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Reiderman Residence
Temporary Modular Housing
Community Advisory Committee
Thursday October 18, 2018
Marpole Community Centre
5:30-6:30pm

1. Welcome and Introductions

- a. Facilitator welcomed the committee.

2. Review action items from June 2018 meeting.

- a. Who is the new organization contact person for Community Builders now that Beth Anne has moved on? – *Shauna Semenowich and her contact information was sent out in September's Minutes.*
- b. Discussion around the frequency of future CAC meetings – *Please see decision below.*

3. Updated and Discussions

- a. **BC Housing** – No updates at this time.
- b. **City of Vancouver** – 600 funded units promised by the government were reached across the 10 sites in the lower mainland.

There are 13 buildings across 10 sites. More CAC's are expected to start up shortly with most of the buildings now complete.

Cambie Downtown will open two buildings in November. There are 98 units and MPA is the operator for this site. The buildings will share parking lot with Easy Park.

Heather Lands is still under construction and is expected to finish in December.

West 1st at Olympic Village will open in 2019.

The site at Union and Gore got approved and will be the last to open.

Question -*Will there be any more modular buildings built in the West Side of Vancouver?*

Answer –*The funding commitment has been reached and the city is not looking for any further sites at this time. The city will look for land when the modular units need to be moved but land is challenging to find.*

- c. **Community Builders Group** –The donation bins that were of concern have been removed, and there is a noticeable difference in the area with little to no debris now.

A Thanksgiving dinner took place where residents actively participated in the cooking and serving of the meal. Residents brought plates of food to other residents unable to attend



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the meal due to mobility issues etc. There was a very interactive atmosphere and good morale.

One resident moved out and one moved in, putting the building back to full capacity.

Another full-time position was added, where staff is responsible for driving residents to appointments and also for partnering with volunteers in the community to support the residents.

- d. **Vancouver Coastal Health** – Continues to support residents who need it, no further updates.
- e. **VPD** – There have been no significant calls to police and in fact there have been less calls than similar sized apartment buildings in the area.

Question – How many calls to the building have there been since it opened?

Answer – I don't have that information right now. Last month there was one call.

- f. **Community Members** – 38 board funded access passes were given out to Reideman residents. Only 12 residents are using the passes regularly.

The Marpole Community Center gives out more free passes than most other Community Centers.

There is a seniors lunch once a month at the cost of \$4.00 per person.

Question – Has there been much turn over?

Answer – No, only positive conversations about the passes.

- g. **PACS** – Due to the change in legislation there is some concern about marijuana around school grounds.
- h. **Discussion** – It was discussed and agreed upon that Thursday's at 6:00 p.m. was a preferable meeting time for most CAC members.

Members were in agreement that monthly meeting could move to bi-monthly meetings and then when agreed upon, quarterly meetings.

Community Builders has offered to arrange any Ad hoc meetings if needed before the next scheduled meeting. Community Builders is also willing to meet with any CAC members to discuss concerns one on one in lieu of a full CAC meeting involving all members.



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Action Item	Person Responsible	Status
The next meeting will tentatively set for January 17, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.	COV	Based upon availability of the room.
The following bi-monthly meeting will tentatively set for March 14, 2019	COV	Based upon availability of the room.