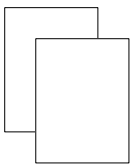


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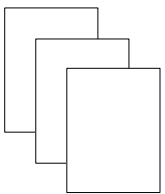


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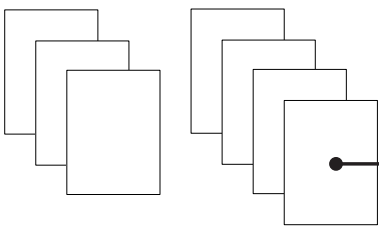
INTRODUCTION

This introduction board describes where the principles came from, their purpose, and how we would like your input today.



APPROVED AND EMERGING POLICIES

These three boards provide the summaries of city-wide and regional policies/initiatives. These City Council approved policies/initiatives inform the eight principles that are described on the boards that follow.



GENERAL LAYOUT OF PRINCIPLE BOARDS 1-7

The general layout of the seven principle boards is described below:

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The principle that has been informed by city-wide and regional policies/initiatives.

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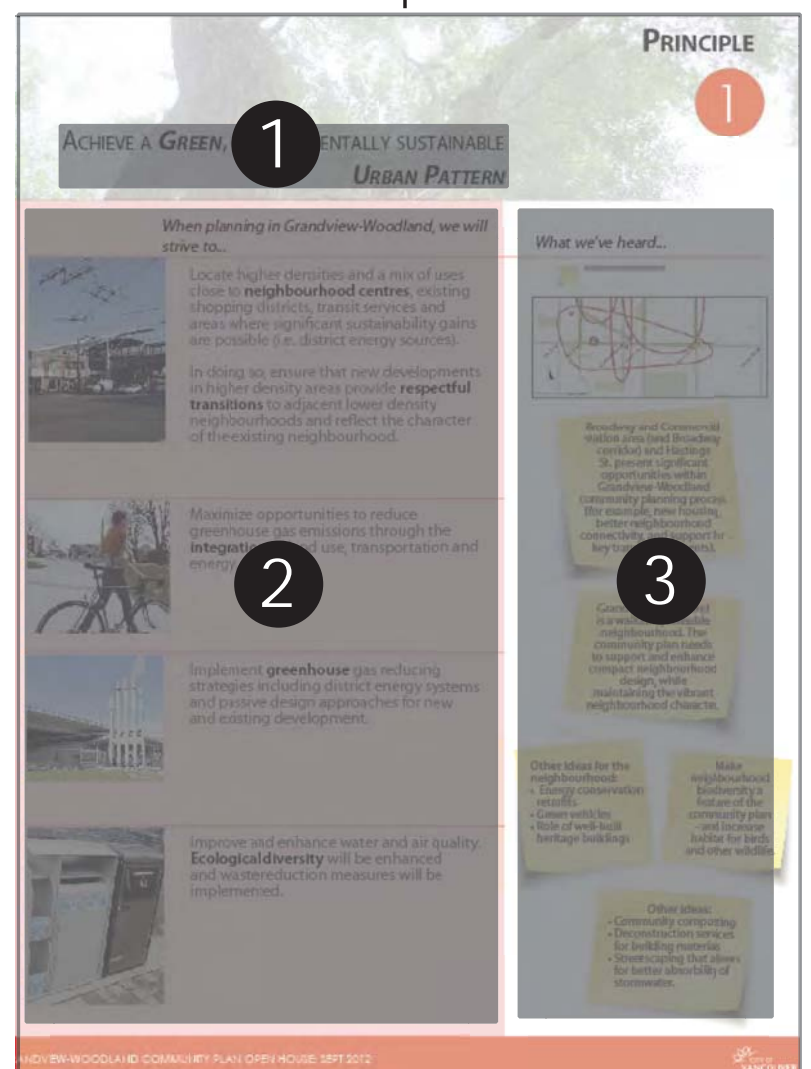
Description of what that principle means as we undertake planning in Grandview-Woodland.

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Things we've heard from you that have informed the principles. This input was collected through:

- Open houses and workshops
- Meetings with specific groups - including youth, seniors, Aboriginal community
- Conversations with residents, and other established neighbourhood organizations.
- Special events - storytelling night, walking tours, dialogue session and photo contest
- Asset mapping opportunities
- Social Media
- Questionnaires
- Conversations on the street and at community events

Since May 2012 when the Grandview-Woodland Community Planning process was launched, we have met with about 2,000 people and received over 800 completed questionnaires!



NAVIGATING THE *PRINCIPLES* BOARDS



Principles...

WHERE DID THEY COME FROM?

The principles are based on existing city-wide and regional policies, plans, initiatives and charters.

Where possible, we've provided a link between these city-wide principles and what we've heard matters to you in the "what we've heard" column.

WHAT ARE THEY FOR?

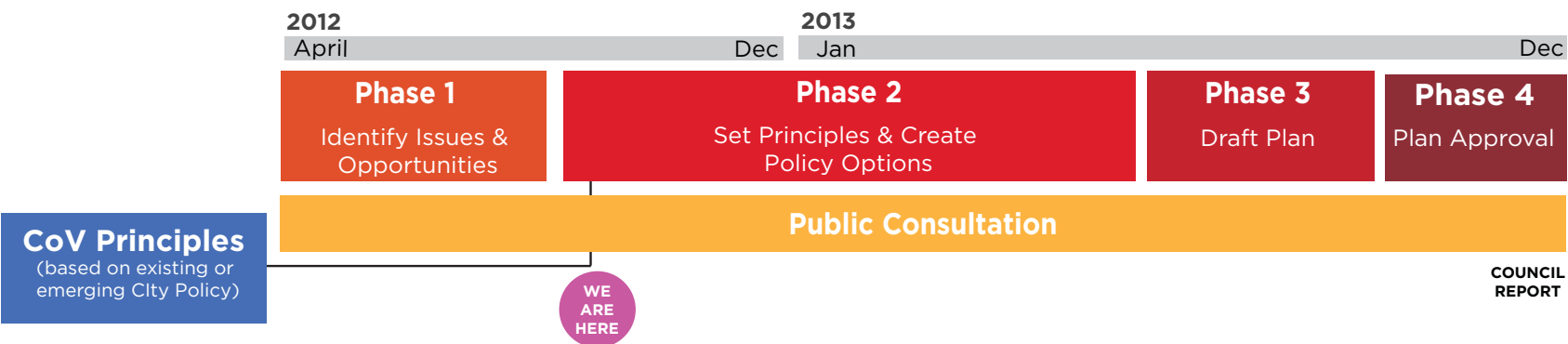
The Principles are intended to inform comprehensive planning in Grandview-Woodland, as well as shape and inform individual land use change and future development. With your help, we hope to effectively translate the principles and objectives to the neighbourhood level.

How to provide your input...

We would like your feedback on what you think these general principles mean for Grandview-Woodland. Please put your comments on post-its provided by staff on the blank boards that are placed in between the principles boards. Feel free to also build on comments provided by others!



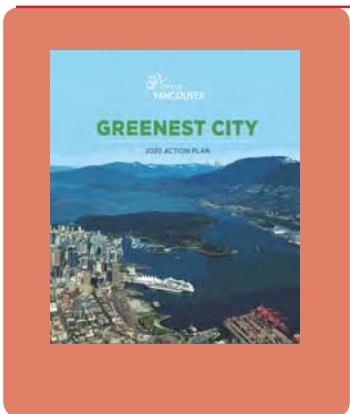
WHERE ARE WE AND WHERE ARE WE GOING?



RELEVANT CITY-WIDE AND REGIONAL *POLICIES AND INITIATIVES*

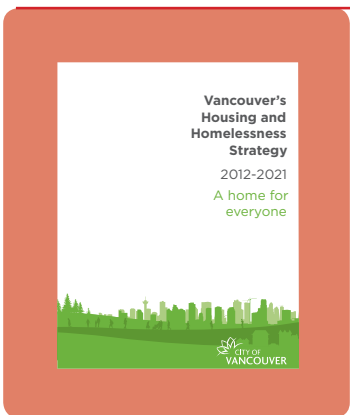


SUMMARY



GREENEST CITY ACTION PLAN (2011)

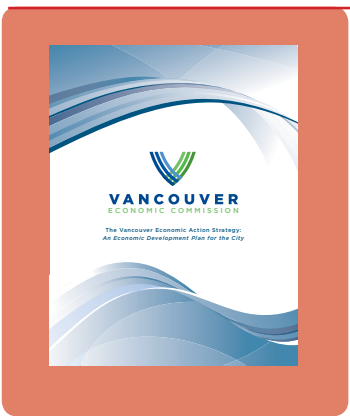
The Greenest City 2020 Action Plan provides a path towards a greener future for our community and our planet. It is our road map to becoming the greenest city in the world by 2020. The Plan is divided into 10 smaller plans, each with a long-term (year 2050) goal and medium-term (year 2020) targets. Together, these 10 plans address three over arching areas of focus: reducing carbon, reducing waste, and supporting healthy ecosystems.



HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS STRATEGY (2011)

The Housing and Homelessness Strategy describes the City's overall direction for housing, including what we need and how we will get there over the next ten years.

It identifies the different kinds of housing necessary to meet the needs of our citizens, as well as ways to improve and better preserve the housing we currently have. The City of Vancouver faces significant challenges at all points along the housing continuum, from the provision of emergency shelters to home ownership. The Strategy includes directions to improve housing affordability and diversity at all points along the continuum.

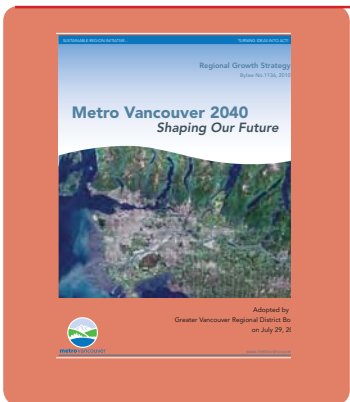


VANCOUVER ECONOMIC ACTION STRATEGY(2012)

This Strategy has three major areas of focus, each containing a series of actions and outcomes that will be measured over the next three to five years. These areas of focus are:

1. Create a Healthy Climate for Growth and Prosperity;
2. Provide Support for Local Business, New Investment and Global Trade;
3. Focus on People – Attracting and Retaining Human Capital.

The majority of the plan's activities focus on changes that will continually improve Vancouver's business climate, support existing local businesses and facilitate new investment, and attract the human capital essential to the future. This document highlights a number of major commitments that will help transform how business growth is fostered, and articulates how development of the programs were especially guided by opportunities to support and work closely with key partners who share varying degrees of responsibility in influencing economic prosperity.

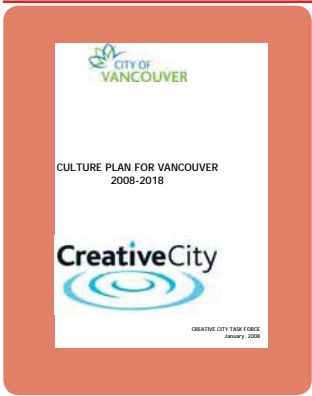


REGIONAL GROWTH STRATEGY (2011)

The Regional Growth Strategy looks out to 2040 and provides the land use framework for planning related to utilities (water, liquid waste and solid waste), transportation, housing and air quality.

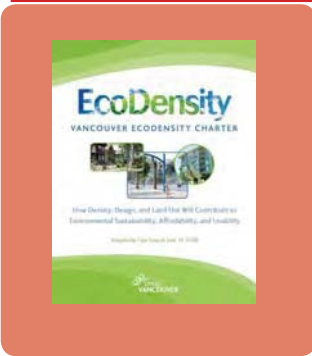
The Strategy addresses how the region will accommodate the over 1 million people and 600,000 new jobs that are expected to come to Metro Vancouver in the next 30 years. The five goals of the plan address how to manage this growth in a way that enhances the livability and sustainability of the region.

RELEVANT CITY-WIDE AND REGIONAL *POLICIES AND INITIATIVES*



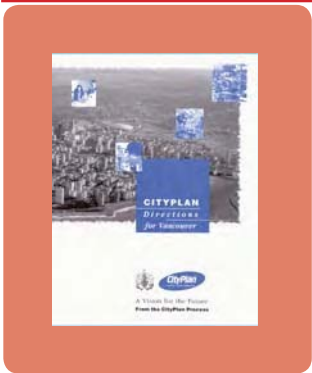
CULTURE PLAN (2008)

The central vision of this ten year Culture Plan is to promote and enhance the culture and creative diversity of the City of Vancouver to the benefit of our citizens, our creative community, and our visitors. The Plan will build upon Vancouver’s current diverse and plentiful artistic and entertainment offerings to create a new dynamism and pride in our cultural life.



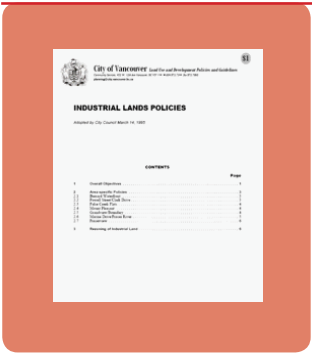
ECODENSITY (2007)

The EcoDensity Charter represents a commitment between the City and its citizens to promote complete, mixed-use neighbourhoods in order to achieve a more sustainable, livable, and affordable City. The Charter looks at using density, better design and land use, and ways to support transit and active transportation to help reduce the City’s carbon footprint, share resources, address climate change, expand housing choices, and create vibrant, walkable commercial areas.



CITYPLAN (1995)

Through the CityPlan process, Vancouver residents created a Plan for a city of neighbourhoods; a city where there is a sense of community for all ages and cultures; a city with a healthy economy and environment; and a city where people have a say in the decisions that affect their neighbourhoods and their lives. To realize this overall shared vision, the CityPlan process identified directions on a range of issues facing Vancouver in the years and decades following adoption of the plan. Themes include neighbourhood character, transportation, arts, housing and community services.



INDUSTRIAL LANDS POLICIES (1995)

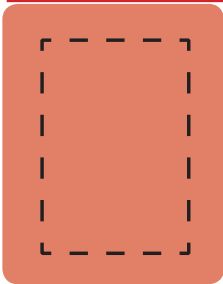
An industrial land base is a critical component of a resilient and adaptive economy. The Industrial Lands Policy identifies the boundaries of industrial land that should be retained for industry and/or other uses needed to support port/river related industry needs. The Policy identifies seven industrial areas in the City, each with their own area -specific policies. The Burrard Waterfront and Powell/Clark Industrial Area in Grandview-Woodland are two of the seven areas.



HERITAGE CONSERVATION PROGRAM (1983)

The Heritage Conservation Program, initiated by City Council in April 1983, created a comprehensive management program to identify the city’s heritage resources (Vancouver Heritage Register), develop incentives to assist in the conservation of those resources, and to create a greater awareness and understanding of our built heritage.

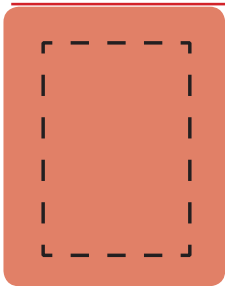
RELEVANT CITY-WIDE AND REGIONAL *POLICIES AND INITIATIVES*



MAYOR’S TASK FORCE ON HOUSING AFFORDABILITY (ON-GOING)

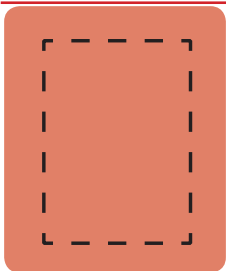
The Task Force has been struck to examine conditions that exist in Vancouver which may act as barriers to the creation of affordable housing, the steps necessary to protect existing affordable housing and identify opportunities for increasing affordable housing. Task Force recommendations outlined in their interim report “Bold ideas towards an affordable city” are:

- Increase supply and diversity of affordable housing
- Enhance the City’s and the community’s capacity to deliver affordable rental and social housing
- Protect existing social and affordable rental housing and explore opportunities to renew and expand the stock
- Streamline and create more certainty and clarity in the regulatory process, and improve public engagement



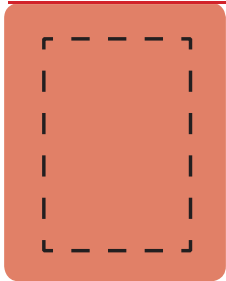
TRANSPORTATION 2040 (ON-GOING)

The City of Vancouver is developing Transportation 2040, a plan that supports an inclusive, healthy, prosperous, and liveable future for Vancouver. The plan will guide transportation decisions for how people and goods will move in and around Vancouver over the next 30 years. It’s our road map for a future where walking, cycling, and transit are attractive options for getting around.



SOCIAL SUSTAINABILITY AND SOCIAL AMENITIES PLANNING (ON-GOING)

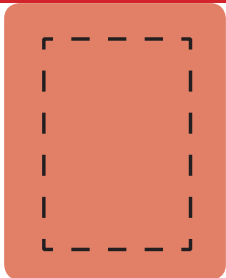
The City of Vancouver’s Social Sustainability effort focusses on Quality of Life issues with the intent to do the very best we can within our mandated responsibility to ensure the well-being of the city’s residents. The three key areas of work include: Quality of Life research, Social Development, and the formulation of a broad social sustainability “lens” through which to engage in municipal activities.



