FALSE CREEK SOUTH launch event

event summary june 22, 2017



LAUNCH EVENT

We launched the False Creek South planning process on June 22, 2017, complete with a barbeque lunch and activities for kids. Event guests met the project team, asked questions, and shared what they love about the False Creek South neighbourhood. Guests also found out how to get involved to help shape the future of the area.









June 22, 2017 3 pm - 7 pm

Northwest corner of Charleson Park, along the seawall Vancouver, BC

525 event participants

False Creek South

KEY THEMES

Event participants were asked to identify assets and opportunities in FCS. The key ideas were collected and organized into major themes:

HOUSING

- Maintain/increase housing mix and community diversity through tenure
- Lease renewal concerns
- Existing neighbourhood scale and character is an asset
- Increase opportunities for new, diverse residents
- Consider development opportunities within FCS
- Community capacity issues

TRANSPORTATION

- Support **streetcar** concept
- Improve access and connectivity to surrounding areas
- Enhance active transportation and mobility
- Desire for traffic and parking improvements in FCS

NEIGHBOURHOOD CHARACTER

- Opportunity to improve existing public realm and open space, while maintaining prized areas
- Existing neighbourhood scale and housing typologies are considered an asset
- Maintain and improve community mix and demographic diversity
- Improve existing amenities and services in FCS
- Opportunity to update and develop neighbourhood character, while preserving neighbourhood values
- Improve connection and mobility

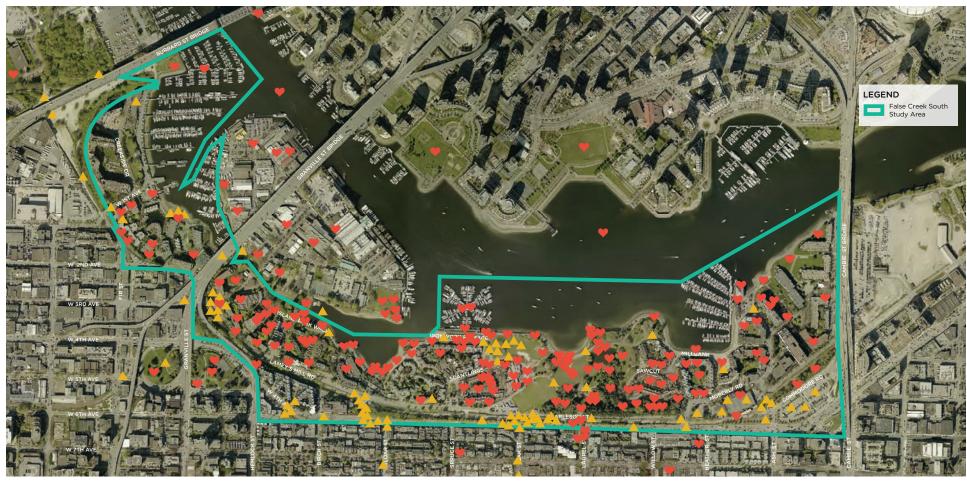


MAPPING

Event participants were asked to mark their favourite places in False Creek South with a heart and the places they would like to see improved with a triangle and explain why.









ASSETS & OPPORTUNITIES

Event participants were asked to share their thoughts related to housing, transportation, and neighbourhood character in False Creek South.

HOUSING

HOUSING MIX & COMMUNITY DIVERSITY	LEASE RENEWAL CONCERNS	NEIGHBOURHOOD SCALE & CHARACTER	OPPORTUNITIES FOR NEW RESIDENTS	DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES	COMMUNITY CAPACITY ISSUES
 Maintain varied tenures/ diverse housing to all incomes (market housing/ co-op/etc.) Maintain and increase affordable housing options Need more housing/ housing typologies More co-ops 	Affordable options to remain/resident protection/retention (e.g. unable to afford a home if leases are not renewed; need assurances on lease renewal) Affordability concerns Provide options (financially) to pay Extend leases asap	Maintain current character/composition of neighbourhood (maintain scale) No more developments in FCS Retain old buildings that are in good condition if they provide adequate amount of units	More young people Planning for families More children Increase opportunities for new residents ("should not remain the exclusive enclave of those who got here first")	Community edge opportunities Increase density More infill housing Buy out leases to create more supply	Challenging for families to get into co-ops Challenging to get into False Creek Elementary



