

Chinatown Legacy Stewardship Group (LSG) 13th Meeting Meeting Summary Notes

Date: Tuesday, October 6, 2020
Time: 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Location: Zoom Video Conferencing

Present: Albert Wei, Anita Bardal Chan, Aynsley Wong, Bill Kwok, Bob Sung, Carmut Me, Charlotte Li, Danny Quon, Fred Mah, Henry Tom, Inge Roecker, Jordan Eng, Kevin Huang, Kimberley Wong, Laiwan Chung, Leslie Shieh, Li Jugen, Li Yu Rong, Louis Lapprend, Mike Tan, Ross Lam, Sonny Wong, Vincent Kwan, Wang Zhao, William Ma

Guests:, Henry Yu (UBC), Nick Yung (Co-sponsor of Low-Income Working Group), Parry Chan (Chin Wing Chun Society), Sarah Ling (REC Working Group), Tiffany Zhang (Interpreter), Sidi Chen (REC Working Group), Sinder Kaur (SUCCESS), Wendy Au (CTT consultant), Jessica Chen (CHAMP consultant)

CoV Staff: Alan Chen, Baldwin Wong, Helen Lee, Helen Ma, Joseph Li, Jose Fernandez Garcia (DTES Economic Development Planner)

Regrets: Alain Chow, Cecil Fung, Fred Kwok, Glynnis Chan, Jun Ing, June Chow, Susan Ma, Mark Lee, Minna Van, Stephanie Leo, Terry hunter, To Trinh Diep, Y Vy Truong

Agenda

Time	Item	Presenter/Facilitator
4:00 p.m.	Welcome & Land Acknowledgement	Kimberley Wong and Mike Tan LSG Co-chair
4:05 p.m.	LSG Co-chair Updates	Kimberley Wong and Mike Tan LSG Co-chair
4:15 p.m.	Community Updates	LSG Members
4:25 p.m.	Indigenous Engagement – REC Working Group	Sarah Ling REC Working Group Member
4:45 p.m.	NEFC Working Group Report Out	Kimberley Wong and Mike Tan LSG Co-chair
5:00 p.m.	Economic Recovery of Chinatown <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Special Enterprise Program Economic Recovery Task Force Report Out Discussion 	Tom Wanklin, José Fernández García DTES Planners Mike Tan LSG Co-chair
5:45 p.m.	Chinatown Transformation Team Update	Baldwin Wong and Helen Ma CTT Staff
5:50 p.m.	Meeting Adjourned	Kimberley Wong and Mike Tan LSG Co-chair

Welcome, Land Acknowledgement and Co-Chair Updates

- LSG Co-Chairs are working with CTT staff to create a format to collect feedback on LSG process, will be bringing it forward to members soon, although members don't need to wait for the process to provide feedback to Co-Chairs.
- Update from Henry Yu: Jessica Chen, John Atkin and Henry are working with UBC to provide early analysis on an asset management trust for Chinatown using information from CHAMP as well as research from other international models. Can give a high level presentation to LSG next month and provide an idea of models, best practices, etc.

Presentation: Pathway to Indigenous Engagement in Chinatown

Sarah Ling – Relationship-Building, Public Education and Capacity-Building (REC) working group

- *See attached slides for reference*
- The REC working group has allocated \$6,000 to providing the LSG with opportunities to learn about Indigenous people and how they are connected with Chinatown.
- Today's presentation is meant to create a baseline of awareness and understanding.
- Survey results from December 2019 show a broad distribution of LSG members who are familiar with a range of Indigenous-related initiatives, as well as many who are unfamiliar.
- REC will seek to incorporate learning opportunities into LSG's monthly meetings. The goal for 2020 is to bring LSG to a point where the group can create a shared vision together on how to proceed on matters of Indigenous engagement in Chinatown.
- What type of support or resources would make it more likely for you to engage?
 - Omni TV is doing a short multi-lingual video on the history of Orange Shirt Day. Wendy Au can forward this to LSG.
 - Would be great to organize a trip for the LSG to visit the Museum of Anthropology
 - Many Chinese seniors are interested in participating in these events and learning about the history of Indigenous people
 - CCG's seniors have engaged with Indigenous people through the DTES Women's Center and events such as participating in the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women March and 60s Scoop workshops, engaging in dialogue with transgender Indigenous people, etc.
 - Organizing tours to previous Residential school sites would provide an interesting learning experience for Chinese seniors to attend.
 - SFU screened a documentary about a DTES totem pole survivor, with ~50 Chinese seniors attending the event. CCG seniors would like to see further dialogue on the topic given its proximity and relevance to Chinatown.
- REC may look into involving the three Host Nations to join the Chinatown Parade
- Concurrently, how does Chinatown show up to support other events of similar significance to the Indigenous community?