HEALTHY CITY STRATEGY (ON-GOING)

Along with its key partner Vancouver Coastal Health, the City of Vancouver is developing a long-term strategy for healthier people, healthier places and a healthier planet – building on previous and current efforts to address urban health issues through prevention, treatment, harm reduction, and regulation/enforcement. The Healthy City Strategy will focus in 3 key areas:

- Towards Healthy People: Taking care of the basics
- Towards Healthy Communities: Promoting inclusion, belonging and connectedness
- Towards Healthy Environments: Ensuring livability now and into the future



FOOD STRATEGY (ON-GOING)

The Vancouver Food Charter, adopted in 2007, presents a vision for a food system that benefits our community and the environment. It sets out the city’s commitment to develop a just and sustainable food system in which production, processing, distribution, consumption and disposal are integrated to enhance environmental health, economic vitality, and human health and social equity.

The Food Strategy, which is an action plan that will implement the vision articulated in the Charter, is currently under development. The Strategy has 5 key goals which are:

1. Create Food Friendly Neighbourhoods
2. Empower Residents to Take Action
3. Use Food to Create a Healthy and Equitable City
4. Make Food A Centrepiece of Vancouver’s Green Economy
5. Advocate for a Just and Sustainable Food System with Partners and all Levels of Government

PRINCIPLE

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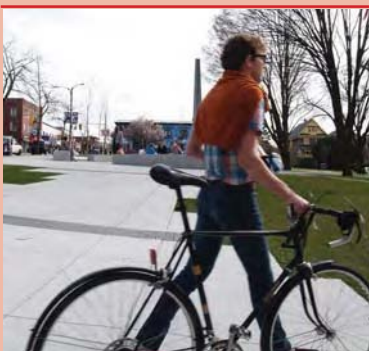
ACHIEVE A **GREEN**, ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE **URBAN PATTERN**

When planning in Grandview-Woodland, we will strive to...



Locate higher densities and a mix of uses close to **neighbourhood centres**, existing shopping districts, transit services and areas where significant sustainability gains are possible (i.e. district energy sources).

In doing so, ensure that new developments in higher density areas provide **respectful transitions** to adjacent lower density neighbourhoods and reflect the character of the existing neighbourhood.



Maximize opportunities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through the **integration** of land use, transportation and energy.



Implement **greenhouse** gas reducing strategies including district energy systems and passive design approaches for new and existing development.



Improve and enhance water and air quality. **Ecological diversity** will be enhanced and waste reduction measures will be implemented.

What we've heard...

Key ideas that we heard



Broadway and Commercial station area and Hastings St. represent significant opportunities within the Grandview-Woodland community planning process (for example, new housing, better neighbourhood connectivity, and support for key transit investments).

Grandview-Woodland is a walkable, bikeable neighbourhood. The community plan needs to support and enhance compact neighbourhood design while maintaining the vibrant neighbourhood character.

Ideas for the neighbourhood:

- Energy conservation retrofits
- Green vehicles
- Conserving & adapting of well-built heritage buildings

Make neighbourhood biodiversity a feature of the community plan - and increase habitat for birds and other wildlife.

...And other possibilities:

- Community composting
- Deconstruction services for building materials
- Streetscaping that allows for better absorption of stormwater.

PRINCIPLE

2

SUPPORT A RANGE OF AFFORDABLE *Housing Options* TO MEET THE DIVERSE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY

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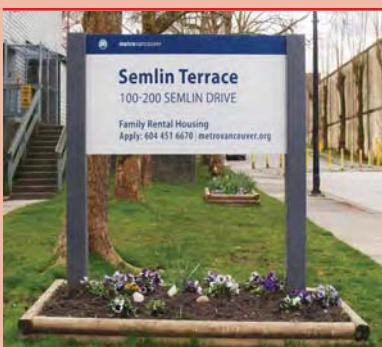
Increase the **diversity of the housing stock** by providing a range of housing forms, unit types and sizes to meet the needs of a diverse population.



Provide a range of **affordable** housing options for low to moderate income households (e.g., social housing, secure, purpose-built rental, and affordable home ownership).



Recognize the value of **existing** affordable and low-income housing that meets the needs of low/moderate income households, including the retention, enhancement and renewal of secure purpose-built rental housing.



Increase options and enhance stability for **vulnerable community** residents including individuals and families experiencing homelessness, those with mental illness and addictions and seniors by ensuring access to accessible, adaptable and supportive housing, shelters, social housing and supports as needed.



Recognize the value of having a variety of housing choices and **community facilities** to attract and retain a **vibrant workforce**, including young families.

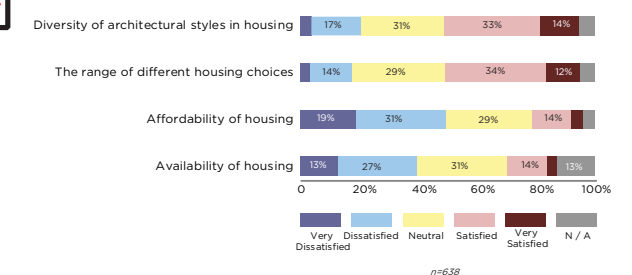
What we've heard...

Grandview-Woodland Questionnaire

Key ideas that we heard

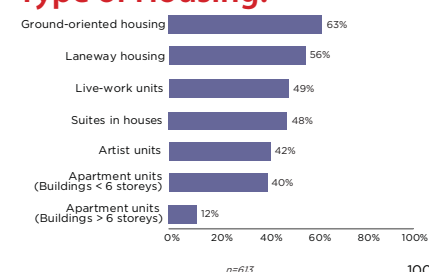


How satisfied are you? (housing question)

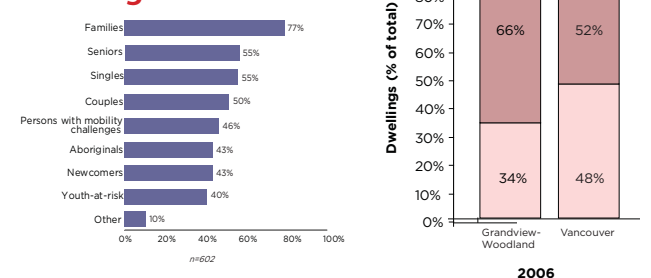


What type of housing does Grandview-Woodland need more of?

Type of Housing:



Housing For:



Key opportunities for Grandview-Woodland:

- Retain existing affordable rental stock and prevent displacement of renters. Create new rental opportunities where possible, and limit conversion of existing rental housing to strata-titled buildings
- Support the important role that co-ops play in the community
- Recognize the role played by heritage buildings in providing needed housing for residents
- Ensure that new development is created in a way that supports the character of the neighbourhood – questions of form and density are key
- Enable focussed housing supports for seniors, youth, Aboriginal and newcomer families
- Provide support for services that help low-income individuals and families
- Create a greater variety of housing – including more ground-oriented housing opportunities for families with children

PRINCIPLE

3

FOSTER A ROBUST, RESILIENT *ECONOMY*

When planning in Grandview-Woodland, we will strive to...

Enhance and support local community **economic development** and green enterprises through the development of strategic zones (i.e., green enterprise zones, smart neighbourhoods) that engage citizens and business leaders in the incubation and demonstration of local innovations.



Ensure office, entertainment, creative incubators, educational facilities and retail space are included in **mixed-use development**, where appropriate.



Avoid displacement or destabilization of existing city-serving land uses, including industrial and employment areas, and develop **employment space** strategies that accommodate future growth.

Consider the value of existing **affordable commercial** spaces.



Ensure job space is well integrated with the **transportation network** by providing greater proportions of office and other higher ridership uses in proximity to transit stations.

Engage businesses in improving **housing** and daycare affordability and choice to attract and retain a diverse workforce.



Enhance the affordability and availability for **daycare** for working families.

What we’ve heard...



