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Naomi Place
Modular Housing
Community Advisory Committee
Monday October 6, 2021
Zoom Meeting
5:30pm - 6:30pm.

1. Welcome and Introductions

Facilitator welcomed the committee, asked to all members introduce themselves, and acknowledged that the site being discussed at this meeting sits on the traditional unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish, and Coast Salish Peoples.

2. Update on current conditions

a. **Community Builders Group**

A representative from the Community Builders Group (CBG) reported that the Community Builders Group has been operating Naomi for almost a year and half. At the end of September there was an event to celebrate and gather with residents. The event included a barbecue and an art show and the CBG representative reported that staff and residents had a great time.

b. BC Housing

No updates

c. City of Vancouver

No updates

3. Roundtable Discussion

a. **Issues and or challenges**

- A community member raised concerns from a neighbour about flashing lights from emergency vehicles and asked whether the emergency vehicles were attending Naomi Place.
 - A CBG representative relayed that emergency vehicle responses to Naomi Place are not a daily occurrence but that there are times when emergency services are called.
- A community member raised concerns with increased garbage in the area.
 - A CBG representative agreed and proposed a neighbourhood clean up project amongst all the neighbours.
 - Another community member mentioned that they had also noted an increase in garbage in the area but does not believe it is exclusively related to Naomi Place.
 - A City of Vancouver representative mentioned that there are grant opportunities, such as funding to support Neighbourhood Clean Up Parties.



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- o The community members were interested and asked for grant information to be shared with the group.
- One of the community members noted that an individual identifying themselves as a police officer had come to their house to check if all the windows were closed as there was a break-in in the area.
 - o The Collingwood Community Policing Centre representative, encouraged all community members to report all crimes and suspicious activities, including home visits from individuals identifying themselves as law enforcement, to police or call 911 if there is crime in progress.
- A community member mentioned that neighbours have noticed screaming coming from a resident's window.
 - A CBG representative relayed that that staff have been working with the residents on their indoor volume. The representative also reminded the group that the most effective way for immediate action related to the building is to call the building to reach the 24/7 staff at 604-423-9030.
- A community member also mentioned some trees at Naomi Place might be dead and would like to have it addressed.
 - o A CBG representative advised that the property manager is already working on it.

5. Next Steps

CBG will coordinate the next meeting date and send an invite to community members.

The City of Vancouver representative shared links to grant opportunities that may be of interest to members:

Neighbourhood Small Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● https://neighbourhoodsmallgrants.ca/our-grants/greenest-city-grants/: details of what types of project are supported (infrastructure, building upgrades, or maintenance projects aren't eligible, except for community gardens) ● Eligible applicants are people living in Vancouver (registered organizations and businesses are not eligible) ● Must be free, accessible, and welcoming to all 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Administered by the Vancouver Foundation ● Small grants of up to \$500 for Vancouver residents to support and build grassroots action on Greenest City targets (\$50-\$500 per project) ● Application deadlines vary based on community. Grants are currently OPEN in Renfrew area during the second round of applications between September 7 and November 9, 2021: https://neighbourhoodsmallgrants.ca/our-communities/cedar-cottage/
Neighbourhood Clean Up Party	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● https://vancouver.ca/people-programs/neighbourhood-cleanup-party.aspx 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● When you host or join a cleanup, the City will provide the tools needed to get the party started, including: garbage bags, gloves and other cleanup tools, and free pickup of litter collected.



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Additional grant opportunities are available through the City's Community and Social Service Grants page (<https://vancouver.ca/people-programs/community-grants.aspx>). Please note that many require projects to be run by registered non-profits, charities, or with non-profit operator(s) to be eligible – however, there could be an opportunity to here to collaborate with different organizations.