

Temporary Modular Housing | New Beginnings Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting Notes

May 21, 2019, 5:30-6:30pm | Hillcrest Multipurpose Room 328

1. Welcome and Introductions

a) The facilitator welcomed the Committee to the meeting. The group introduced themselves and the role they have on the committee.

2. Review of Action Items

- **Action item #1:** CoV contacted Eric Hamber Secondary to set a date for giving a classroom presentation on TMH. CoV will reach out as needed to the staff at Eric Hamber.
- **Action item #2:** The meeting invitation was sent to the Committee for the May 21, 2019 meeting.

3. Updates and Discussion

a) Lu'ma Native Housing Society

- Things have been going well. There have been some staff changes/additions at the Society. The team is ensuring a smooth transition for all.
 - June 21, 2019 is National Indigenous Peoples Day. Lu'ma is planning a celebration more info to come.
 - There are a few building residents that have requested to relocate to the Downtown East Side. The team is arranging for this to happen.
 - There are 2 spaces available at New Beginnings. The team is in the process of filling one of the spaces. This should happen by the end of this week.
 - Programs at New Beginnings are up and running.
 - **Community Member Question**: How are the tenants adjusting to moving to an area that doesn't have the same amenities they might be used to in other neighbourhoods?
 - **Response from Lu'ma:** Their staff hasn't heard complaints from the residents about moving to this area of the city. The area has created some mobility barriers for wheelchair-bound residents but staff and other tenants support those folks.
 - The residents have been getting to know and supporting each other and creating their own community.
 - We would like to thank all the people who contributed donations and time to welcome our residents and we will be sending thank you letter community members/organizations.
 - We have been awarded two community grants: to create a New Beginnings Community Garden and host an Outdoor Movie Night.

- The staff will coordinate between the two buildings for the movie night.
- **Community Member Question:** 4949 Heather Street has been designated as Elections BC office space. The organization would like to make a presentation to the residents to review the voting process and encourage the residents to vote or volunteer to support the election.

b) BC Housing

No updates

c) City of Vancouver

No Updates

d) Vancouver Coastal Health

• No Updates

e) Vancouver Police Department

- There isn't much to report on.
 - There has been some minor crime activity in the area, but it was not related to the New Beginnings residence.
 - There was a recent fire in a vacant home near Cambie and 35th. It was determined the cause was from a person living in the vacant building.

f) Community Members

- Information was distributed about the upcoming Hillcrest Festival
 - New Beginnings residents attended the Community Block Party that recently took place.

4. Action Items and next steps

Action	Responsible
The next meeting will be set in September. An invitation will be sent out to the CAC members once the date and meeting space have been	City of Vancouver
confirmed	
Lu'ma will confirm the main building contact phone number is still the same and that it is clear the number is for both of the New Beginnings Buildings.	Lu'ma Native Housing Society
The Committee will confirm with PAC representatives in September to confirm their continued role on the CAC or to have the new PAC representatives introduced to the CAC.	City of Vancouver