Grandview-Woodland Questionnaire



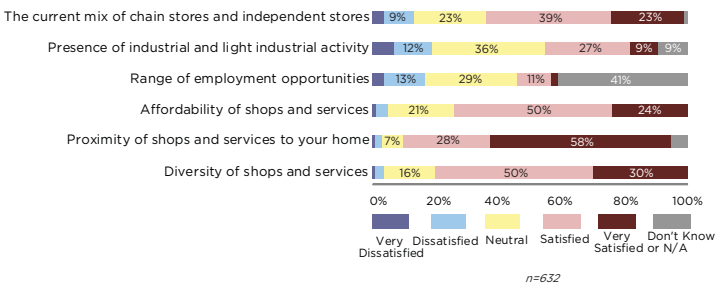
Key ideas that we heard

The Community Plan should support local, independent businesses on Commercial Drive and Hastings Street and limit the assembly of small sites.

Asset:
The giant orange cranes that define the port area.



How do you feel about the following aspects of the local economy in Grandview-Woodland?



Local retailers need support because increases in rental costs are a challenge.

Grandview-Woodland’s industrial areas play a key role in the local economy, particularly in connection with arts, culture, and local food industries.

Better connect the north and south ends of Grandview-Woodland - Hastings Street to Commercial Drive (north of Venables) .

Ideas that resonated:
Further integration of small, neighbourhood-scale grocery, stores, restaurants, etc. throughout the neighbourhood (e.g. like Victoria Drive). (Some concerns noted about parking and potential need to rezone).

PRINCIPLE

4

ENHANCE *CULTURE, HERITAGE* AND *CREATIVITY* WITHIN THE CITY

When planning in Grandview-Woodland, we will strive to...



Develop, enhance and retain public and private spaces for cultural and social activities, emphasizing **flexible uses** that can evolve over time. Types of spaces include gathering, creation, production, presentation and support spaces.



Ensure spaces for cultural and social activity reflect the **character and identity** of the neighbourhood.

Integrate **public art** into the public realm, enhancing the pedestrian experience and complementing the surrounding built environment.



Review opportunities to integrate **cultural space**, including artist live-work studios, into residential and mixed-use buildings.

Consider cultural **programming needs** when designing public and private spaces.

Ensure that **heritage resources** of importance or significance to the community are identified.



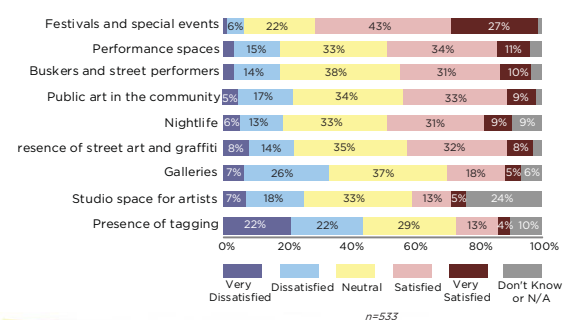
Review opportunities for **retention** or recognition of resources with heritage value.

What we've heard...

Grandview-Woodland Questionnaire

Key ideas that we heard

How satisfied are you with arts and culture in Grandview-Woodland?



Over 10% of Grandview-Woodland's population is Aboriginal. The Grandview-Woodland plan should enable Aboriginal art to be better integrated.

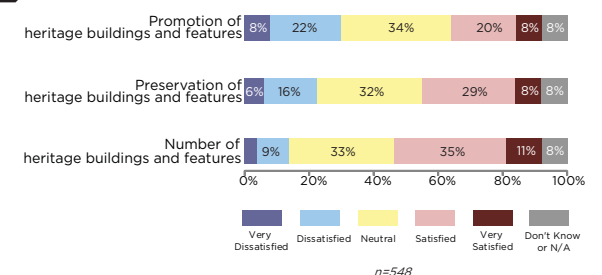
"We have so many artists but relatively little public art. This should change."

The availability of affordable live/work and studio space for artists in the neighbourhood is key to supporting the local cultural sector.

Did you know? The industrial-zoned areas in Grandview-Woodland play a key role in supporting the local arts community?

Did you know? Grandview-Woodland has 141 designated heritage buildings, but a large number of heritage features remain off the Vancouver Heritage Register.

How satisfied are you with the following aspects of heritage?



PRINCIPLE

5

PROVIDE AND SUPPORT A RANGE OF *SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION* OPTIONS

When planning in Grandview-Woodland, we will strive to...



Make **walking** safe, convenient and delightful, and ensure streets and sidewalks support a vibrant public life that encourages a walking culture, healthy lifestyles, and social connectedness.



Photo by Paul Krueger

Make **cycling** feel safe, convenient, and comfortable for people of all ages and abilities. Prioritize connections to important destinations like schools, community centres, transit stations, and shopping areas.



Encourage **transit** improvements to increase capacity and ensure service that is fast, frequent, reliable, fully accessible, and comfortable.



Manage the **road network** efficiently to improve safety, minimize congestion, and support a gradual reduction in car dependence. Make it easier to drive less. Accelerate the shift to low carbon vehicles and car-share alternatives.

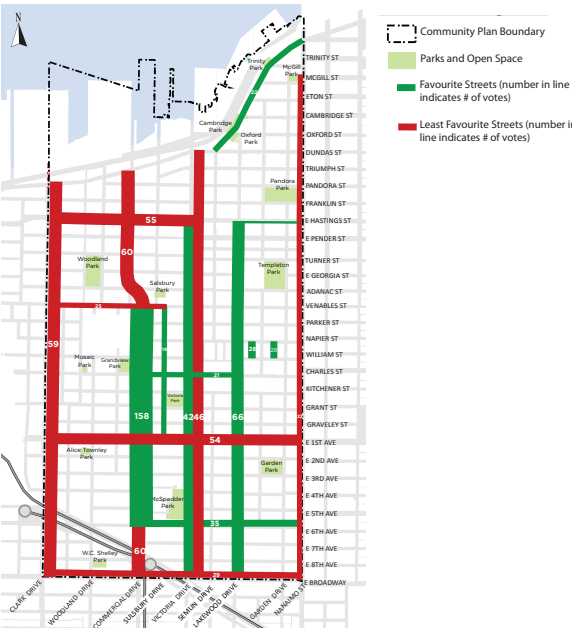
Support the **efficient movement and delivery of goods and services**, while reducing negative impacts to the community and environment

Support shorter trips and sustainable transportation choices by creating compact, walkable, transit-oriented neighbourhoods.

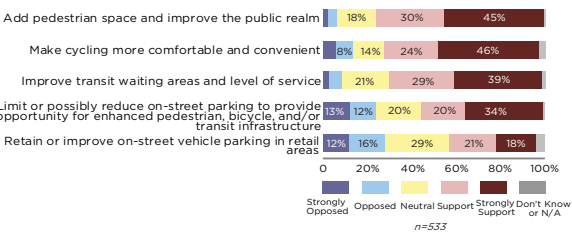
What we've heard...

Grandview-Woodland Questionnaire Key ideas that we heard

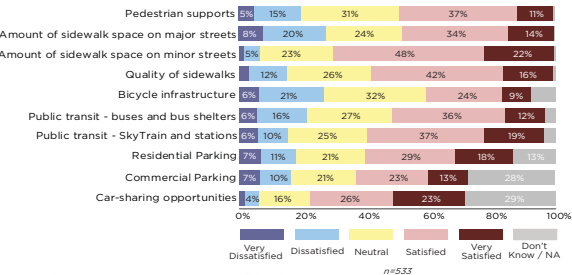
Favourite and least favourite streets to walk along:



Your support for the following transportation ideas across Grandview-Woodland:



How satisfied are you with the following transportation aspects of Grandview-Woodland?



Vehicles:
Reduce the intensity of vehicle traffic on Clark, Hastings, Nanaimo, E.1st Ave., Powell, Dundas, and Venables (west of the Drive).

Bikes:
There were a range of opinions on the type and location of future bike infrastructure, in particular bike lanes.

PRINCIPLE

6

PROTECT AND ENHANCE PUBLIC OPEN SPACES, *PARKS* AND GREEN LINKAGES

When planning in Grandview-Woodland, we will strive to...



Ensure that residents enjoy **good access** to green spaces, including urban forests, parks, open spaces and space for food production.



Ensure that neighbourhood centres, parks, public places and community amenities are connected through a network of **green linkages**, interesting public spaces and safe streetscapes.



Develop **green spaces** in areas which are underserved and preserve/improve existing green spaces.



Apply **ecological “best practices”** for public realm and infrastructure design to achieve accessible, adaptable, and engaging streets, parks, and public places. Designs should embrace natural processes, use environmentally responsible materials, and consider opportunities for food and energy production.

What we’ve heard...



