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Greetings Mayor and Council,

Please find attached a memorandum from Gil Kelley, which provides Mayor and Council with an overview of current and up-coming community engagement activities on the Vancouver Plan. This is a follow-up to Resolution E of the October 6th 2020 Council report "Vancouver Plan Phase 1 Report: Public Engagement Summary, Provisional Goals and Update on COVID-19 Community Recovery Actions" which directed staff to *"consider ways or forums to enable enhanced involvement and leadership of Council in the Vancouver Plan and city-wide and neighbourhood engagement..."*.

Please make note of the up-coming on-line event "Planning for the Post-pandemic City" on December 10th, 3-5 PM, as part of the **"The Future We Want; the Change We Need"** on-Line Dialogue Series in collaboration with Vancouver Plan and Simon Fraser University.

Please reach out to Gil Kelley, GM PDS if you have any questions.

Best,
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The City of Vancouver acknowledges that it is situated on the unceded traditional territories of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh peoples.

MEMORANDUM

November 27, 2020

TO: Mayor and Council

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SUBJECT: Phase 2 Community Engagement on the Vancouver Plan

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide Mayor and Council with a brief update on current and up-coming public engagement activities for Vancouver Plan. Following the October 6th Council report "Vancouver Plan Phase 1 Report: Public Engagement Summary, Provisional Goals and Update on COVID-19 Community Recovery Actions" RTS 13988, staff have been organizing the activities outlined in the report and Council presentation, and as directed by Council in Resolution E *"THAT Council direct staff to consider ways or forums to enable enhanced involvement and leadership of Council in the Vancouver Plan and city-wide and neighbourhood engagement, on a limited number of issues especially related to "complete communities"...*

This memorandum summarizes the initial engagements currently underway and up-coming. We expect to provide you with a comprehensive update on additional engagement opportunities in January 2021.

“The Future We Want; the Change We Need” – On-Line Dialogue Series (December 10 2020 – March 11 2021)

In December 2020 and early next year, we will be hosting an on-line dialogue series in partnership with Simon Fraser University focusing on the big challenges we face as a city and surfacing innovative ideas to tackle them. This series will invite knowledge keepers, thought leaders, change-makers, and community members to discuss, deliberate and share their thoughts on the future of the City of Vancouver and on creating a long-term, strategic city-wide plan looking to 2050 and beyond.

We will begin with a session titled “Planning for the Post-pandemic City” on December 10th, 3-5 PM, which will feature a diverse panel and will be co-moderated by Andy Yan and Meg Holden, from SFU City Program and SFU Urban Studies, respectively. Mayor and Council are invited to attend and participate. SFU staff working with our team would like to invite members of Council to play a more integrated “rapporteur” role to listen and share reflections and take-aways as part of report backs following the panels and subsequent break-out discussions.

Please confirm your attendance with Dear Bhokanandh (dear.bhokanandh@vancouver.ca) and we will register you and coordinate your attendance with our co-hosts.

The Dialogue Series will continue into 2021, with topics identified as follows:

Complete Neighbourhoods - January 14, 2021

Housing + Affordability - January 28, 2021

Economy/Future of Work - February 11, 2021

Green Infrastructure + Mobility - February 25, 2021

Future Scenarios - March 11, 2021

We expect to address topics with cross-cutting themes of reconciliation, equity, resilience & climate.

The on-line speaker series will be complemented by companion workshops and forums on Complete Neighbourhoods, Housing and Affordability, Economy, and Green-Blue Systems, led by COV staff. We are finalizing our schedule of stakeholder forums, interactive charrettes, and walk-shops (depending on and compliant with public health protocols) many with a focus on Complete Communities, and would welcome Council’s involvement in these.

Equity-Focused Engagement

Accompanying the on-line engagement series, we have launched a Community Navigator Program targeting groups facing barriers to participation (IBPOC, Youth, PWD, non-English speakers, low-income, gender diverse), in partnership with nine Neighbourhood houses. Each neighbourhood house is hiring community navigators with lived & cultural experience to tailor Vancouver Plan engagement activities and questions to their respective communities.

Of note, we are continuing to engage collaboratively with Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh First Nations, and urban indigenous communities (through MVAEC - Metro Vancouver Aboriginal Executive Council) on Planning Vancouver Together topics of interest, as determined by the Nations and urban indigenous organizations.

Opportunities for Input on the Provisional Goals

In our Phase 1 report, staff noted that the Provisional Goals would frame the next step of public dialogue and ultimately, help guide policy directions to develop a city-wide plan for Vancouver. To that end,

- An **on-line survey** (Talk Vancouver and Shape Your City) has been available to the public since late October, inviting an opportunity for the on-line public to provide their thoughts on the Provisional Goals. The survey closes December 10th and is available here: [10 Provisional Goals Survey](#);
- **Conversation Kits** are now available at the following VPL branches: Kitsilano, Mount Pleasant, Renfrew, Terry Salmon and Central, and is available for download here: <https://vancouverplan.ca/the-future-we-want-conversation-kit/> . We are hoping the kits will facilitate Vancouverites having a conversation with their families or small personal circles about the future.

The Dialogues, workshops and engagement would contribute towards developing a Vision, Strategic directions and potential quick start actions which staff anticipate bringing forward to Council in July 2021. We will be happy to answer your questions on any of the above referenced engagement. Moreover, I look forward to hearing your thoughts or suggestions for topic refinement, speakers or panelists or workshops for the 2021 Dialogue series. Please provide your suggestions either directly to me, or Susan Haid, Deputy Director, Long-Range and Strategic Planning by December 11, if possible.

We will be talking further with you about how you would like to be involved in various events/activities. In the interim, we look forward to your participation in the December 10th kick off dialogue on Planning for the Post-Pandemic City (rsvp to Dear Bhokananh, as above).



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