

Oaklands Rise News

Living Streets Woonerf & the Kings Road Greenway



An Oaklands Neighbourhood Project

2018 February 8

City Council approves 2695 Capital Heights: no sidewalk-yet!

The Feb. 8 Public Hearing on the project was news to us—and it was focused on the sidewalk issue! Luckily, neighbour Janice J alerted John O and Rob T who attended to speak for our cause. Council responded well—*Phase 1 is on!*

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PLANNING GROUP

A Steering Committee of 6-8 volunteers is taking shape

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RESEARCH

Analysis is underway: lessons learned; City guidelines; and more

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COMMUNICATIONS

Want to stay informed? Help us balance *too much* vs *too little* info



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Click on "Tweets" & scroll down for links
teaser links about
shared streets and
woonerven abroad.



On your block?

Oaklands Rise has two Block Watch Captains so far. Go Christine & Rob!



Butterfly Project & beyond!

Birds, butterflies, bees & more inhabit our urban space for their & our benefit. Plant pollinators!

Where we're at ...

A lot has happened since October 12

Neighbours attending the November 26 street-side gathering signed up for *Phase 1 planning* & other phased activities. Join in as you can!

Activity in December included Councillor Alto's update to the OCA Board on the requirement for the developer to pay \$36,000 (surety for the sidewalk in case that the neighbourhood does not develop a plan acceptable to the City).

This scoops funds offered to the project into City coffers, but when our plan finds City approval, we hope for \$\$\$ back to help fund action!

Thanks, Cam, you've been steadfast throughout.

Neighbour planners met on January 20, with a core group meeting again on January 25 to form a Steering Committee. Guiding Principles for the work ahead are shared with Council. Robin D and John O have agreed to develop some visuals—perhaps sketches or photographs—to illustrate options for woonerf plants, traffic calming, etc.

Rob T will log in-kind activity. Every hour you volunteer is a potential \$20 in matching funds for some grant programs! Anyone a web expert?

Gary Pemberton, the City Engagement Office for Oaklands, will meet the Steering Committee to learn more about the thinking behind our determination to forestall sidewalks where their are none currently in Oaklands Rise and along the Kings Road frontage. Gary's role is to help us navigate among City departments and find the way forward. Questions to raise? Let us know!



“Music, nibbles, smiles”

November 26, 2017, was Grey Cup Sunday but that didn't stop about 30 folks from stopping by over a few hours to celebrate the first indication of support from Victoria City Council. Thanks to Madeline, Connie, John S, Paul, Pat, Ed, Rob and John O for coordinating and contributing, and to Merrie's musical family! Why not share your interests via oaklandsrise@gmail.com ?

THE CITY LIKES THE “IAP2” PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SPECTRUM

The IAP2 spectrum identifies goals for public participation and “the promise to the public” under the following headings:

Inform Consult Involve Collaborate Empower

For example, the Community Association Land Use Committees (CALUC) are involved in developments at *Level 2: consult*.

Our aspiration is to engage the City at Level 4: Collaborate. That is:

“To partner with the public in each aspect of the decision including the development of alternatives and the identification of the preferred solution.” Perseverance, patience, participation—let's do it!