NEFC Working Group Report Out

- A group of 5 LSG members attend the NEFC Working Group meetings to represent LSG: Carmut Me, Kevin Huang, Kimberley Wong, Mike Tan, Rosy (Wang Zhao)
- LSG Members can raise discussion topics/issues for the representatives to bring to the next NEFC meeting:
 - A 2018 CoV report on sea level rise notes that due to climate change, False Creek's waters will fill in to cover land from Science World to Clark Drive. The water will rise to Hastings St, past the Chinese Cultural Center. How can we protect CT from rising sea levels?
 - Helen Ma: CoV has a sustainability specialist working on a sea level rise plan, indicating what the City can do to protect areas at risk from flooding. We can ask them to do a presentation at our next meeting.
 - What discussions have happened between Hogan's Alley and NEFC, also regarding 728 main (Jimi Hendrix' shrine)?
 - The working group hasn't brought up those topics yet, but Hogan's Alley is convening with the City to talk about them.
- The working group has decided that city staff (Tom Wanklin, Helen Ma, and Amelia Huang) will facilitate the first few meetings before determining whether hiring external facilitators may be necessary for future meetings.
- So far, the NEFC Working Group has met once. The next meeting is October 14.

Chinatown Team Transformation Update

- A Chinatown Economic Recovery Taskforce was formed to seek support from Council for COVID-19 recovery. So far, the participants include:
 - Mike Tan, Fred Mah, Jordan Eng, Sonny Wong, Carmut Me, Ross Lam, Wendy Au, Henry Tom, Bob Sung, Fred Kwok, Bill Kwok, Helen Ma, Baldwin Wong, Jose Fernandez Garcia, Alan Chen
- Mike has drafted a letter to Council to be circulated to LSG for reference.
- The letter will be followed by a petition that will require more signatories
- William Ma, Jordan, Fred Kwok, and Glynnis will forward the petition to their contacts. Other LSG members are encouraged to do the same.

The letter's key points are as follows:

- CT is facing urgent needs due to COVID-19, with 700 businesses that need support to navigate the pandemic.
- Make parking in Chinatown more accessible by reducing or waiving fees on the street and waiving fees in the Chinatown Parkade
- Install temporary widened curbs at high traffic areas to accommodate social-distancing requirements; additionally, CT hasn't benefited from the City's patio program
- Continue to advocate to Provincial and Federal government for financial assistance for local businesses in Chinatown

