMMENDED: be received for information, with thanks.

**REPORTS****6. Reports from Mayor and Councillors on Boards, Committees, and Working Groups****7. [Development Variance Permit Application No. 12-055 \(6418 Bay Street\)](#) (File: 1010-20-12-055)**

*PowerPoint presentation to be provided.*

At the Feb 18 reg mtg Ccl received the report dated Feb 7 re Devt Variance Permit Applcn for 6418 Bay St and set the date for consideration for Mar 18.

Reports received up to and including March 14, 2013:

L Berg / Feb 7 / for Ccl consideration Feb 18, Mar 18

Written Submissions received up to and including March 14, 2013:

D and H Weiser / Mar 6 / Mar 18

Troll Enterprises / Mar 13 / Mar 18

**PRESENTATION BY APPLICANT****CALL FOR PUBLIC INPUT**

RECOMMENDED: THAT all written and oral submissions be rec'd

If Council wishes a further staff report: RECOMMENDED: THAT staff report back

OR

RECOMMENDED: the DVP Applcn for 6418 Bay St, wch wd **allow for a 52 square metre two-storey rear addn with a Zoning Bylaw variance for parking**, be approved.

**8. [Heritage Alteration Permit Application No. 12-060 \(4733 Piccadilly South\)](#) (File: 1010-20-12-060)**

*PowerPoint presentation to be provided.*

At the Feb 18 reg mtg Ccl rec'd the report dated Feb 7 re the Heritage Alteration Permit Applcn for 4733 Piccadilly South and set the date for consideration for March 18, 2013

Reports received up to and including March 14, 2013:

L Berg / Feb 7 / for ccl consideration Feb 18, Mar 18

Written Submissions received up to and including March 14, 2013: No items

**PRESENTATION BY APPLICANT****CALL FOR PUBLIC INPUT**

RECOMMENDED: THAT all written and oral submissions be rec'd

If Council wishes a further staff report:

RECOMMENDED: THAT staff report back to Council

OR

RECOMMENDED: THAT [this applcn], wch wd allow for addns and alterations to an existing house, with Zoning Bylaw variances **for highest bldg face, number of storeys, building height, and the rear yard, be approved.**

**9. [Zoning Bylaw No. 4662, 2010, Amendment Bylaw No. 4736, 2012 \(1821 Marine Drive\)](#) (File: 1610-20-4736)**

The proposed bylaw received first reading at the Dec 10 reg Ccl mtg, was the subject of a PH held and adjourned on Jan 21, and the subject of a Reconvened PH held and closed on Mar 4. As the PH has closed Ccl is not permitted to receive any further submissions regarding the proposed bylaw.

RECOMMENDED: THAT "Zoning Bylaw No. 4662, 2010, Amendment Bylaw No. 4736, 2012" be read a second time.

RECOMMENDED: THAT "Zoning Bylaw No. 4662, 2010, Amendment Bylaw No. 4736, 2012" be read a third time.

**10. [Awards Committee Accomplishments and 2013-2014 Work Plan](#) (File: 0116-20-AWARD)**

*PowerPoint presentation to be provided.*

RECOMMENDED: THAT

1. The Community Awards Committee Accomplishments and 2013-2014 Work Plan report be received for information; and
2. The Committee's Work Plan for 2013 - 2014 be approved.

**11. [Ccl Reconsideration of Directions from Cmte/Whole Mtg on Nbrhd Character/Housing held Jan 28](#) (File: 2515-02-01)**

RECOMMENDED: THAT

1. The Housing Action Plan dated Nov 2012 be adopted to provide the framework for the Planning Dept's work on housing during 2013-2014; and
2. The District's 2013-2014 **deptal work plans include 'housing bulk' and 'boulevards' as priority work items** as described in the report dated March 4, 2013.

**12. [Ambleside Village Centre Streetscape Standards Project](#) (File: 2515-21) *PowerPoint presentation to be provided.***

RECOMMENDED: THAT

1. The document entitled "Ambleside Village Centre Streetscape Standards" dated March 1, 2013 **be adopted as the reference standard for all future improvements and remediation treatments of sidewalks, crosswalks, lighting, street furniture, and other changes to public realm areas** within Ambleside Village Centre;
2. **Options for a separated bicycle pathway south of Marine Drive** in the Ambleside Village Area be further identified and assessed in conjunction with **adjacent waterfront development planning initiatives and the Spirit Trail initiative, and brought back to Council** for consideration; and

3. The conceptual designs proposed for the two designated “festival streets” (14th and 17th Streets, from Marine Drive to Bellevue Avenue) set out in Section 3 of the March 1, 2013 Streetscape Standards document **be given further study** as the area redevelops and brought back to Council for consideration and implementation when appropriate.

**13. OCP Amendment, Rezoning, Devt Permit Applcn No. 12-053 for 370 / 380 Mathers** (File: 1010-20-12-053)  
*PowerPoint presentation to be provided.*

RECOMMENDED: THAT

1. Community consultation on Official Community Plan Amendment, Rezoning and Devt Permit Applcn No. 12-053 for 370 and 380 Mathers Avenue take the form of Design Review Cmte consideration and a public meeting in April 2013 with direct notification of the public meeting provided to the properties shown on the map attached as Appendix E to the staff report dated March 7, 2013 from the Sr Cmnty Planner and the Mgr of Cmnty Planning, and a notice of the public meeting be posted on the District website; and
2. Following the cmnty consultation on the devt proposal for the land at 370/380 Mathers Ave, staff report back to Ccl on the results of consultation, and provide a complete review of the devt proposal and recommended next steps.

