

Norquay Amenities

Norquay Village Neighbourhood Centre Program

Workshop #5 - May 14, 2009

GROUP 4 - 8 community members, facilitated by Grant Miller

public amenities	priority ¹	current need assessment (explanation)	potential funding sources	relative cost ²	opportunities (sites, types of projects)
Seniors programs+ services	3 dots	dedicated social and recreational facilities - none East of Cambie St. <i>-multiple levels of activity must be scheduled</i>	public and private	\$\$ - \$\$\$\$	Killarney Community Centre - addition, 2400 redevelopment-new space
Arts + Cultural spaces	3 dots	there is a shortage of production and performance space for local artists <i>-unique character builder</i>	public and/or private	\$ - \$\$\$\$	2400 Redevelopment, future artist live/work developments, private facilities (eg. pub venue for performances, private gallery/café) <i>-small facility possible</i>
Daycare Spaces		Renfrew-Collingwood has a significant deficit of daycare and after-school care spaces and facilities	public and/or private	\$ - \$\$\$\$	
Park Improvements	4 dots	the current array of parks could use increased facilities to allow for a greater variety of recreational activities <i>-all in Norquay: terracing from Kingsway, garden plots, water feature</i>	public	\$\$ - \$\$\$\$	
Community Centre improvements	4 dots	Community centres facilities could be expanded to allow for a greater variety of activities <i>-satellite programs: children & seniors</i>	public	\$\$\$\$	<i>-double Norquay field house for satellite programming</i> <i>-partnership with schools for shared programming</i>
Ravine Way (linear park/greenway)		creation of a linear park / greenway along easement which follows path of Still Creek	public	\$\$\$\$	
New Park Land (new parks, or expanding existing parks)	1 dot	purchase of land for new parks, or for expansion of existing parks to create more park land for area residents	public	\$\$\$\$	
Non-market Housing	2 dots	provision of non-market units for low-income and other special needs groups	public and/or private	\$\$\$\$	<i>-seniors housing between Slocan Park and Norquay School</i> <i>-co-locating public services</i>
Vanness St Improvements		Turn Vanness into a 'shared street' which provides additional space and facilities for pedestrians and cyclists in addition to automobiles, and 'traffic calms' the street	public	\$\$\$	<i>-cover the SkyTrain line with public space</i>
<i>Connectivity Across Skytrain</i>	3 dots	<i>-Improve linkage across skytrain</i>			
Private Amenities	priority	current need assessment (explanation)	potential funding sources	relative cost	opportunities (sites, types of projects)
Grocery Store	2 dots	Norquay lacks a medium-large neighbourhood serving grocery store as an anchor for the retail area <i>-medium to small; we have a separate butcher</i> <i>-full service</i>	private	\$\$\$	

New Shops and Services	2 dots	Norquay lacks many key shops and services, such as coffee shops, a bank, green grocer, drycleaners -drugstore: focus on medicine, not larger format -"village" services - could be a destination as a pleasant village with unique character - post office -shops and services at 29th Ave station bus loop	private	\$ - \$\$\$	
Affordable rental housing	1 dot		private or public/private partnership	\$\$\$	-senior's housing between Slocan Park and Norquay Park
Other Ideas	priority	current need assessment (explanation)	potential funding	relative cost	opportunities (sites, types of projects)
unique commercial character draws visitors, still a village -seasonal events					
housing diversity and homes above shops to help keep retail "in check"					-south side Kingsway (Rhodes to Dundee): homes above shops to improve existing condition
ideas for 2400 commercial village with courtyard	7 dots				

Notes:

- 1) Each member of the group was asked to place four dots to indicate which amenities were a priority to him or her. All four dots could be placed on the same amenity, or on as many as four different amenities.
- 2) The relative cost column is an indication of how expensive the amenity is, with \$ being relatively low in cost and \$\$\$\$ relatively high.