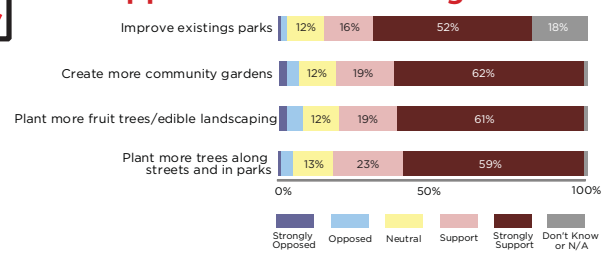
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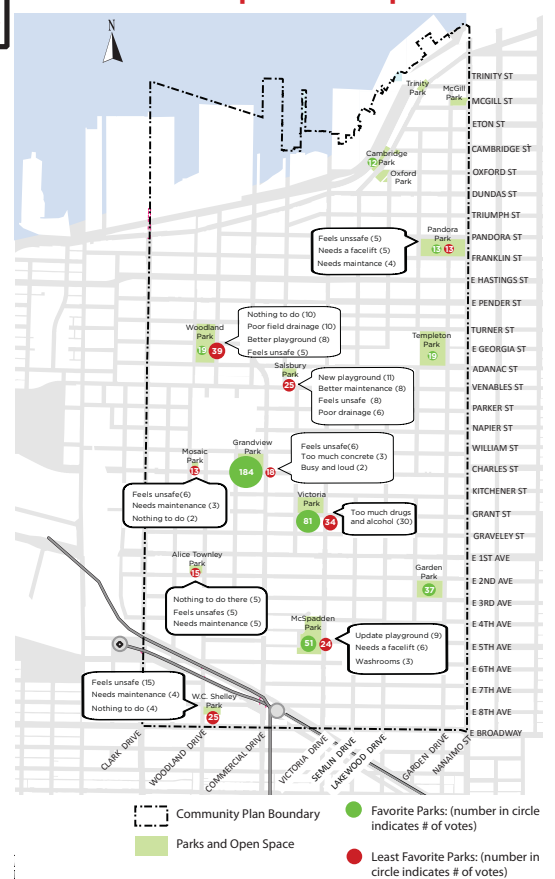
Key ideas that we heard



Your support for the following ideas:



How can we improve the parks?



Maintain the character and feel of 'the Drive'. It's one of the city's great public spaces.

Make sure park space is viewed not just for its recreational value but for its environmental role - as habitat and as a means to support necessary environmental processes.

Access to the water? "Consider a way to connect Grandview-Woodland to the Burrard Inlet."

FOSTER RESILIENT, SUSTAINABLE, SAFE AND HEALTHY *COMMUNITIES*

When planning in Grandview-Woodland, we will strive to...



Strategically integrate planning for **social amenities** with land use planning.

Work in **partnership** with the community, senior governments and other agencies to ensure appropriate social infrastructure and amenities are in place for residents.

Prioritize amenities and facilities that support a range of **programs** and activities to accommodate evolving needs.

Explore opportunities for partnerships and **co-location** to achieve maximum public benefits in the delivery of amenities.



Preserve and enhance **local food** systems and opportunities for local food production.

Work with communities to develop **unique responses** to social and environmental issues.

Recognize and reinforce the unique identity, heritage and character of neighbourhoods to maintain a strong sense of community and “**sense of place**”.

Support walking, biking and other active modes of transportation that support **healthy lifestyles**.

Work towards developing healthy people, **healthy communities** and healthy environments as building blocks to a healthy city.

Ensure that **public safety** is a priority - so that people can live, work and play in the city where they feel safe at all times.

What we’ve heard...



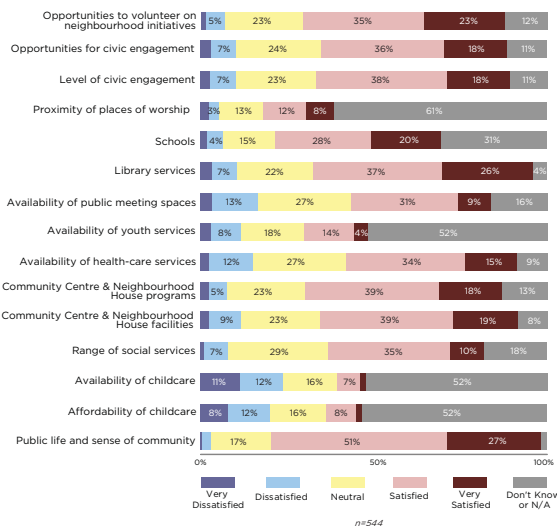
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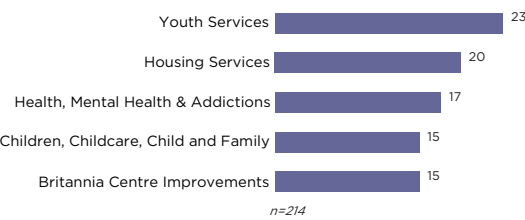
Key ideas that we heard



How satisfied are you with the Grandview-Woodland’s social sustainability?



Providing a range of housing needs is key to Grandview-Woodland’s social assets. What other social and community services are needed? Top 5 answers:



Grandview-Woodland’s amenities and facilities are well-loved and well-used. But many are operating at capacity. Key services need to be able to grow and expand, including:

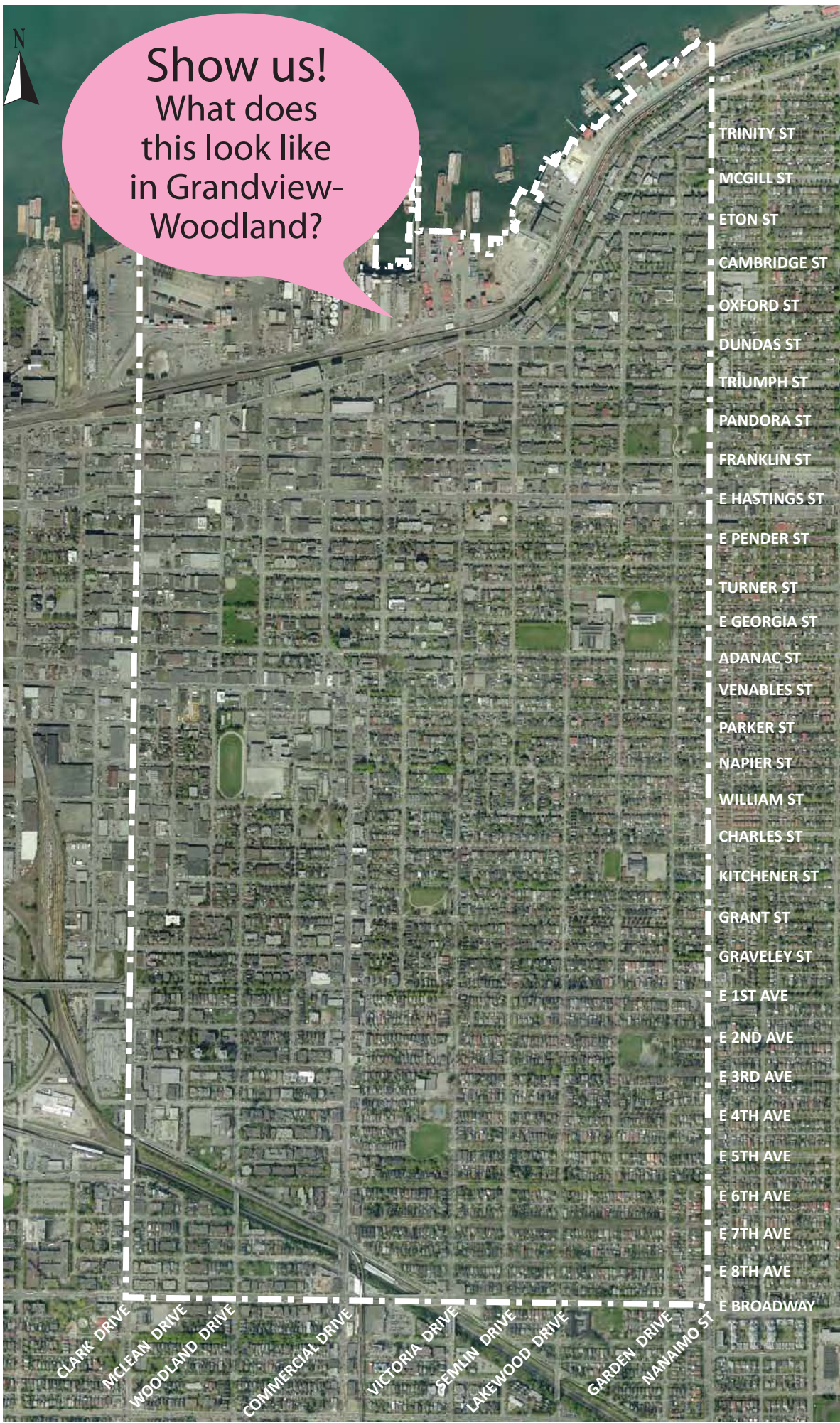
- Britannia Community Centre
- Aboriginal Friendship Centre
- Urban Native Youth Association
- Kettle Friendship Centre
- REACH Community Health

“Build on the great assets that exist in Grandview-Woodland’s social services - good programs, collaboration and knowledge of the neighbourhood.”