**14. Applcn for Amendment to Liquor-Primary Club Licence - WV Yacht Club (5854 Marine Dr)** (File: 1605-14)  
 RECOMMENDED: THAT DWV participate in the licence amendment process for an existing Liquor-Primary Club Licence for the WV Yacht Club by gathering public input in the manner set out in the report dated March 5, 2013e Drive,

## CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

### 15. Consent Agenda Items

*... for approval in one motion, or considered separately, or items may be excluded for debate.*

**15.1. 27TU27TU Development Applications Status ListUU27T27T** (File: 1010-01)

RECOMMENDED: received for information.

**15.2. Correspondence List from March 4, 2013 Agenda** (File: 0120-24) ([see link on electronic agenda](#))

*The following correspondence was deferred at the March 4 Ccl mtg. **{and appeared in prev WVM so reduced font}***

RECOMMENDED: received for information.

### ~ Council Correspondence Update to February 15, 2013 (up to 12:00 Noon) ~

#### Referred for Action

- (1) M. Montanya, January 16, 2013, regarding “Ambleside Food Stand”  
 (Referred to Director of Parks and Community Services for consideration and response)
- (2) J. Lunter, February 6, 2013, regarding “Ambleside and Dundarave Traffic Optimization”  
 (Referred to Director of Engineering and Transportation for consideration and response)
- (3) S. Radcliffe, February 8, 2013, regarding “**Two oddities in new garbage pickup**”  
 (Referred to Director of Engineering and Transportation for consideration and response)
- (4) B. McArthur, February 11, 2013, regarding Upper Lands Study Review**  
 (Referred to Director of Planning, Land Development and Permits for consideration and response)
- (5) D. Curran, February 12, 2013, regarding “Incorrect Liquor Licence Application notice sign on Curling Road”  
 (Referred to Director of Lands, Bylaws, First Nations and Legal Affairs for consideration and response)
- (6) February 14, 2013, re “2012 5 Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 4717, 2012, Amendment Bylaw 4745, 2013”**  
 (Referred to Acting Chief Financial Officer for consideration and response)
- (7) February 14, 2013, regarding “5 Year Financial Plan Bylaw No. 4717, 2012, Amendment Bylaw No. 4745, 2013”**  
 (Referred to Acting Chief Financial Officer for consideration and response)
- (8) Feb 14, re “Public Safety Building – Project Status Report for January 2013 – 18 Feb 2013 Agenda Item # 9”**  
 (Referred to Mgr of Facilities and Assets & Acting Chief Financial Officer for consideration and response)

#### Received for Information

- (9) M. Silverbrooke, Feb 14, re “VARIANCE PERMIT NO. 13-001 – To be considered at Council Mtg February 18, 2013”  
 (Referred to February 18, 2013 Council meeting for Council consideration)
- (10) 15 submissions, dated January 26 – February 14, 2013, re 1300 block Marine Drive**
- (11) R. McNutt, February 4, 2013, re “**Important Talks on [Citizens'] Wireless Radiation Concerns**”
- (12) 2 submissions, dated February 13, 2013, regarding Capilano Rugby Club Liquor [Licence] Application

#### Responses to Correspondence

- (13) B. Sokol, Dir/Planning, Feb 8, response to E. Lyman re “Fwd: **Radiation from Wireless Devices** – Dangers Young People Need to Know About!”
- (14) B. Sokol, Dir/Planning, Feb 8, response to Wood WORKS! BC re “44 Wood First commitments in B.C. and counting. Could you be next?”
- (15) B. Sokol, Dir/Planning, February 8, 2013, response to P. Best regarding “DWV Use of Kay Meek Theatre”
- (16) B. Sokol, Dir/Planning, Feb 8, response to Royal Lepage Northshore re “Topic: Innovations in Housing: Self-Owned “Secondary-Basement) Suites”

### ~ Council Correspondence Update to February 22, 2013 (up to 12:00 Noon) ~

#### Referred for Action

- (1) P. Chapman, February 15, 2013, regarding “FW: Emailing: IMG\_0976\_1\_1.JPG” {photograph}  
 (Referred to Director of Planning, Land Development and Permits for consideration and response)
- (2) 2 submissions, dated February 17, 2013, regarding Marine Drive at 23rd Street  
 (Referred to Director of Engineering and Transportation for consideration and response)
- (3) J. Adams, February 20, 2013, regarding “FW: Thank You for speaking out on Parking Costs for PSB”  
 (Referred to Acting Chief Financial Officer for consideration and response)
- (4) D. Frank, dated April 25, 2012, received February 21, 2013, re “Ref: New Bi-weekly Garbage Collection.”  
 (Referred to Director of Engineering and Transportation for consideration and response)
- (5) K. Robinson, February 21, 2013, regarding “Ambleside”  
 (Referred to Director of Planning, Land Development and Permits for consideration and response)

#### Received for Information

- (6) Committee and Board Meeting Minutes – **Board of Variance** – January 16, 2013
- (7) Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM), January 15, 2013, regarding “**UBCM MEMBERSHIP**”
- (8) Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM), February 12, 2013, regarding “**BROWNFIELD RENEWAL: UPDATE & SURVEY**”