- Improve street safety and cleanliness in Chinatown by increasing frequency of street cleaning and increasing the capacity of the Chinatown Stewards Program from 1 team of 2 people to 2 teams of 4 people.
 - Designate a Councillor to facilitate a more coordinated approach between the City's engineering, police, and provincial health departments to improving Chinatown's street condition.
 - Support the digitization of Chinatown's businesses via supporting the Special Enterprise Program proposal that will be brought to Council in early 2021.
- Chinatown parkade suggested to City Council as temporary housing relief option
 - Council issued a motion asking staff to survey City-owned sites/properties that could be used as temporary solutions to homelessness relief. A staff memo to be presented to Council includes Chinatown parkade as an option.
 - However, their considerations did not include the fact that the parkade is built on contaminated land unsuitable for habitation. In addition, it is not seismic proof.
 - Baldwin's notified Sandra Singh (Director of Arts, Culture, and Community Services whom the memo was submitted under) of the LSG's concerns, and that they would be addressed in another letter to Council on top of the Economic Recovery Taskforce's letter.
 - Sandra encourages LSG members register to voice their concerns to Council this Thursday. The meeting starts at 9:30am, and this is the only item for discussion.
 - Helen Ma sent out a registration link to the online meeting. You can speak from home or send in your comments so that they can be registered as official submissions.
 - Helen and Baldwin will also circulate related materials to LSG via email.
 - Jordan: 800 Block Quebec Street was also identified as a possible location. As a gateway to Chinatown from Main Street it is also concerning.
- The Chinese-Canadian Museum's Temporary Exhibition "A Seat at the Table" is open to visitors at the Hon Hsing Building on Pender St. You can register to visit online here: <https://aseatatthetablechinatown.squarespacescheduling.com/schedule.php>
- Regarding the 728 Main development rezoning application, Helen Ma will look for information and provide an update at the next meeting.
- Memorial Square redesign process is being restarted now that the NEFC Working Group has been formed. The staff project team would like to introduce themselves to the LSG. They will come to next month's LSG meeting to provide background information and on the timeline moving forward.
- Helen Ma gave an update to the Chinatown Historic Area Planning Committee and received positive feedback regarding the LSG pilot projects and other work completed so far. Recently, they have broadened their focus from buildings to other issues as well.
 - CHAPC asked for a follow-up presentation on the Special Enterprise Program and CHAMP framework. Helen Ma will arrange for these.

Presentation: Special Enterprise Program (SEP)

Jose Fernandez Garcia – Community and Economic Development Planner for DTES

- *See attached slides for reference*
- Preliminary presentations have been made to the Small Business and Economic Development working group and the Chinatown Economic Recovery Taskforce so far.
- Why “Special Enterprise Program (SEP)” instead of “Special Economic Zone (SEZ)”?
 - In 2018, the Chinatown community requested the removal of the HA-1A rezoning policy (removed as of 2018) and asked Council to declare Chinatown as a SEZ.
 - The aim of SEZs is to attract foreign businesses/investments to an area to create local opportunities for residents, by establishing a zone with tailored government taxation/customs/trading policies that are different than surrounding areas.
 - An SEZ may not be suitable because the DTES doesn’t want to attract foreign businesses, but to support existing businesses in the area instead. Additionally, SEZs have been criticized for enabling the denial of labour rights to their workers.
- A pilot project with Kam Wai Dim Sum provided business development consultant support to assist Kam Wai to stay in Chinatown. The hope is to expand this kind of support to more legacy businesses through the SEP.
- Timeline: The program proposal for approval will be presented to Council in Q1-Q2 of 2021.
- Questions for the LSG:
 - How would you like to be involved in developing this program?
 - Who needs to be at the table?
 - What can the DTES planning team do to help the LSG, BIA and VCMA to help your members to access financial aid that senior government is providing to small businesses?

Comments/Questions from LSG:

- The BIA has been the non-profit sponsor for the City’s capital grants before and could be a good partner alongside VCMA.
- Would only ground-level retail be eligible for the SEP? Chinatown has many second and third-level businesses.
 - A: Supports are not restricted by building-level. Businesses that are important to and meet community needs are SEP’s targets.
- Is the SEP also going to provide tax incentives and reductions in property taxes?
 - A: A separate City department, the City Manager’s Office, is engaging with the Province to look at taxation issues, but at the moment we are unable to bring those incentives to the DTES under this program.
- What is the likelihood of advancing the timeline of the program?
 - A: The program has elements that still need time to be developed. Regarding short-term needs, Jose is asking the LSG what can the DTES planning team do to help community organizations access financial aid from senior government?

