

## Planning and Development Committee

Tuesday July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019

6:30 pm in the Conference Room

**Present:** Jane Sheil, Li Mei Yip, Susanne Dahlin, Alissa Reed, Elizabeth Murphy, Penny Street, Barbara Cameron, Ken Paquette, John Morra, Pat Hogan, Nikki Kahn moui (facilitator)

**Britannia Staff:** Lindsay Grant (recorder), Cynthia Low

### 1 Introductions and Land Acknowledgement

### 2 Britannia Renewal Update (Susanne Dahlin)

- The Britannia Renewal project has been experiencing significant delays at the partner's table level. The project is still preparing to enter the rezoning phase. A contract is being developed for a consultant to undertake the rezoning for the first phase of the project.
- Major concerns outlined in the Britannia Society response to the Master Plan remain on the table as outstanding issues (including phasing, housing, non-profit hub, greenspace).
- More areas for clarification have been identified at the Social Non-Profit Hub meeting with City of Vancouver planners, including specifics of design and operation as well as concerns over maintaining affordability and accessibility for local grassroots groups

### 3 Housing Working Group

- The Britannia Board of Management has approved funds for hiring consultants to support the Society in undertaking community consultation and developing a proposal for potential housing on the Britannia site
- The Britannia Board of Management will use the contents of the final proposal and community consultation report to inform the Society position on housing on the Britannia site
- The Planning and Development committee will strike a working group to:
  - Recruit and select a consulting architect to support the work of the Housing Committee
  - Work with a consulting architect to develop plans for potential housing on site
  - Take plans for potential housing to community consultation for public input
  - Prepare a report based on community input for the information of the Britannia Board of Management
- Volunteers were called for at the meeting and a follow-up email will be circulated to all committee members

### 4 Discussion

- The committee discussed potential candidates with expertise in planning and architecture who could support the process
- The committee discussed additional potential funding sources for housing

## **NOTES – Planning & Development**

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### **5 Strategic Planning**

- Britannia is in the process of developing a 5 year strategic plan, and the Planning and Development Committee was invited to give feedback on the strategic commitments and updated Society mission and vision (see attached)
- An updated strategic plan will be reviewed by the Britannia Board of Management
- A survey will be circulated to Britannia staff and committee members

### **6 Discussion**

- The committee discussed the priority of protecting the integrity of the full Britannia site through the Britannia Renewal process, and specifically through site rezoning
- The committee discussed the priority of preserving Britannia's unique community-led operating model through the Britannia Renewal process and renewal of site partnership agreements
- The committee recommended developing Society literature to inform the public about the Britannia Community Services Centre operating model and the history of the Society

### **7 Close**