- (9) J. Mahon, Feb 14, re "Notice of Public Consideration Proposed DVP No. 13-001 (1690 21st) dated Jan 31, 2013"  
 (Previously received at February 18, 2013 Council meeting for Council consideration)

**(10) 9 submissions, dated January 22 – February 22, 2013, regarding 1300 block Marine Drive**  
 (Attachments available for viewing in Legislative Services Department) See (d) and (g)

- (11) 77 submissions, dated February 17 – February 22, 2013, re Capilano Rugby Football Club Liquor Licence Application Responses to Correspondence

- (12) Dir/Planning, February 14, 2013, response to K. Higgs re "As Sent to W. Van Historical Society this Morning..."  
 (13) Director of Engineering and Transportation, February 18, 2013, response to A. Lepiarczyk re "Rules of engagement"  
 (14) Dir/Engg and Transportation, February 18, 2013, response to S. Radcliffe re "Two oddities in new garbage pickup"  
 (15) Manager, Bylaw and Licensing Services, February 18, 2013, response regarding "Parking Signs – Traffic and Parking Bylaw No. 4370, 2004; NSN 3 Feb 2013 p. A6 "Mailbox: WV parking signs mislead"  
 (16) Mgr, Bylaw and Licensing Services, February 18, 2013, response to W. and M. Hill re "Parking Regulations Bylaw"  
 (17) Manager, Bylaw and Licensing Services, February 18, 2013, response to Pret-a-PorterLuxe re "WHAT NEXT?"

**~ Council Correspondence Update to February 26, 2013 (up to 4:30 pm) ~**

Referred for Action

- (1) F. White, February 28, 2013, regarding "**Seaview Trail**"

(Referred to Director of Engineering and Transportation for consideration and response)

Received for Information

- (2) Committee and Board Meeting Minutes – West Vancouver Memorial **Library Board** – January 16, 2013

- (3) D. Umbach, February 25, 2013, regarding "Gleneagles – Health and Safety of Kindergarten Students"  
 (Previously received at February 25, 2013 Committee of the Whole Meeting)

- (4) 3 submissions, dated February 25, 2013, regarding Wireless Communication  
 (Previously received at February 25, 2013 Committee of the Whole Meeting)

- (5) TransLink, February 25, 2013, regarding "Results of 2013 Bus Service Optimization Public Consultation"

- (6) 2 submissions, dated February 13 - 26, 2013, regarding 1821 Marine Drive  
 (Referred to March 4, 2013 Reconvened Public Hearing)

- (7) 75 submissions, dated February 16 – 26, 2013, regarding Capilano Rugby Football Club Liquor Licence Application

Responses to Correspondence

- (8) Admin Assistant to the Director of Parks, February 25, 2013, response to M. Montanya re "Ambleside Food Stand"

- (9) Director of Planning, February 25, 2013, response to K. Losken re "Collingwood School/Glenmore properties border"

- (10) Director of Planning, February 25, 2013, response to two submissions from P. and H. Chapman re 1105 Esplanade

**(11) Director of Planning, Land Devt, and Permits, Feb 25, response to B. McArthur re Upper Lands Study Review**

- (12) Engg Outreach Coordinator, Feb 26, response to Western [Residents'] Assn re Connecting Seaview Walk and Horseshoe Bay

- (13) Engg Outreach Coordinator, Feb 26, response to J. and C. Adshead re Connecting Seaview Walk and H Bay

- (14) Engg Outreach Coordinator, Feb 26, 2013, response to K. Hardie re Connecting Seaview Walk and Horseshoe Bay

- (15) Engg Outreach Coordinator, February 26, 2013, response to H. and D. Miller re Connecting Seaview Walk and H Bay

- (16) Engg Outreach Coordinator, Feb 26, response to V. and S. Thompson re "Proposed Spirit Trail - Horseshoe Bay"

**15.3. Correspondence List (see link on electronic agenda) (File: 0120-24)**

RECOMMENDED: received for information.

**Council Correspondence Update to March 1, 2013 (up to 12:00 Noon)**

Referred for Action

- (1) B. McArthur, February 27, 2013, regarding Gleneagles Sound Barrier**

(Referred to Director of Engineering and Transportation for consideration and response)

- (2) P. Way, February 27, 2013, regarding "Comment on the West Vancouver Garbage Collection Reduction in Service"  
 (Referred to Director of Engineering and Transportation for consideration and response)

Received for Information

- (3) K. Higgs, Feb 22, re "Rising Trend: Poop Powers Ski Resorts and Water Treatment Ctr in Europe / Renewable Energy News Article"

- (4) M. Bowling, February 25, 2013, regarding "Cell Tower Bylaw Revision"

(Attachments available for viewing in Legislative Services Department)

**(5) 8 submissions, dated February 21 – March 1, 2013, regarding 1300 block Marine Drive**

- (6) 19 submissions, dated February 26 - March 1, 2013, regarding Capilano Rugby Club Liquor Licence Application

- (7) North Shore Black Bear Society, February 28, 2013, regarding "2012 Report – North Shore Black Bear Society"

- (8) West Vancouver Chamber of Commerce, February 28, re "Re-zoning Application – West Vancouver Florists" [sic]  
 (Referred to March 4, 2013 Reconvened Public Hearing)

