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Subject: Upcoming information bulletin: Chinatown Reimagined Community forum (October 4, 2021)

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing to inform you that the City will be issuing the below information bulletin on October 4, 2021 regarding the Chinatown Reimagined Community Forum. The City's Chinatown Transformation Team and Chinatown Legacy Stewardship Group are partnering with UBC to hold the virtual forum to raise awareness and strengthen support for work being done to revitalize Chinatown and gather feedback on current directions.

Registration will be open for anyone interested in attending. The forum aims to bring together people who are interested in Chinatown's future to reflect on the community's resilience in the face of challenges while recognizing its long and important history.

Please keep this information bulletin embargoed until it goes live from the City media email account at 10:00 AM on October 4.

Best,
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The City of Vancouver acknowledges that it is situated on the unceded traditional territories of the x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), and səliłwətał (Tseil-Waututh) Nations.

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Chinatown Reimagined forum highlights revitalization efforts and future directions

The future of Vancouver's Chinatown will be the focal point for Chinatown Reimagined, a three-day community forum that will highlight work underway to revitalize the neighbourhood and gather feedback on current directions.

The City of Vancouver's Chinatown Transformation Team and the Chinatown Legacy Stewardship Group are partnering with the University of British Columbia's Initiative for Student Teaching and Research in Chinese Canadian Studies to present Chinatown Reimagined through a launch event and interactive sessions.

The forum launch (October 16) and interactive sessions (October 22-23) will be held online.
Register at: chinatownreimagined.ca

The forum is open to all and registration is required for all virtual forum sessions. You may register for as many or few sessions as preferred.

The launch event will feature an introduction to the Chinatown Transformation process, as well as project highlights. The interactive sessions will explore innovative, community-led approaches on key topics including: the significance of both tangible and intangible cultural heritage; creating a thriving cultural heritage economy; sustainable community capacity-building; and long-term stewardship for the future of Chinatown.

Chinatown Reimagined marks the culmination of a three-year long process of engaging with the Chinatown community and stakeholders as the City works to develop a Chinatown Cultural Heritage Asset Management Plan (CHAMP), which will outline priority projects, actions, partners, and resources to foster a vibrant Chinatown.

The forum's website at chinatownreimagined.ca showcases the work of the Chinatown Transformation Team and Chinatown Legacy Stewardship Group, providing background and updates on projects, research, vision and planning. The content is available in English and Traditional Chinese.

The Chinatown Transformation Team is a dedicated team of City staff formed in 2018 to work with the community and key partners on sustaining Chinatown's legacy and developing long-term plans for the community. The Chinatown Legacy Stewardship Group was established in 2019, and is made up of 35 community representatives who bring forward a broad range of perspectives and interests to guide community actions and provide advice to staff on the development of a Cultural Heritage Asset Management Plan for Chinatown.

Formed in 2007, the UBC Initiative for Student Teaching and Research in Chinese Canadian Studies (INSTRCC) engages and empowers students to conduct community-based research relevant to Chinese Canadian communities. INSTRCC co-develops collaborative educational programming alongside community and institutional partners, while facilitating meaningful youth engagement in Chinatown and other public places.

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