This plan should strengthen night-time safety, especially in areas where industrial and residential areas connect.

Principle 1

Achieve a Green, Environmentally Sustainable Urban Pattern



Tell us!

Please feel free to comment on any aspects of the principles, either with sticky notes or by drawing on the map.

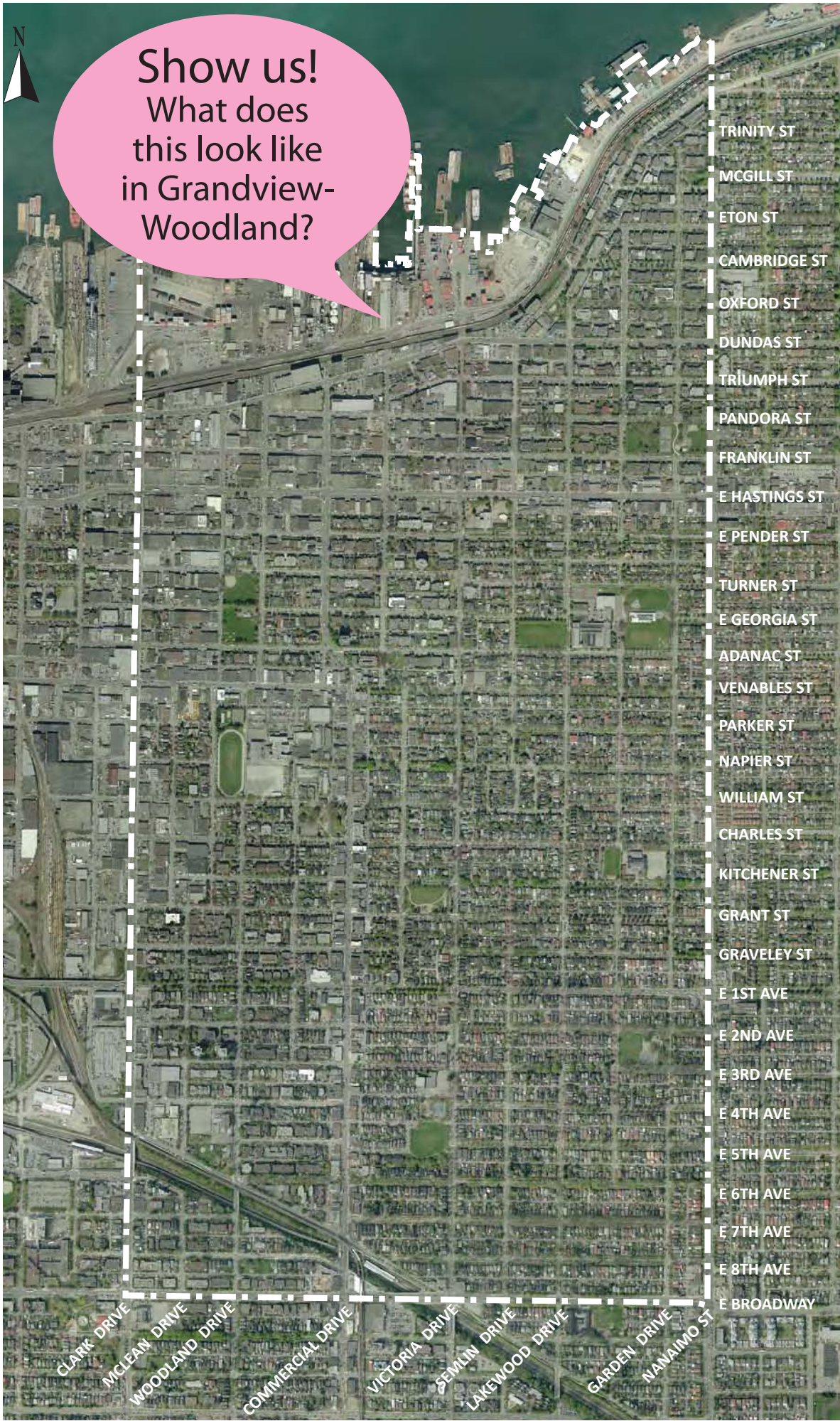
Not sure where to start? Give us your take on the following questions.

1. How do you envision one or more of the following in 20 years time:
- Broadway and Commercial
 - Hastings and Clark
 - Nanaimo and 1st Ave.

2. Can you think of some good ways to lower energy use in Grandview-Woodland (e.g. improving energy efficiency)?

Principle 2

Support a Range of Affordable Housing to Meet the Diverse Needs of the Community



Tell us!

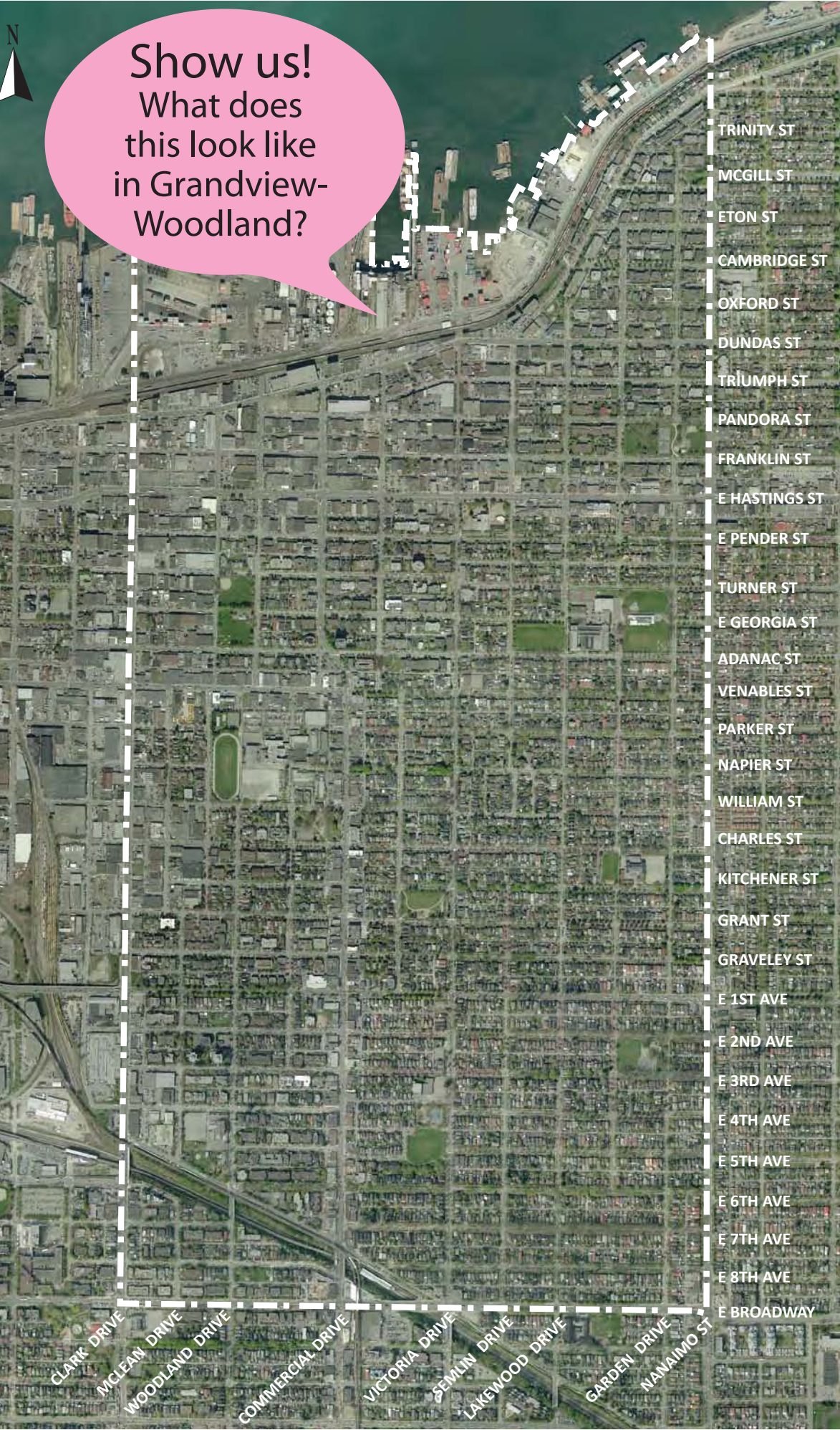
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1. When new housing is created, where should it be located and why?