**Council Correspondence Update to March 8, 2013 (up to 12:00 Noon)**

Referred for Action

- (1) J. Hackett-Kennedy and B. Kennedy, March 4, 2013, regarding "Fwd: Collingwood School"

(Referred to Director of Planning, Land Development and Permits for consideration and response)

- (2) March 4, re "Council approvals for the **funding of the Public Safety Building** for activities scheduled for 2013"  
 (Referred to Dir/Lands, Bylaws, First Nations & Legal Affairs, and ActingCFO for consideration and response)

- (3) Canadian Cancer Society, BC and Yukon Division, February 22, 2013, re "Declaring April 27, 2013 Daffodil Day"  
 (Referred to Municipal Clerk for response)

- (4) K. Willcock, March 5, 2013, regarding "Parking Bylaws"

(Referred to Director of Lands, Bylaws, First Nations & Legal Affairs for consideration and response)

- (5) M. Chipperfield, March 5, 2013, regarding Taylor Way Maintenance

(Referred to Director of Engineering and Transportation for consideration and response)

- (6) The Outlook, March 7, 2013 regarding "Marijuana forums"

(Referred to Mayor and Council for consideration and response)

Received for Information

- (7) Cmte and Bd Mtg Minutes – Gleneagles Cmnty Ctr Adv Cmte – December 13, 2012 and January 10, 2013

- (8) MetroV, Feb 22, re "Sample Municipal Bylaw for the Mgmt of Waste and Recyclable Materials from Demolition Work"  
 (Attachments available for viewing in Legislative Services Department)

- (9) MetroV, Feb 22, re "Technical Specifications for Recycling Storage Space and Access in Multi-Family Residential and Commercial Devts"  
 (Attachments available for viewing in Legislative Services Department)
- (10) 5 submissions, dated February 28 – March 4, 2013, regarding 1821 Marine Drive (West Van Florist)  
 (Previously received at March 4, 2013 Reconvened Public Hearing)
- (11) A. McFarlane, March 1, 2013, regarding "Park Royal's additional traffic tie-up."
- (12) 3 submissions, dated March 1 – March 6, 2013, regarding Seaview Walk
- (13) NShore Waterfront Liaison Cmte, March 5, 2013, re "Save the Date – Harbour Tour, NSh Waterfront Liaison Cmte"
- (14) K. Watson, March 5, 2013, regarding "Roadwork Margaree Place"
- (15) 18 submissions, dated February 27 - March 7, 2013, regarding 1300 block Marine Drive**
- (16) Undated Petition with 183 signatures, regarding 1300 block Marine Drive**  
 (Attachments available for viewing in Legislative Services Department)
- (17) 3 submissions, undated, regarding 1300 block Marine Drive**  
 (Previously received at March 4, 2013 Regular Council Meeting)
- (18) Ambleside Dundarave Ratepayers' Assn, undated Petition with 1431 signatures, re 1300 block Marine Drive**  
 (Previously recd at Mar 4 Reg Ccl Mtg) (Attachments available for viewing in Legislative Services Dept)
- (19) **166 submissions**, dated Feb 27 - Mar 8, 2013, regarding Capilano Rugby Football Club Liquor Licence Application
- (20) Undated Petition with 11 signatures, regarding Capilano Rugby Football Club Liquor Licence Application
- (21) Undated Petition with 8 signatures, regarding Capilano Rugby Football Club Liquor Licence Application
- (22) 2 submissions, March 8, 2013, regarding West Vancouver Strategic Transportation Plan Review
- (23) February 28, 2013, regarding "Sale of Live Animals in Pet Stores in West Vancouver"
- Responses to Correspondence
- (24) Engineering Outreach Coordinator, March 5, 2013, response to F. White regarding "Seaview Trail"
- (25) Dir/Engg and Transportation, Mar 5, 2013, response to B. MacArthur re Gleneagles School Sound Barrier Removal
- (26) Dir/Engg and Transportation, March 7, 2013, response to D. Close re "Request for Crosswalk lighting – Dundarave"
- (27) Dir/Engg and Transportation, March 7, response to J. Lunter re "Ambleside and Dundarave Traffic Optimization"
- (28) Dir/Engg/Transp, Mar 7, response to P. Way re "Comment on the WV Garbage Collection Reduction in Service"

### **Council Correspondence Update to March 12, 2013 (up to 4:30 pm)**

#### Referred for Action

- (1) B.C. Govt and Services Employee's Union, February 28, 2013, re "Community Social Services Awareness Month"  
 (Referred to Municipal Clerk for response) (Attachments available for viewing in Legislative Services Department)
- (2) Burrard Inlet Fireworks Society, March 6, 2013, regarding "2013 Canada Day Burrard Inlet Fireworks Show"  
 (Referred to Mayor/Ccl for consideration and response) (Attachments av for viewing in Legislative Services Dept)
- (3) NSh Emergency Mgmt Ofc (NSEMO), Mar 8, re "NSEMO Volunteer Recognition Event – Wed, April 24, 2013"  
 (Referred to Mayor and Council for consideration and response)
- (4) R. Beltz, March 8, 2013, regarding "Public consultation ....Capilano Rugby Club ....primary Liquor Application"  
 (Referred to Director of Lands, Bylaws, First Nations and Legal Affairs for consideration and response)

#### Received for Information

- (5) D. and H. Weiser, March 6, 2013, regarding "Proposed Development Permit #12-055 (Olive & Anchor Restaurant)"
- (6) Pacific Energy Corp., Mar 12, re "Feasibility Study Initiated for Proposed Small-Scale Liquefied Natural Gas Project at Former Woodfibre Site near Squamish, B.C."