- Is the City open to public-private partnerships?
 - A: Yes. Please send any leads to jose.fernandez.garcia@vancouver.ca.
- What is the total money the SEP is pooling for its program?
 - A: The City aims to contribute \$500k-1 million to the SEP to start. Jose is seeking additional funding from other partnerships as well.
- The biggest threat to preserving businesses and Chinatown's urban form is how property owners and merchants are taxed on the "highest best land use". Would like to be involved in a conversation about property tax reform.
 - A: Working with the City's Finance department and the Province to make changes and will communicate with the LSG if any progress is made.
 - Jose can get an update from the City Manager's Office on this work and look into how Chinatown can participate in this conversation. Last year, legislation called the "Taxation Reform Split Assessment" was passed to address this exact issue.
- Regarding property tax reforms, the savings would need to be passed down to the tenants/merchants from the property owner. Better programs would directly benefit the businesses right away.
- Jordan has an economic development connection in Prince Rupert who works for the Province. Will connect them with Jose for further conversation.
- Regarding the consultation process, have you done any consultation with the residents and tenants?
 - A: We have engaged with the Small Business and Economic Development working group and Exchange Inner City, and will work with the BIA, LSG and VCMA to help us develop this program. LSG members are welcome to join the advisory team.
 - It will be helpful to get the residents' perspective as they frequent local businesses and also rely on these businesses to meet their daily needs. This should be an important consideration for the program. We can bring this feedback into the process and commit to continuing this conversation.
- Have we asked the Province for funding for Chinatown?
 - Jose has been advised by the Finance department to establish this program as a basis to seek participation from the Provincial and Federal government for further funding.
 - However, CoV and LSG can still approach the Province from other angles outside of SEP. The tax reform mentioned above can be something Chinatown advocates for this election cycle.
- Invite running candidates for the provincial election to Chinatown and ask them "how will you support Chinatown"?

Meeting adjourned at 6:12pm

唐人街文化傳承督導組(LSG)第十三次會議

會議記錄摘要

日期：2020 年 10 月 6 日 (星期二)

時間：下午 4 時至 6 時

地點：Zoom 視像會議

出席成員:

陳維英 Anita Bardal Chan, Aynsley Wong, 郭瑋霖 Bill Kwok, Bob Sung, 米加密 Carmut Me, Charlotte Li, Danny Quon, 馬清石 Fred Mah, Inge Roecker, 伍沛雄 Jordan Eng, 黃儀軒 Kevin Huang, 黃壯慈 Kimberley Wong, Laiwan Chung, 謝麗如 Leslie Shieh, 李菊根 Jugen Li, 李玉榮 Ru Rong Li, Louis Lapprend, 譚聖祐 Michael Sing Yau Tan, Ross Lam, 黃仕儒 Sonny Wong, 關兆初 Vincent Kwan, 王墨 Rosy Wang Zhao, 馬威廉 William Ma,

嘉賓: 余全毅 Henry Yu (卑詩大學), 翁熊羿 Nick Yung (低收入工作小組共同主席), Parry Chan (陳穎川總堂), 凌慧意 Sarah Ling (REC 工作小組), Tiffany Zhang (翻譯員), Sinder Kaur (SUCCESS), 區韻宜 Wendy Au (CTT 顧問), 陳婉, **Jessica Chen**

市府職員:

唐人街經濟文化發展專案小組 (CTT)職員: 陳曉征 Alan Chen, 黃永安 Baldwin Wong, 李麗芳 Helen Lee, 馬凱盈 Helen Ma, 李光耀 Joseph Li, Jose Fernandez Garcia (市中心東端經濟發展規劃師)

缺席成員:

Alain Chow, Cecil Fung, 郭英華 Fred Kwok, 陳開心 Glynnis Chan, 吳峻譽 Jun Ing, 周慕慈 June Chow, Susan Ma, 陳德聰 Mark Lee, Minna Van, 廖綺媚 Stephanie Leo, Terry hunter, To Trinh Diep, Y Vy Truong

議程

時間	項目	主持人
4:00 p.m.	歡迎及承認所在地方為原住民土地	黃壯慈/譚聖祐 督導組共同主席
4:05 p.m.	督導組共同主席最新資訊	黃壯慈/譚聖祐 督導組共同主席
4:15 p.m.	社區最新資訊	督導組成員
4:25 p.m.	原住民參與 – REC 工作小組	凌慧意 REC 工作小組成員
4:45 p.m.	福溪東北地區工作小組報告	黃壯慈/譚聖祐 督導組共同主席
5:00 p.m..	唐人街經濟復原計劃 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 特別企業計劃 經濟復原工作小組報告 討論 	Tom Wanklin 及 José Fernández García 市中心東端規劃師 譚聖祐 督導組共同主席
5:45 p.m	唐人街經濟文化發展專案小組 最新資訊	黃永安/馬凱盈 唐人街經濟文化發展專案小組 共同領導
5:50 p.m.	會議結束	黃壯慈/譚聖祐 督導組共同主席

