

Transcript II
SCG Workshop II
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6 to 9 PM
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The following notes form Transcript II, which identifies 3 key committee components or aspects; these were further discussed, clarified and prioritized by workshop participants: (“★” ranking). Further discussion and refinement of these key committee aspects is possible on October 20, Tuesday, at the next SCG meeting. A copy of Transcript I from Workshop I, held July 21, 2009, may be obtained at <http://vancouver.ca/commsvcs/planning/cpp/mountpleasant/social/scgmeetings/index.htm>

1. How will the SCG Function (guiding principles) ★★★★★

Making the neighbourhood a better place to live through connection, information and action...

Actions

- Quick response to issues
- Address concerns
- Coordinate grass root projects
- Provide access to information, influence, volunteers (central)
- Advocate (sometimes)
- Take long term view, work on concrete projects
- Support Mount Pleasant to create, maintain healthy structures and programs

Concepts (mandate and mission)

- Pride in Mount Pleasant
- Understand community from inside
- Serve, strengthen project various community values
- Make neighbourhood a better place to live

Connections

- Bring people together
- Connected hub/umbrella
- Connect across individuals/groups within and outside community
- Generate dialogue

2. What kind of SCG would best support our work? ★★★

(Logistics: \$ (spend on...?, meeting regularly?, Meetings...look like?, and do at 1st meeting?)

Who we are “faces”

- Made up of people who live and work in M.P.

- Diverse and fluid membership
- Mix of services providers and residents

Process

- Decision-making?
- Seek people for projects (recruit)
- Sharing accomplishments
- Productive

Tone

- Place to connect
- Choice about level of involvement
- Informal
- Drop in to find out what the group's about
- Let people come and be anonymous

Structure

- Action or splinter groups?
- Family-friendly meetings
- Role of current committee?
- Maintaining self through traditions
- Resident Mtgs - balance of power there
- Steering committee
- Practical housekeeping (document, mtgs)
- Communications
- Alternative hosting
- Terms to share hosting, "steering committee?"
- Continue some connection with the City

What we think about membership

- Inclusive
- Welcoming
- Committed
- Open to new members
- Actively support diversity
- Diverse views
- Heard, respected and shared safety

3. What connections do we need to strengthen in the next 12 months? 🌟

- 10th Ave church
- Art gallery
- Arts group (interactive theatre)
- BIA
- Businesses
- BYRC

- Community of Hope (Church)
- Community resource groups
- Cycle back
- Developers
- Funders
- Institutions
- Legal aid clinics
- Lookout
- M.P CARES
- M.P. N House
- Mighty Riders
- N. House staff
- Native Ed'n College
- Non-profit housing providers
- People who have used resources (e.g. handouts)
- Professionals
- Recovery club
- Schools
- Social housing organizations
- Students

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