- (7) 13 submissions, dated February 26 - March 11, 2013, re Capilano Rugby Football Club Liquor Licence Application

#### Responses to Correspondence

- (8) Manager, Engineering Services, March 8, 2013, response to D. Frank regarding "New Bi-weekly Garbage Collection".

### **16. OTHER ITEMS**

Council has requested that the following correspondence be brought forward for discussion, and may propose a motion if Council considers that further action is required.

*Items 16.1 and 16.2 were deferred at the March 4, 2013 Council meeting.*

#### **16.1. D. Umbach, February 25, 2013, re "Gleneagles – Health and Safety of Kindergarten Students"**

(Previously received at February 25, 2013 Committee of the Whole Meeting)

#### **16.2 P. Chapman, Feb 15, re Glare from Nbr's Reflective Roof - "FW: Emailing: IMG\_0976\_1\_1.JPG"**

(Referred to Director of Planning, Land Development and Permits for consideration and response)

### **17. Public Questions/Comments 18. Adjournment**

#### **==== ANIMALWATCH ==== CATWATCH!**

Clouded leopard cubs -- <http://youtu.be/tQzeW7aQSIM>

Patting baby jaguar -- <http://youtu.be/nbrx3bKvLMg>

Four baby cheetahs -- <http://youtu.be/uuaQ3tmIW0M>

#### **==== INFObits ====**

##### **+ LEGACY OF IRAQ WAR -- Attitudes toward the US changed as a result (copy and paste URL below)**

[http://www.thestar.com/opinion/commentary/2013/03/19/key\\_legacy\\_of\\_the\\_iraq\\_war\\_is\\_the\\_shift\\_in\\_foreign\\_attitudes\\_toward\\_the\\_us.html?utm\\_source=twitterfeed&utm\\_medium=twitter](http://www.thestar.com/opinion/commentary/2013/03/19/key_legacy_of_the_iraq_war_is_the_shift_in_foreign_attitudes_toward_the_us.html?utm_source=twitterfeed&utm_medium=twitter)

##### **+ Good to see Harper takes the 'international' view, not the narrower one of Baird and Kenney**

[http://www.thestar.com/opinion/commentary/2013/03/18/whose\\_freedom\\_counts\\_in\\_canadas\\_middle\\_east\\_policy.html](http://www.thestar.com/opinion/commentary/2013/03/18/whose_freedom_counts_in_canadas_middle_east_policy.html)

##### **+ Gaza militants fire rocket into Israel for the first time in three months**

A single rocket from Gaza 'rattles' a three-month truce, while Israel's many attacks on Gaza during that same period, killing four and wounding 91 Palestinians, rattles no one and goes unmentioned in this article.

[http://www.thestar.com/news/world/2013/02/26/gaza\\_militants\\_fire\\_rocket\\_into\\_israel\\_for\\_the\\_first\\_time\\_in\\_3\\_months.html](http://www.thestar.com/news/world/2013/02/26/gaza_militants_fire_rocket_into_israel_for_the_first_time_in_3_months.html)

**== BEERWATCH == Of course, with St Patrick's Day, gotta talk about beer!****How Beer Gave Us Civilization**

by JEFFREY P. KAHN published: March 15, 2013

HUMAN beings are social animals. But just as important, we are socially constrained as well.

We can probably thank the latter trait for keeping our fledgling species alive at the dawn of man. Five core social instincts, I have argued, gave structure and strength to our primeval herds....

...we needed something that would suppress the rigid social codes that kept our clans safe and alive. We needed something that, on occasion, would let us break free from our biological herd imperative — or at least let us suppress our angst when we did.

We needed beer.

...But beer's place in the development of civilization deserves at least a raising of the glass. As the ever rational Ben Franklin supposedly said, "Beer is living proof that God loves us and wants us to be happy."

Several thousand years before Franklin, I'm guessing, some Neolithic fellow probably made the same toast.

The whole article: <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/03/17/opinion/sunday/how-beer-gave-us-civilization.html>**== ROYALWATCH ==****~ Royal Chat: Kate's baby bump...and more [[CANADA.COM MARCH 17, 2013]**Short article; presenting shamrocks during the St Patrick's Day Parade to the Irish Guards, a tradition since 1901.  
<http://www.canada.com/life/royals/Royal+Chat+Kate+baby+bump+more/8112340/story.html>**~ PHOTOWATCH Gallery: William and Kate mark St. Patrick's Day**

The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge present shamrocks. {The photos however, are rather repetitive.}

<http://www.canada.com/life/Gallery+William+Kate+mark+Patrick/8112341/story.html>**~ Message from The Queen to Colonel Hadfield, 13 March 2013**

I am pleased to transmit my personal best wishes, and those of all Canadians, to Colonel Christopher Hadfield as he takes command of the International Space Station on Wednesday. Our thoughts and best wishes are with him and the entire crew, as are our prayers for an eventual safe return to family, friends and fellow Canadians.

ELIZABETH R.

