

Topics Not Included in the Vision Directions

The Vision Directions cover the topics that were identified at the community workshops and public meetings as important for the community.

For some topics that were not addressed at the workshops, there are city-wide policies already in place that will continue to apply in Arbutus Ridge/Kerrisdale/Shaugnessy. Examples are policies on non-market housing for lower income households, special needs residential facilities, and heritage preservation. These are described in 'sidebars' within this document. Where rezoning is required, community consultation will take place on a project specific basis.

For any other topics not included in the Vision Directions, the City will still need to consult before major changes are made in the community.

Vision Directions

Introduction

This section presents the Vision Directions grouped into eight themes, with directions for 27 specific topics. Different types of information are provided:

Background Information

Introductory material for each theme and topic provides information on the existing situation and on existing City policies and practices which are not changed by the Vision.

Vision Directions

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

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

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

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

People's Ideas

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

Note: Percentages shown in this document have been rounded-up when the detailed number is .5 or greater (e.g., 54.5% is rounded-up to 55%). However, this rounding-up has not changed the classification of a Direction (e.g., from 'Not Approved' to 'Approved').

Also note that the 'Percent Agree' figures refer to the share of the respondents who 'agreed' divided by the total number who provided an 'agree', 'disagree', or 'neutral' response on the Direction. 'Neutral' indicates the respondent did not have an opinion based on the information provided. Most Vision Directions had at least 10% of the total respondents checking the 'neutral' box.