Greetings Mayor and Council

Councillor Boyle asked for clarification on the make-up of the panel and the process for ensuring there is equity and diversity in the panel. It is our intention with the makeup of the Flats Arterial Community Panel to ensure fair representation among local residents, citywide residents, and participants from local businesses. Of the 42 panel members, approximately 15 will be selected from local businesses, 21 local residents from within the study area, and 6 residents from the City of Vancouver outside the study area.

The 21 local residents will be selected from three sections of the study area (see the attached map), with approximately 12-13 residents from Section 1, 4 from Section 2, and 4-5 from Section 3, based on population density within each section. The 21 residents will also be selected to ensure demographic proportionality relative to age, gender, ethnicity, and Indigenous identity corresponding to Census data for the study area. While we are not including an explicit owner/renter target category for our selection we do hope that the categories outlined above will encourage renters and owners in the study area to apply and be represented.

Beyond this, we are actively working with community groups and organizations to increase awareness and representation among low-income individuals, indigenous communities, Chinese speaking communities, youth, and other groups who may not have been historically represented in previous consultation or engagement processes. These efforts include community outreach and the availability of needs-based support for those who qualify.

Hope that helps.

Best

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2. Terms of Reference

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