**== TIMEWATCH == TENTH ANNIVERSARIES -- has it been that long?****+A+ Start of Iraq War** {Wiki has both March 19th and 20th}**10 years later, many see Iraq War as costly mistake** Dan Nowicki, The Arizona Republic 3:43am EDT March 17**The U.S. suffered more than 4,480 deaths and 32,000 wounded during the Iraq War, which opened 10 years ago this week.***More than 100,000 Iraqi civilians would die violently, according to the website Iraq Body Count.*

The price tag for the war, according to nonpartisan congressional researchers, was at least \$806 billion, although that figure doesn't take into account related expenses such as coming decades of veterans benefits and other costs including medical treatment and job retraining for wounded soldiers. The massive spending contributed to the nation's current financial troubles and limits U.S. ability to respond robustly, if needed, to other international threats.

While history's verdict is not yet in, the new Iraq so far hasn't turned out to be the stable, strategic ally in the region that U.S. officials envisioned, despite the \$60 billion that taxpayers spent on reconstruction. Greatly weakened, Iraq now is viewed as vulnerable to influence from neighboring Iran as well as internal sectarian violence.....

...today, the dream of democracy taking hold in Iraq is questionable at best. Corruption is rampant, and confidence in the country's institutions, such as its law-enforcement and legal systems, is low. Even the Iraq War's staunchest defenders are pessimistic about the country's postwar outlook.

The whole article: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2013/03/17/iraq-war-10-years-later/1993431/>**+B+ 2003 March 16****TENTH ANNIVERSARY ~ ~ Rachel Corrie, American peace activist (Olympia, WA 10 Apr 1979 – Gaza 2003 Mar 16)**...While in Rafah, Corrie acted as a human shield in an attempt to impede house demolitions carried out by the IDF using armored bulldozers.[25] Demolitions were a common tactic employed at that time in Rafah, for military purposes according to the IDF, or as collective punishment according to human rights groups.[26] According to B'Tselem, approximately 1,700 homes were demolished resulting in 17,000 people becoming homeless between 2000 and 2004.[26] Corrie was a member of a group of about eight activists from outside of the Palestinian territories who tried to prevent the demolitions by acting as human shields.[26]......Qishta, a Palestinian who worked as an interpreter, noted: "Late January and February was a very crazy time. There were house demolitions taking place all over the border strip and the activists had no time to do anything else."<sup>[10]</sup> Qishta also stated of the ISM activists: "They were not only brave; they were crazy."<sup>[10]</sup> The confrontations were not entirely safe for the activists: a British participant was wounded by shrapnel while entering an olive grove to retrieve the body of a young Palestinian man killed by an Israeli sniper's bullet, and an Irish peace activist named Jenny was nearly run down by a bulldozer.[10]...

On March 14, 2003, during an interview with the Middle East Broadcasting network, Corrie said:

I feel like I'm witnessing the systematic destruction of a people's ability to survive.... Sometimes I sit down to dinner

with people and I realize there is a massive military machine surrounding us, trying to kill the people I'm having dinner with.[10]

According to a January 2003 article by Gordon Murray, in the last month of her life Corrie "spent a lot of time at the Canada Well helping protect Rafah municipal workers" who were trying to repair damage to the well done by Israeli bulldozers. Canada Well was built in 1999 with CIDA funding. It, along with El Iskan Well, had supplied more than 50% of Rafah's water before the damage. The city had been under "strict rationing (only a few hours of running water on alternate days)" since. Murray writes that ISM activists were maintaining a presence there since "Israeli snipers and tanks routinely shot at civilian workers trying to repair the wells." In one of her reports, Corrie wrote that despite her group's having received permission from the Israeli District Command Office and the fact that they were carrying "banners and megaphones" the activists and workers were fired upon several times over a period of about one hour. One of the bullets came within two metres of three internationals and a municipal water worker close enough to spray bits of debris in their faces as it landed at their feet. [27] According to Murray, the Canadian government refused to "officially protest or denounce the Israeli army actions", yet "quietly agreed to help fund the estimated \$450,000 repair costs".[28]...

...The Observer suggested that because Corrie was American her death attracted more attention than the deaths of Palestinians under similar circumstances: "On the night of Corrie's death, nine Palestinians were killed in the Gaza Strip, among them a four-year-old girl and a man aged 90....

...[during the court case in Haifa] the Palestinian physician from Gaza who had examined Corrie's wounds on the scene was unable to testify after Israel refused him an entry visa and rejected an application for him to testify by video link. [83]...

...In 2004, Alaska composer Philip Munger wrote a cantata about Corrie called The Skies are Weeping, which was scheduled to premiere on April 27 at the University of Alaska Anchorage, where Munger teaches. Some objected to the upcoming performance, including members of the Jewish community, and so a forum was held, co-chaired by Munger and a local rabbi, who described the work as bordering on antisemitic because Corrie was working with Palestinians and said that consequently it "romanticized terrorism". Munger later related that he had received threatening e-mails "[just] short of what you'd take to the troopers", and that some of his students had received similar communications. [101] After the forum "disintegrate[d]", Munger announced, "I cannot subject 16 students ... to any possibility of physical harm or to the type of character assassination some of us are already undergoing. Performance of The Skies are Weeping at this time and place is withdrawn for the safety of the student performers." [102] The cantata was eventually performed at the Hackney Empire theatre in London, premiering on November 1, 2005. [103]...

from: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rachel\\_Corrie](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rachel_Corrie)

{NB: As The Economist pointed out a couple of years ago (to my surprise), more than 2/3 of Congress owe their elections to Jewish funds. Control/Influence of the media results in (North) Americans not having reports of (illegal) actions that (naturally) anger Palestinians (a fair percentage are Christians and Fatah is "nationalist secular") often provoking reaction. The most balanced reporting I've seen in NAm is from Quebec (Francophone press). The Israeli newspaper Haaretz actually does criticize some Israeli actions -- things you'd never see over here either from not knowing or fear of being called anti-Semitic.