歡迎、承認所在地方為原住民土地及督導組(LSG)共同主席最新資訊

- LSG 共同主席正在與 CTT 職員共同制定一個就督導組程序收集意見的模式，不久便會向 LSG 成員提交，但各位成員無需等候，現在就可以向共同主席提供意見。

- 余全毅報告最新資訊：陳婉瑜、John Atkin 及余全毅正在與卑詩大學合作，使用「唐人街文化遺產及資產管理計劃」以及其他國際模式的研究資訊，就唐人街資產管理信託提供早期分析。他們可以在下月的 LSG 會議上作出高層次的介紹及提供有關模式的意見和最佳實踐方式等。

介紹：聯繫唐人街與原住民的途徑

凌慧意- 建立關係、公眾教育及增強組織能力(REC)工作小組

- 見附上的介紹圖片
- REC 工作小組已預留\$6000 元為督導組提供機會，學習原住民與唐人街之間的聯繫。
- 今天的介紹是為了提供一個認識和了解的基礎。
- 在 2019 年 12 月所做的調查顯示，大部份督導組成員都熟悉一系列的原住民議題，但亦有不少成員對這些議題不甚了解。
- REC 將會嘗試在督導組每月例會上加入學習的機會，其 2020 年的目標是讓督導組可以在唐人街聯繫原住民事宜上創建一個共同願景。
- 有甚麼支援或資源可令你更願意參與？
 - Omni 電視台正在制作一段有關“橙色襯衣日”(Orange Shirt Day)的多語言簡短錄像。歐韻宜可傳送給督導組。
 - 可考慮安排督導組參觀卑詩大學的人文博物館。
 - 不少華裔長者都有興趣參加這類活動及學習有關原住民的歷史。
 - “唐人街關注組”的長者透過市中心東端婦女中心及參與例如是“失蹤及被謀殺原住民婦女大遊行”和“60s Scoop”工作坊等活動，和原住民及跨性別原住民建立聯繫。
 - 安排華裔長者參觀原住民寄宿學校遺址，將會是個很好的學習機會。
 - 約 50 位華裔長者參觀了一齣由西門菲莎大學播影有關圖騰倖存者的紀錄片。“唐人街關注組”的長者表示，由於這議題與唐人街相關以及地點接近，故希望就這方面進行更多對話。
- REC 或會考慮邀請三個本地原居民族參與唐人街新春大遊行。
- 同時，唐人街又怎樣可以參與原住民社區內同等重要的活動？

福溪東北(NEFC)工作小組報告

- 五位督導組成員：米加密、黃儀軒、黃壯慈、譚聖佑及王壘代表督導組出席了福溪東北工作小組的會議。

- 督導組成員可以提出討論議題/事項，讓各位代表在下次會議上提出：
 - 一份 2018 年的市府報告指出由於氣候變化，福溪的海水會淹沒由科學館至 Clark 街的土地，並且上升至喜士定街越過中華文化中心的水平。我們怎樣可以保護唐人街免受水位上升造成的損害。
 - 馬凱盈：市府有位永續環保專家負責規劃水平上升的，包括市府如何保護有水浸風險的地區。我們可在下次會議時邀請他們出席講解。
 - 何謹巷(Hogan's Alley) 與福溪東北當局之間，以及就緬街 728 號(Jimi Hendrix'Shrine) 議題討論了甚麼？
 - 工作小組並未提出上述題目進行討論，但何謹巷正開始與市府展開討論。
- 工作小組決定在未確定是否需要外聘人員主持將來的會議前，由市府職員(Tom Wanklin、馬凱盈及黃耀薇)負責主持最初的幾次會議。
- NEFC 工作小組至今開了一次會議。下次開會日期是 10 月 14 日。

