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Subject: [Update: CVN letter to Council \(20-Apr\): Vancouver Plan Consultation Process – Request for Extension and Rescheduling](#)

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Dear Mayor and Council,

Late last week, Mayor and Council were sent a letter from Coalition Vancouver Neighborhoods (CVN) representatives, which included comments and feedback on the Vancouver Plan consultation process. In particular, CVN was requesting an extension of the survey and commenting period of April 24th, 2022. On Friday, April 22nd, 2022, Staff provided a thoughtful response to the CVN letter, as well as an extension to the Vancouver Plan commenting period to April 27th, 2022. Staff were not able to extend the deadline beyond April 27th, in order to ensure staff have adequate time to thoughtfully consider public feedback, while maintaining the reporting timelines for the target June 22, 2022 Council meeting for consideration of the Vancouver Plan.

CVN subsequently sent a follow up email on Monday, April 25th with additional comments, copying Mayor and Council. Staff provided a timely response to CVN, which is enclosed for your information. Staff appreciate the concerns raised by CVN. Staff have conducted additional consultation and hosted two meetings with representatives from CVN last week as well. A summary of the comments and staff's analysis of the public's feedback will be included in the aforementioned June 22nd staff report.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Theresa O'Donnell ([Theresa.O'Donnell@vancouver.ca](mailto:Theresa.O'Donnell@vancouver.ca)).

Best,  
Paul

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Subject: RE: [EXT] CVN letter to Council (20-Apr): Vancouver Plan Consultation Process – Request for Extension and Rescheduling

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To the Coalition of Vancouver Neighbourhoods,

Thank you for e-mail.

1. Please note I need to correct a mistake I made in my reply. I re-checked with the engagement team yesterday on the number of residents we had participating in the April 20 and 21 meetings. The correct number is 21 resident participants over the two meetings, not 36 as I had noted below (and which was the total number of participants, including City staff). My sincere apology for this error.
2. The survey summarized the directions of the Plan including, Foundational Principles and Big Ideas, City-wide Land-Use, Neighbourhood Types, Urban Design Policies, and the 11 supporting policy areas. The survey did not include the specifics of building forms, as was noted on the survey. The draft plan in full, including more detail on building forms, was posted at the same time as the survey – and links to all relevant sections were provided throughout the survey. I further note, that each Neighbourhood Type is anticipated contain a variety of building types, and will reflect variation based on a variety of contextual factors – which also we noted in our presentation.
3. Please let me know what information you are referring to that did not match up, with a cc to Andrew Pask, Engagement Lead: [andrew.pask@vancouver.ca](mailto:andrew.pask@vancouver.ca)
4. The maps of the draft plan show some areas (for example, Dunbar and 41st Avenue ) as both a potential Rapid Transit AND Neighbourhood Centre Neighbourhood Type areas. This was intentional to reflect the land use strategy is long-term (30+ years) and such areas could evolve into either neighbourhood type depending on the timing of transit investment, detailed planning and further public engagement. However we take these comments as good feedback and will look to improve our graphic representation and descriptions to make this clearer.
5. Staff are recommending further engagement with neighbourhoods as part of the implementation scope. This will be outlined in the report to Council June 22.

Sincerely,

Karis

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City of Vancouver

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-----Original Message-----

From: Coalition of Vancouver Neighbourhoods (CVN) <info@coalitionvan.org>

Sent: Monday, April 25, 2022 3:50 PM

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Hello Karis, Mayor and Councillor, and Staff

The Coalition of Vancouver Neighbourhoods (CVN), appreciates the gesture to extend the survey by three days.

However, we remain concerned that the overall 2 - 3 weeks is not adequate time or process for this important complex plan that has been in the works for three years.

Reports from some who did the Vancouver Plan survey said that the information in the survey was vague and general, without any of the specific building forms proposed in the draft plan.

Very few people were available for last week's meetings (targeting neighbourhood groups) due to conflicts with other city-related processes and inadequate notice.

Also, those who attended a meeting said the information was vague, as in the survey, and some information did not match up between the meetings, the survey, and/or the draft Vancouver Plan.

Some of the varied information was regarding the still evolving TransLink and Metro priorities regarding transit and related corridors.

Some people have suggested a boycott of the city's survey due to it being misleading and too general and based on "motherhood" issues, lacking relevant detail. They get the impression that the survey is designed to get a certain predetermined response.

Generally, there are too many plans and proposals being rushed through all at once.

The timelines and materials are impossible for even those who follow these issues closely, far less those who are unfamiliar. In this context, it is likely that data from responses you do receive would be unreliable.