Principle 3

Foster a Robust, Resilient Economy



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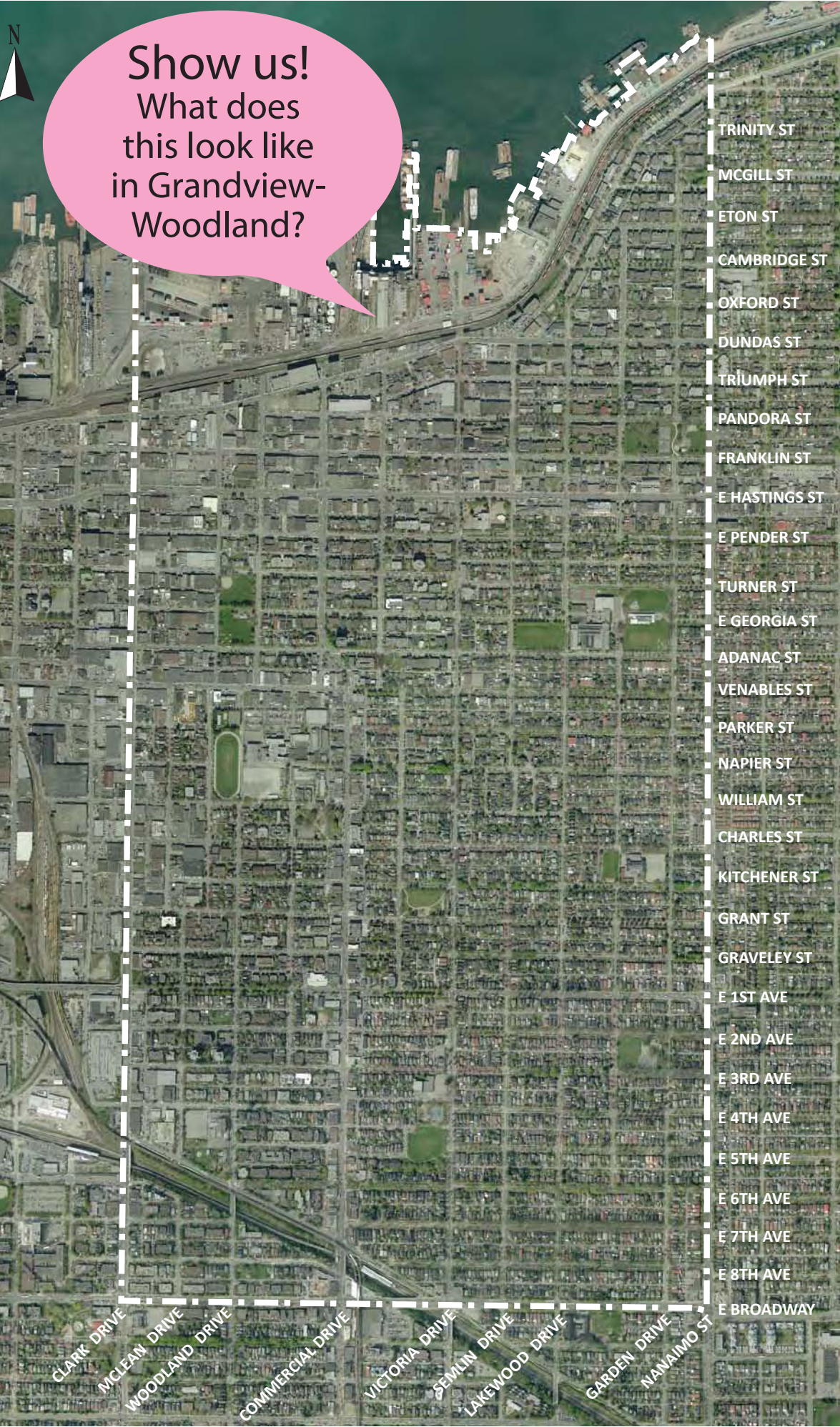
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1. How can we better support local independent businesses?

2. People want a better connection between Commercial (from Venables) and Hastings. What would you like to see here?

Principle 4

Enhance Culture, Heritage and Creativity Within the City



Tell us!

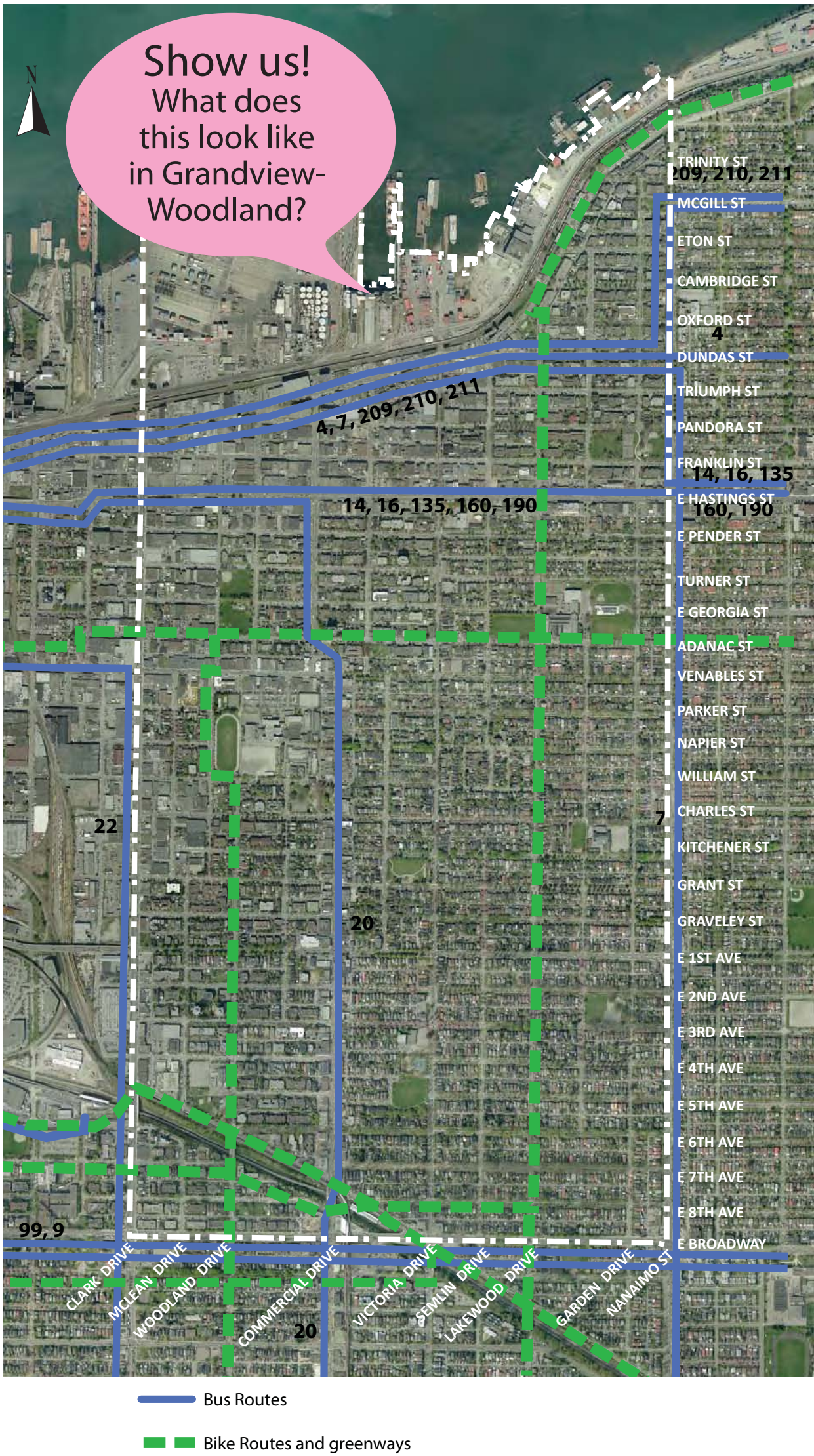
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Not sure where to start? Give us your take on the following questions.

- 1. We heard you want more public art in Grandview-Woodland...where would you like to see this? Can you think of other examples in Vancouver that you like?
- 2. Where are the key heritage features (buildings, places, features) that should be protected?

