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DVBA Business and Property Owners
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Dear DVBA Member,

The City of Vancouver has started the formal notification process for the Dunbar Village Business Association (DVBA) renewal, and the DVBA has been encouraged to include an informational insert in the City's notification package.

The **DVBA Renewal Trifold** you should have already received highlights the DVBA's accomplishments **from 2022 to 2025**, as well as the **benefits of being part of the citywide partnership of Vancouver's 22 Business Improvement Associations (BIAs)**—a network that amplifies advocacy, resource-sharing, and business support throughout the city. The brochure also outlines the DVBA's **goals for the future** and introduces its **new mandate for 2026 to 2031**, reflecting the priorities identified by members and the evolving needs of the Dunbar community.

The DVBA's Board discussed the City's request and reviewed that one of their core priorities is to **maximize the value of the levy funds contributed by DVBA members**. The Board achieves this by keeping administrative costs as low as possible and continually seeking innovative, cost-effective ways to meet the DVBA's goals related to street enhancements, safety, marketing, events, partnerships, and community advocacy. The DVBA Board also reflected on the DVBA's highly challenging budget, the costs already incurred for renewal outreach, and the AGM held in September, when members overwhelmingly approved the DVBA's five-year renewal mandate, as well as the budget and funding ceiling.

In keeping with our commitment to cost efficiency, the Board decided **not** to print additional colour copies of materials that have already been hand-delivered or mailed to members. The Board concluded that DVBA members would prefer not to have their dollars spent on duplicate colour photocopying, which would have been very costly. These documents—including the renewal trifold and the report titled "*Benefits and Value Received by Businesses, Property Owners, and the Community at Large in 2024–2025 from the Dunbar Village BIA*"—are also available **in full colour on our website** for convenient viewing at any time.



If you **did not receive either of these documents**, and would prefer your own printed copies, please get in touch with me directly, and I will gladly mail them to you.

If you have **any questions at all**—about the renewal process, the DVBA's mandate, how levy funds are used, or anything else—I welcome the opportunity to speak with you. Please feel free to contact me personally.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the Dunbar Village BIA and for being part of our community.

Warm regards,

Lisa Clement
Executive Director
Dunbar Village Business Association