Further, we have just been made aware of another consultation this Wednesday on the Regulation Redesign that covers all bylaws and schedules.

Even if some people are able to shuffle their schedules to participate in such a meeting in the middle of a work day, it is a very technical exercise covering hundreds of pages. The documents provided even fail to show redlines to indicate what the changes in wording are being proposed.

On top of this, we also note that the Housing Needs Report is going to Council this Wednesday, without any public input into the draft.

The staff deadlines are not reasonable and many people are just not able to respond.

There has been no neighbourhood-based planning. Existing community Plans and Visions are being overridden by this Vancouver Plan.

We request that all of these processes be extended, with reasonable timelines and opportunities provided for meaningful input, on a neighbourhood basis.

None of this has happened so far.

Sincerely,

Steering Committee

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From: Hiebert, Karis <karis.hiebert@vancouver.ca>

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Subject: FW: RESENDING: CVN letter to Council (20-Apr): Vancouver Plan Consultation Process – Request for Extension and Rescheduling

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My apology Councillors, to those that were not included in the reply all.

Sincerely,

Karis

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From: Hiebert, Karis

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To all,

It was great to meet with 36 of your members over the past two days (April 20, and April 21). We appreciate the points you make below. It is difficult in this busy season to find dates devoid of conflicts, although we have tried.

In response to the requests below, I share the following points noting that we will extend the timeline for Draft Vancouver Plan feedback survey completions to April 27 midnight because of your request.

1. We shared the survey April 5 and noted the deadline for April 24.

We will extend the deadline for survey responses to April 27, midnight.

The reason we cannot extend it past this date is that we want Mayor and Council to consider the plan by June 22 - before summer break and the fall is election season. If we are to meaningfully weigh the input and report it to Mayor and Council (including coding of open-ended responses), we need to close the survey by April 27.

2. We have a powerpoint with audio loaded to the vancouverplan.ca

website providing a similar overview of the Draft Plan as was provided in the April 20 and 21 meetings. Please share and if there are questions for staff, send to me or planningvancouver.ca

3. A summary of the Land Use Strategy, including the map, is

available here: [https://urldefense.com/v3/\\_\\_https://vancouverplan.ca/about/\\_\\_;!!G4oVokrRG-Im!-](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://vancouverplan.ca/about/__;!!G4oVokrRG-Im!-Ske6Lqy-yC7p7IP-mleYMKurgub0q_79N3ly4FSRWibVZf7eUpune7UFuAM9BL_zlVt5yA$)

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[https://urldefense.com/v3/\\_\\_https://vancouverplan.ca/wp-content/uploads/Draft-Vancouver-Plan-](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://vancouverplan.ca/wp-content/uploads/Draft-Vancouver-Plan-2022-04-05.pdf__;!!G4oVokrRG-Im!-Ske6Lqy-yC7p7IP-mleYMKurgub0q_79N3ly4FSRWibVZf7eUpune7UFuAM9BL_WSoX7JA$)

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The digital versions are high quality images that can be zoomed in to achieve whatever level of detail you desire.

4. The draft Vancouver Plan has been advertised extensively for the

three + weeks across digital and print, including in libraries and community centres. Through our advertising online, at transit shelters, on buses and in bars and restaurants we estimate that 60% of all residents saw our advertisements at least once and that across all our channels our promotion of the draft Plan was viewed 30 million times.

5. As with all of our previous phases of public engagement, which you can view here, we will publish the survey responses when they are complete.

They will be available at vancouverplan.ca and we will forward on our listserv .

Thank you very much for your commitment and engagement in the future of the city.

Warmly,  
Karis  
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Dear Mayor Stewart, Councillors, and Staff

Please find attached our letter from April 20, 2022 requesting an extension to the Vancouver Plan process, including the survey.

To date we have not heard back from staff. Only Councillor Wiebe kindly replied that he would look into it, but we have not heard back. Otherwise, there has been no response received, not even an acknowledgement of receipt.

Further, a general message has been received by some groups and individuals about the Vancouver Plan survey deadline still being indicated as this Sunday, April 24.

Many Vancouver citizens have not had time to fill out the survey, given the short timeline and volume of material to consider. The survey was released on April 9.

In addition, many groups were not available for the two neighbourhood group meetings (held virtually) to cover the entire city this week, both of which were in conflict with the other important City and regional public hearings.

Please consider extension of the Vancouver Plan survey/process to address this last phase of planning, as it has only been available for a couple of weeks. This is inadequate time for meaningful and adequate responses on such an important citywide plan.

Sincerely,  
Steering Committee  
Coalition of Vancouver Neighbourhoods (CVN)