ASSETS & OPPORTUNITIES

TRANSPORTATION

STREETCAR	ACCESSIBILITY & CONNECTIVITY	MOBILITY & ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION	TRAFFIC	PARKING
OPPORTUNITY Support streetcar concept (east to west connection, shuttle/cable cart trolley, "don't lose rail to developers) Train from GI to Cambie was an asset. Streetcar should go to Science World (connection to Main St Skytrain)	ASSET • Good access to transportation • Keep #50 bus • Very accessible to downtown and to airport OPPORTUNITY • Improve access to Granville Island (eg shuttle) • Improve pedestrian/ bike access to FCS from Fairview • Improve access across overpass to Granville Loop • Improve connectivity with rest of city • Improve access to VGH • Put ferry on compass card • Refine/improve functionality of seawall	OPPORTUNITY Improved transit (eg #84 wait times and access points) Pedestrian focused/improve walkability Support for bike lanes (eg "bike lane on Charleson") Support separation between pedestrians and cyclists on seawall Not all seniors can cycle	OPPORTUNITY • Open Charleson Road to cars • Improve traffic at Moberley • Improve traffic at Spyglass PI • Left turn signal for us to get home to FCS at Alder Crossing	OPPORTUNITY • Improve parking including do not remove parking in neighbourhood (eg visitors, seniors) and parking lot access



ASSETS & OPPORTUNITIES

NEIGHBOURHOOD CHARACTER

PUBLIC REALM & OPEN SPACE	CONNECTION & MOBILITY	COMMUNITY DIVERSITY	AMENITIES & SERVICES	NEIGHBOURHOOD CHARACTER	SCALE & HOUSING TYPOLOGIES
• Green space/nature (eg "small park nodes"; "not a concrete jungle", "community garden at 1st & Fir") • Walkability and connectivity, ("village vision") • Beauty/views • Eyes on the street OPPORTUNITY • Improvements to Leg-in- Boot square (coffee shops, trees, etc.) • Enhance people places. • More benches along seawall	OPPORTUNITY Improve walkability Transit oriented development improve walkability Transit oriented development	ASSET • Community/demographic diversity • Income mix/diversity • Family friendly (opportunities for families to live in the area should be considered as a serious issues) • Affordability	ASSET • Existing amenities & services • School • Dog friendly OPPORTUNITY • Need more amenities (eg community centre, childcare facilities, etc) • More commercial/retail in FCS (eg groceries)	ASSET • Maintain current neighbourhood character (eg careful modernization, and not become like False Creek North or Olympic Village) • Maintain character of Granville Island OPPORTUNITY • Update/develop neighbourhood character • Increase density at a similar scale • Update character like Olympic Village • Undeveloped areas	ASSET • Housing typologies • Existing scale (low-rise/low density/mid-rise) • Housing mix MISCELLANEOUS ASSET • Neighbourhood location (removed from city but close as well) • Neighbourhood for locals, neighbours, and tourists • Sustainable model OPPORTUNITY • Artists spaces CONCERN • Public toilet location



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

What are your comments on how you would like to be engaged in the neighbourhood planning process?

METHODOLOGY

- Public consultations/information sessions ("events like the launch event")
- Online information/publicly available information
- By topic area (eg ideas for upgrading and beautifying; the lease end situation; location "around 2nd and first old tracks")
- Mail
- Surveys
- Focus groups/smaller scaled detailed meetings
- Newsletters

THROUGH THIRD PARTIES

- Through RePlan
- Through my strata group
- Through False Creek South Neighbourhood Association

INTERACTIONS

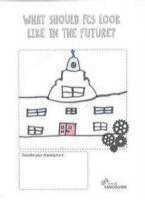
- Frequently (eg quarterly updates)
- Meaningfully (eg "engaging with the city on par with RePlan", "RePlan doesn't represent/engage with everyone")



KIDS ACTIVITY SHEET









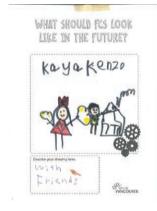










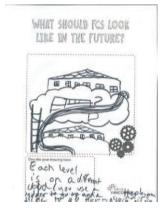




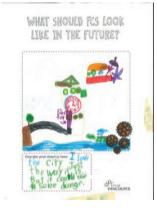




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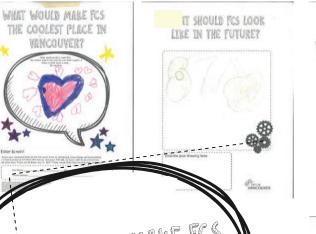


WHAT SHOULD FCS LOOK

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