唐人街經濟文化發展專案小組(CTT)最新資訊

- 一個唐人街經濟復原專責小組已經成立，就新冠疫情復原方案向市議會尋求支援。
 - 參與的成員包括：譚聖祐、馬清石、伍沛雄、黃仕儒、米加密、Ross Lam、區韻宜、Henry Tom、Bob Sung、郭英華、郭瑋霖、馬凱盈、黃永安、Jose Fernandez Garcia、陳曉征。
 - 譚聖祐草擬了一封致市議會的信件並將會發送給督導組成員參考。
 - 在信件發出後並會發起請願信，將會需要更多人簽名支持。
 - 馬威廉、伍沛雄及陳開心會將請願信向他們熟悉的人士傳遞，其他督導組成員亦請仿效做法。

信件的要點包括：

- 由於疫情關係唐人街面臨急切需求，700 個商戶需要支援以渡過疫情。
- 讓唐人街更方便泊車，建議將街道上及華埠廣場的泊車收費降低或減免。
- 在人流多的地方安裝臨時加闊的行人道以滿足社交距離的規定；此外，唐人街並未能受惠於市府的露天茶座計劃。
- 將會繼續向省府及聯邦政府要求對唐人街的商戶給予財政援助。
- 增加清洗街道的次數以及將社區輔導員計劃的編制由每隊兩人增加至兩隊四人，以改善唐人街的街道安全和清潔情況。

- 指定一位市議員以更具協調性的方法聯繫市府工程部、市警、及省衛生部門以改善唐人街的街道狀況。
 - 支持將會在 2021 年初向市議會提交的「特別企業計劃」(Special Enterprise Program)，協助唐人街商戶數碼化。
- 以華埠廣場停車場作為臨時房屋安置的建議選項
 - 市議會曾動議要求職員統查由市府擁有並可作為舒援無家可歸者臨時方案的地點和物業。一份由市府職員向市議會提交的通報將華埠廣場停車場列為其中一個選項。
 - 但是在考慮因素中卻未有包括停車場是建於曾受污染不宜居住的土地上，而建築物亦不具備防震功能。
 - 黃永安將唐人街對此建議的顧慮轉告了通報的簽署者 Sandra Singh (藝術、文化及社區服務部總經理)，並稱這些顧慮將會在經濟復原專責小組信件之外的另一封致市議會的信件上提出。
 - Sandra 鼓勵督導組成員登記在這星期四舉行的市議會會議上發言，表達他們的顧慮。會議將在上午 9 時 30 分開始，並只會討論這項目。
 - 馬凱盈傳送了登記發言的連結。各位可以在家中發言或傳送意見，以便被收納為正式呈交的意見。
 - 黃永安及馬凱盈將會以電郵向督導組傳遞相關訊息。
 - 伍沛雄：魁北克街 800 號路段亦是其中一個選項，此地點是由緬街進入唐人街的通道，所以亦是個顧慮。
- 華裔加拿大人博物館在片打街漢升體育會的“一席之地”臨時展覽現正對外開放，訪客請登入以下網址登記：
<https://aseatatthetablechinatown.squarespacescheduling.com/schedule.php>
- 有關緬街 728 號的發展項目改變用途申請，馬凱盈會搜集相關資訊並在下次會議上提交。
- 華埠紀念廣場的重新設計程序，正在重啟並已成立福溪東北工作小組。該項目的市府職員團隊希望向督導組作出自我介紹，他們將會出席下次的督導組會議以提供背景資訊及該項目未來的時間表。
- 馬凱盈向“唐人街歷史區規劃委員會(CHAPC)”提供了有關督導組的最新資訊，並在督導組的各項試驗計劃和已完成的工作方面獲得到正面的回應。他們最近將專注事項從建築物擴闊到其他議題。

- CHAPC 要求就“特別企業計劃”以及“唐人街文化遺產及資產管理計劃”架構獲得進一步的介紹。馬凱盈將會作出有關安排。

介紹：“特別企業計劃(SEP)”