As if being critical of Harper or Christy Clark is being anti-Canadian.

What govt or political party never does anything wrong?

Indeed, or any of us.]

FYI, Hanna Kawas of CanPal emails:

The program Voice of Palestine recently interviewed Mahmoud Abdelal of Montreal about the upcoming Palestinian Return Conference in Vancouver in May. The closing piece of music was dedicated to Rachel Corrie on the 10th anniversary of her murder by Israeli forces. Our music was by Egyptian Canadian singer Miriam Tollar, entitled simply Rachel. May her memory live on.

Click on this link to access a download of the interview: <http://www.voiceofpalestine.ca/?p=3729>

## == WORDWATCH == sakura = cherry blossom (Japanese)

## == HERITAGEWATCH ==

+ HERITAGE SOCIETY of BC <http://www.heritagebc.ca/home/> <http://www.heritagebc.ca/heritage-week-2013>

**Reminder: Heritage BC AWARDS -- Nomination Deadline: APRIL 1, 2013**

The closing date for receipt of award nominations has been extended to April 1. Information and nomination forms can be found on-line: <http://www.heritagebc.ca/awards/>

Recognizing excellence and achievement in heritage conservation as well as advocacy, awareness, and planning – it's one of the most important ways we can support heritage in British Columbia.

+ HERITAGE WEST VAN [heritage.westvan.org](http://heritage.westvan.org) (922 4400) now planning for Cmnty Day June 1

+ HERITAGE VANCOUVER SOCIETY

E-bulletin sign-up for event listings, alerts, heritage info; all coming events: [www.heritagevancouver.org](http://www.heritagevancouver.org)

o Heritage Talks:

Vancouver's Main Post Office -- The Role of the Community in Determining its Future

~ 7- 9pm ~ Wednesday March 27

LOCATION: Arts & Culture Alliance; #100-938 Howe St; Tix: Admission is FREE, but pre-registration is required  
Join Heritage Vancouver and send a message to the city that you are interested in maintaining the Heritage Post Office (1958) on West Georgia. We invite to you to provide input into future uses for Vancouver's Main Post Office. The Canada Post building is one of the city's last completely intact mid-century modern buildings and is made even more prominent by the fact that it occupies a full city block. The Post Office building that was owned by the people of Canada and Vancouver was sold on January 25th, 2013 to British Columbia Investment

Management Corporation (BCIMC), one of Canada's largest institutional investment managers.

To date there has been no opportunity for people to have a say in what uses they would like to see in the building once it is no longer used by Canada Post. Right now the future of the Post Office block is uncertain and is in the hands of the successful owner/developer and the City of Vancouver.

**Heritage Vancouver is providing the community with the opportunity to express their ideas about the kind of uses they would like to see in the building. All comments will be passed along to the City of Vancouver** and will be made available through community media. People who are unable to attend the conversation will have the opportunity to provide their ideas after the event.

To kick off the conversation we have invited:

**Philip Boname**, of Urbanics Consultants, **Patricia Bourque** of Bourque Brueggerto Architects, and

**Bruno Freschi**, a distinguished architect best known for his role as chief architect for Expo 86.

Let's send the message to our city government that the people of Vancouver have an interest in what happens to this prominent building!

See our 2012 Top 10 Endangered Sites entry for the Main Post Office: [www.heritagetvancouver.org/topten/2012/topten2012\\_01.html](http://www.heritagetvancouver.org/topten/2012/topten2012_01.html)  
Come join the conversation! Register via Eventbrite at [hvs-postoffice.eventbrite.ca](http://hvs-postoffice.eventbrite.ca)

## = VANCOUVER HERITAGE FOUNDATION --

### Introducing Paul de Guzman - Vancouver artist for The WALL

Vancouver-based artist Paul de Guzman was selected from a fantastic group of submissions, to be the next artist featured in our partnership with CBC Radio-Canada and JJ Bean Coffee Roasters. The WALL, located at 700 Hamilton, is a 30' x 40' concrete wall where installations from local artists respond to Vancouver's built history. Paul's work utilizes the CBC Archives with an archival image, and a phrase taken from a CBC radio broadcast. For more about the new work, entitled "the people are the city..." read our Spacing blog post.

**The new piece will be going up on March 22nd**, so Hamilton Street will be closed during the installation. We'll be announcing plans for an official launch party shortly after, so check back on our website for details of the event, which will include words from Paul about his work, speakers about the The WALL project, food, and music.