Principle 5

Provide and Support a Range of Sustainable Transportation Options



Tell us!

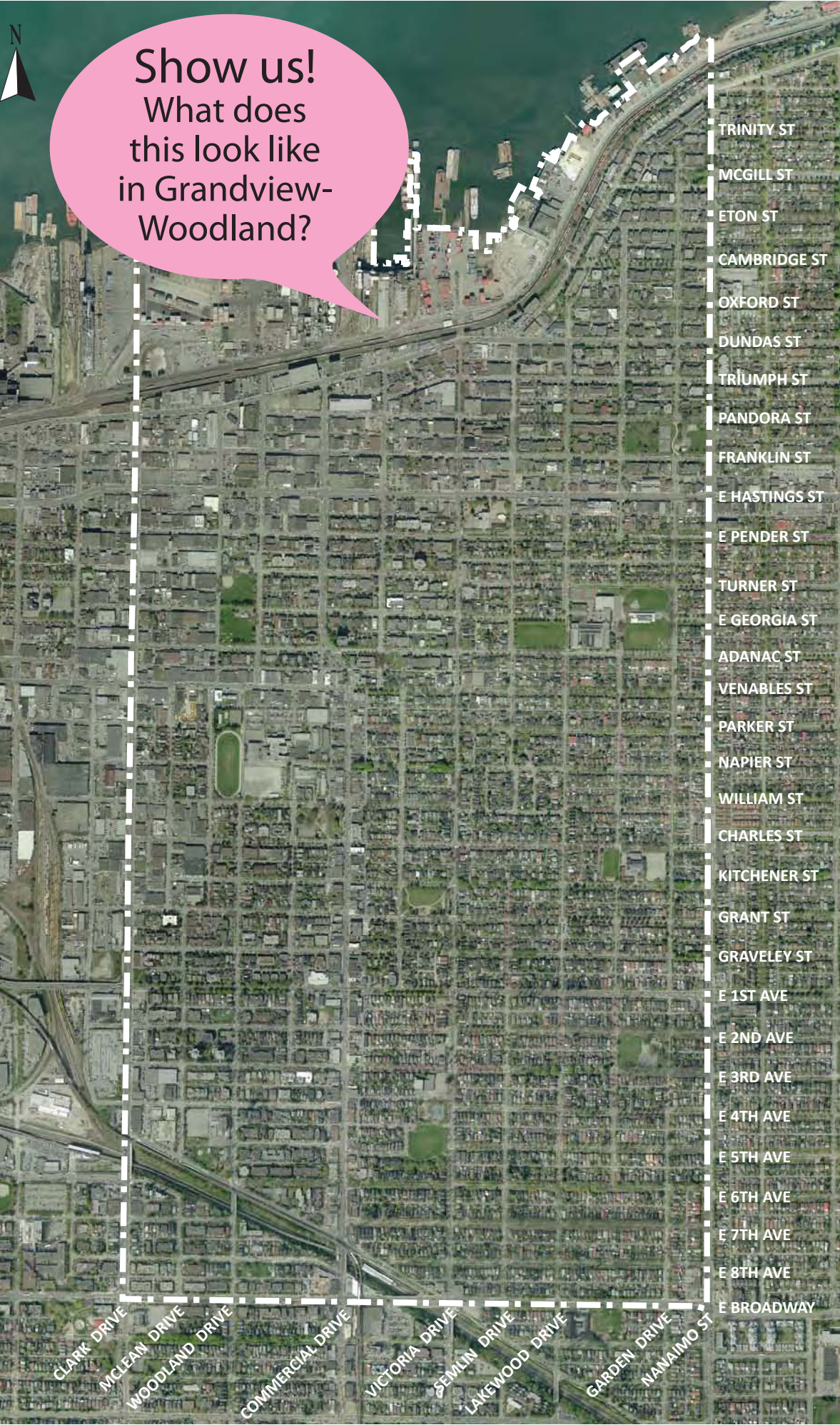
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1. How can we make Grandview-Woodland even more walkable? (Where should we need additional pedestrian infrastructure? e.g. wider sidewalks, seats, public washrooms, etc.)

Principle 6

Protect and Enhance Public Open Spaces, Parks and Green Linkages



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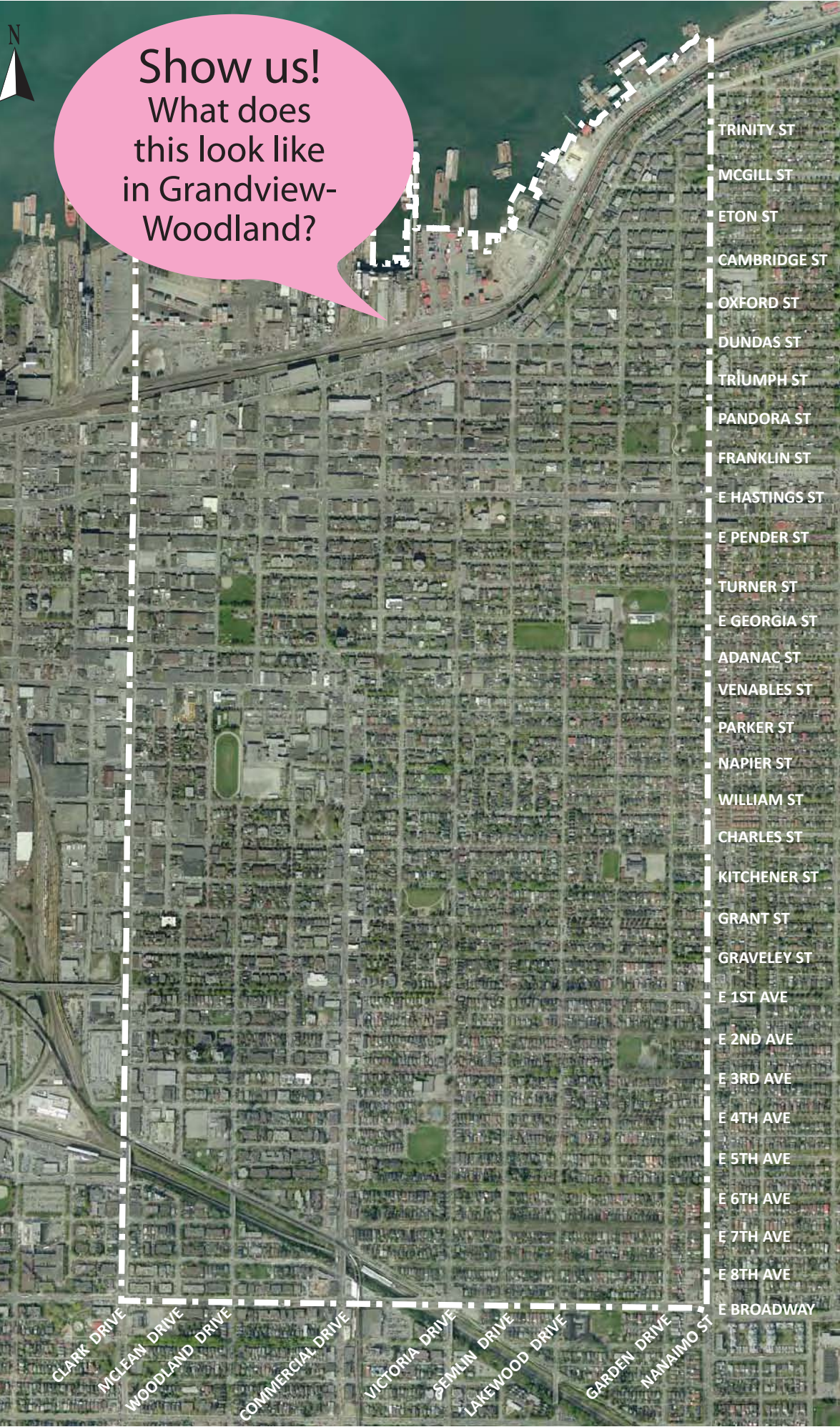
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- 1. We heard you would like more trees in Grandview-Woodland. Show us where!
- 2. Where should we consider a street-to-park project (close a street block to create a permanent mini-park or plaza)?
- 3. Where are the best views? And what are they views of?

Principle 7

Foster Resilient, Sustainable, Safe and Healthy Communities



Tell us!

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Not sure where to start? Give us your take on the following questions.

- 1. We heard you want to see more community gardens and orchards in Grandview-Woodland. Where would you like to see these?
- 2. In addition to more community gardens, are there other ways we can support local food production in Grandview-Woodland?
- 3. Where do we need better nighttime lighting?