Jose Fernandez Garcia – 市中心東端社區及經濟發展規劃師

- 請參考附上的介紹圖片
- 至今已向“小型商業及經濟發展工作小組”及“唐人街經濟復原專責小組”作出了初步介紹。
- 為甚麼是“特別企業計劃(SEP)”而不是“特別經濟區(SEZ)”？
 - 唐人街社區在 2018 年要求取消 HA-1A 改變用途政策(已於 2018 年移除)，並要求市府將唐人街界定為一個特別經濟區(SEZ)。
 - 特別經濟區的目的是要吸引外國商業/投資入區內，藉著成立一個擁有與其他鄰近地區不同的稅務/關稅/貿易等政府政策的區域，為其居民創造本地機會。
 - 特別經濟區可能對唐人街並不適合，因為唐人街無意吸引外國商業，而是要支持區內現有的商戶。此外，特別經濟區曾被批評為助長妨害工人勞工權益的措施。
- 曾有一項試驗計劃向「金威南北點心」提供商業發展顧問方面的支援，以協助金威留在唐人街繼續營業。我們希望透過“特別企業計劃”將同類型的支援擴展至更多傳統歷史商鋪。
- 時間表：這計劃的建議書將會在 2021 年第一至第二季時向市議會提交。
- 要問督導組的問題：
 - 你希望如何參與制定這計劃？
 - 有誰需要參與？
 - 市中心東端規劃團隊可以怎樣協助督導組、商業促進會以及華埠商會、幫助這些組織的成員獲取到省及聯邦政府向小型商業提供的財政援助。

督導組的評論及問題：

- 華埠商業促進會曾經是市府基建撥款的非牟利贊助者，可以和華埠商會成為好夥伴。

- 是否只有地鋪的零售商業才合乎“特別企業計劃”的資格？唐人街有不少商業是在二樓或三樓經營。
 - 答：支援並不受制於商鋪所在樓層。能夠滿足及對社區需求重要的商業都是“特別企業計劃”的對象。
- “特別企業計劃”是否會提供稅務優惠及減低物業稅？
 - 答：另一個市府部門「市政經理辦公室」正就稅務問題接觸省府，目前我們無法將這些優惠引入唐人街計劃之中。
- 有沒有可能將計劃的時間表推前？
 - 這計劃中有些元素仍需要時間制定。有關短期的需求，Jose 問督導組市中心東端規劃團隊如何可以協助社區組織獲取由較高級別政府所提供的財政援助？
- 市府是否願意考慮採用“政府/私人夥伴模式”
 - 答：是，請將任何意見向 Jose 發送，電郵：
jose.fernandez.garcia@vancouver.ca。
- “特別企業計劃”可應用的款額有多少？
 - 答：市府在開始時會考慮向計劃投放\$50-100 萬元，Jose 亦會向其他夥伴尋求更多經費。
- 保留唐人街商鋪及城市模式所面對的最大威脅，是業主和商戶按照“最佳土地使用”標準繳納稅款。我們希望能夠參與物業稅改革的討論。
 - 答：正在與市府財政部門及省府合作作出改變，若有任何進展將會通知督導組。
 - Jose 會向市政經理辦公室索取這方面的最新資訊，並研究如何讓唐人街加入討論。去年通過了名為“稅務改革拆分評估”的法例以處理這議題。
- 有關物業稅的改革，所節省的款項需要由業主下傳至租客/商戶，更佳的計劃可以讓商業即時直接受惠。
- 伍沛雄認識在 Prince Rupert 市從事經濟發展及在省府工作的人員，他會介紹給 Jose 作進一步討論。
- 有關諮詢公眾的問題，你們有沒有向居民和租戶作出諮詢？
 - 答：我們曾諮詢了小型商業及經濟發展工作小組及 Exchange Inner City 組織，並且與商業促進會、督導組及華埠商會合作，幫助我們制定這計劃。歡迎督導組成員加入顧問團隊。

- 由於居民經常光顧區內的商鋪解決日常所需，所以知道他們的看法將會幫助很大。這亦是計劃中一個重要的考慮事項。我們可以納入程序之中並承諾繼續這方面的討論。
- 我們有沒有向省府要求向唐人街撥款？
 - 財政部門建議 Jose 以設立這計劃作為尋求省府參與和進一步撥款的基礎。
 - 但是市府及督導組仍然可以從“特別企業計劃”以外的角度接觸省府，上述的稅務改革正是唐人街可以在這次選舉中提出的議題。
- 邀請省選的候選人到來並問他們：“你將會怎樣支持唐人街？”

會議結束 – 6.12 pm