**INSTALLATION: March 22nd; CBC Plaza** -- Info: <http://www.vancouverheritagefoundation.org/special-projects/the-wall/>

### o TAKE A WALKING TOUR <http://www.vancouverheritagefoundation.org/take-a-tour/walking-tours/>

**For more information on any of our tours or to sign up:**

Walking Tours - Fri 12pm, Sat 10am \$12/person Bike Tours - Select dates and times \$20/person

### o Places That Matter

<http://www.vancouverheritagefoundation.org/special-projects/places-that-matter-plaque-project/>

### > Russian Community Centre - Places That Matter

The Russian Community Centre (RCC), **established in 1956, occupies the former Kitsilano Theatre, built in 1927** as one of Famous Players' chain of suburban cinemas from 1930 to 1955. It was briefly used as The Afterthought, a coffee house and performance space, during 4th Avenue's hippie era. The RCC's purpose is to provide a venue where people interested in Russian culture can gather and socialize. It promotes and supports Russian cultural activities. The RCC is **home to the Russian Balalaika Orchestra (est. 1968), the RCC Yablochko Russian Dance Ensemble (est. 1971) and the RCC Pushkin Russian language school (est. 1970)**.

**Saturday March 23rd:** 1 - 2pm Plaque Presentation; 11am - 5pm Visit the Russian Spring Bazaar  
\$2 admission gets you Russian food, crafts, music, & dancing! 2114 West 4th (off Arbutus)

### > Quadra Club: The Story Behind the Facade - Brown Bag Talks

Speakers Robert Lemon, Robert Lemon Architect, and Peter Odegaard, MCM Architects, will talk about the historic Quadra Club building's incorporation into the new 1021 West Hastings building now under construction. The site is located next to The Marine Building, and the original Spanish Renaissance style entrance to the University and Quadra Club will be preserved.

**Wednesday March 27th:** noon – 1:30pm, \$12; BCIT Downtown Campus, Rm 870, 555 Seymour St

## == HAIKUWATCH == *Vancouver Cherry Blossom Festival*

Jessica Tremblay writes: **Sakura Days - Call for volunteers (haiku table)**

This is a call for volunteers for the **Haiku table** at **Sakura Days Japan Fair Saturday April 6 - Sunday April 7** at the Van Dusen Garden.

There are four shifts available: Saturday or Sunday in the morning (10 - 1:30) or the afternoon (1:30 - 5). Volunteers get free access to the garden for the day they are volunteering.....

Our goal at the haiku table is to invite visitors to learn about haiku, write a haiku to display on our beautiful cherry tree, and pick up a free haiku postcard to perfect their haiku for submission to the **Vancouver Cherry Blossom Festival Haiku Invitational**.

Other haiku activities at Sakura Days include a "Haiku and small book demonstration" (noon) by Terry Ann Carter the president of Haiku Canada, "Learn about Haiku" (1pm) with Michael Dylan Welch, Haiku Invitational reading (Sunday), **Haiku Walk (3pm)**, and our haiku minstrels Vicki McCullough and James Mullin will be reciting haiku in the garden with music (ongoing).

I hope you can join us for Sakura Days Japan Fair and volunteer some time.

To learn about the event: <http://www.japanfairvancouver.com/> Pls e-mail me your availability at [jtrembla59@hotmail.com](mailto:jtrembla59@hotmail.com)  
Jessica Tremblay, Coordinator of haiku events for Vancouver Cherry Blossom Festival <http://www.vcbf.ca>

For photos of cherry trees now blooming in/around the Vancouver area: <http://vcfblog.wordpress.com>

## VANCOUVER CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

*Haiku Invitational 2013 -- Now open for submissions!*

*"How many, many things they call to mind, these cherry blossoms" - Basho*

Submit your haiku entries to [www.vcbf.ca](http://www.vcbf.ca) until June 3. Note: Only two poems per person will be accepted.

~~~ MAIKU ~~~ 2013 March 16/17

winds whip away clouds

preparing for sun's entrance

and in marches spring

The Lost Luggage

An Irishman arrived at J.F.K. Airport and wandered around the terminal with tears streaming down his cheeks.

An airline employee asked him if he was already homesick.

"No," replied the Irishman. "I've lost all me luggage!"

"How'd that happen?"

"The cork fell out!" said the Irishman..

QUOTATIONS THOUGHTS PUNS

Human beings, who are almost unique in having the ability to learn from the experience of others, are also remarkable for their apparent disinclination to do so.

-- Douglas Adams, English writer (1952 – 2001)

In the case of good books, the point is not to see how many of them you can get through, but rather how many can get through to you.

-- Mortimer J Adler, American philosopher and author (1902 – 2001)

Make it better but don't change anything. -- Jerry M Wright, American author (title of his article Nov 2009)
An answer is invariably the parent of a great family of new questions.

The key to changing your performance ability is by tuning out criticism and staying musically octave.

When the Dalmatian ran away, he was spotted two blocks from home.

Can a physicist read the periodic table? Isotope so.

notice sent to me Mar 14

Today, a new leader has been chosen to take control of one of the most important institutions in the world. This man will lead this historical organization through its ongoing pursuit and support of the betterment of all humanity. He will look down over the people and make huge contributions to the promotion of understanding, reverence and human cooperation. Yes, there is a new leader. He is Commander Chris Hadfield, and today he takes over command of the International Space Station.

What? You were expecting a Pope?

Yours thoughtfully, Carolanne Reynolds, Editor, West Van Matters ph 926 8649 f 484 5992 www.westvan.org