

Hello,

Thanks for your interest in our Community Drop In! Here is a list of topics that members of the public who dropped in requested we discuss. Please also see actions to follow up on, information received back in response to your queries. The next **Drop In is Tuesday August 11:30-1:00pm** in my office at City Hall.

Thanks for participating in your community!

Lisa

### **Agenda - Community Drop In August 1**

1. Update on Cook Street Garden
2. Headlines re: Commonwealth Games
3. Johnson Street Bridge Construction Closures
4. Coalition to End Homelessness
5. Challenges of Immigrant Entrepreneurs
6. Affordable Housing
7. Fort Street Bikelane
8. Incentives for women in the Cannabis industry
9. Clover Point - responsible dog ownership
10. Banning Straws

### **Items Mayor will follow up on:**

1. Connect Kelly with Neighbourhood Grant Program Fairfield rep
2. Ask staff what are our plans for pedestrians for Johnson Street Bridge closure during installation of new bridge? Suggest Harbour Ferries.
3. Ask Chris Coates to follow up and email Akbar
4. Introduce Megan to Business Ambassador, Bradbury sisters, Emile de Rosenroll of SIPP and Teri Hustins
5. Connect Darren with Accessibility Working Group
6. Ask staff about a ramp at Vitamin Store on Broad Street
7. Look at Newcastle Australia's parking model
8. Introduce Kelly to Erin Athene
9. Connect Nairn and Paula with Jill Doucette re: influencing the supply chain

### **Links to share from Drop In:**

Tulip Rice Bar and Cafe: [www.eattulip.com](http://www.eattulip.com)

The Burlap Shoe: <https://www.theburlapshoe.com/>

Straws Suck Campaign: <http://www.vancouverbc.surfrider.org/straws-suck/>

### **Items Mayor has followed up on:**

**Q:** Concern that portions of the Mt. St. Angela building that had been funded by City grants were going to be torn down.

**A: Mayor Helps,**

Staff looked into this further, and can confirm that grants were provided by the BC Heritage Trust and Victoria Heritage Foundation to fund various improvements to the heritage resources throughout the property 25 years ago. This included improvements to Mount St. Angela (the original 1866 portion and its later additions), as well as improvements to the Cartreff Residence (adjacent heritage house).

The portions of the building proposed for removal as part of the current proposal are the later additions – the porte cochere and the 1912 Annex addition. Part of the BC Heritage Trust grant from 1992 was used to fund improvements to these portions, including repairing stucco on the bays of the 1912 Annex addition and roof repair of the porte cochere. The rest of the grant funding was invested in the original Angela College building that is proposed to be retained (seismic work to stabilize chimneys) and improvements to the adjacent Cartreff Residence that will also be retained. There was also general roofing and repair work and exterior repainting.

Our files don't break down the specific costs for the portions that are currently proposed for removal, however, we have a general breakdown of funds, as follows:

**BC Heritage Trust 1991-92**

\$60,000 grant

\$3000 for a building needs study

\$12,000 for "basic conservation need"

**TOTAL = \$75,000**

**Victoria Heritage Foundation**

\$13,101 total in grants for the Cartreff Residence between 1979 – 2006.

\$4,500 grant for Mount St. Angela for chimney restoration on the 1866 portion in 1992.

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"When in doubt do the kindest thing possible." - Unknown