

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 that we discuss. Please also see actions to follow up on, information received back in response to your queries, links for information, and the date of the next Drop In. Please note that we've added some new 'after-work' drop in dates. Please pass these along to your friends, neighbours and colleagues who work during the day and may wish to drop in afterwards. Details here: <http://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/city/mayor-council-committees/mayor-lisa-helps/mayors-community-drop-in.html>

The drop in on April 1st was particularly inspiring with so many good ideas coming forward from members of the community. Thank you!

Community Drop In Friday April 1 Agenda

1. Daffodil Campaign
2. Housing
3. Biketoria and Cycling
4. Coast Guard
5. Green House Gas Emissions
6. Variance Applications
7. Sewage Disposal
8. Community Wellness
9. Transit
10. City's Website
11. First Nations Liaison
12. Book - Conversations with Monuments in Victoria
13. 950 King's grass cutting
14. Youth and Child Involvement
15. Public Art Wall
16. Biketown

Items Mayor will follow up on

1. Speak to Councillor Susan Low from Esquimalt about her plans for bringing a motion with regard to a Renters Tax Credit to UBCM
2. Connect Marg Gardiner with Thomas Soulliere, Director of Parks re: David Foster Harbour Pathway in front of the Coast Guard station as the Coast Guard is now wanting to get improvements underway
3. Ask Fraser Work, the City's Director of Engineering and Public Works how the City is currently tracking green house gas emissions and if we are doing so for private vehicles.
4. Request of planning staff that Board of Variance submission deadline for next month's meeting is *after* meeting date of current month, not before, as it is now. This will allow applications that may have a small clerical error to be heard at the following meeting rather than a two-month delay.
5. Ask at next Transit Commission meeting for staff to explore the possibility of increasing the number of transit tickets granted to social agencies given that the elimination of senior's tickets might have an impact on senior's ability to volunteer.
6. Look into Paul's Motor Inn as possible Bus Station.
7. As City staff and BC Transit if the BC Transit stops along Government street near the museum are also an 18 month pilot project.
8. Connect John, who is new to Victoria and has a fresh set of eyes with regard to the City's website with Citizen Engagement to give them his feedback.
9. Add "report a tripping hazard report" to Mayor's auto reply.

10. Connect Kathleen with Citizen Engagement re: “Conversations with Monuments in Victoria” book.
11. Pass along to Parks Department that the grass at 950 Kings doesn't look good and is too long. This is a problem because it is hard for those who do needle patrol to pick up needles. Also six inch long grass makes the neighbourhood look derelict.
12. Suggest to Citizen Engagement that there is a “Neighbourhood Corner” section on the City's weekly e-newsletter
13. Share with Arts, Culture and Events Team idea of having art in the inset areas of the wall at the Reid Site.

Items Mayor has followed up on

1. Ask about crosswalk at Huron/Erie and Dallas Road, near new Fishermans Wharf Park
Here are links to the staff report on the City's new crosswalk process and a list of the crosswalks by priority
Staff report: <https://victoria.civicweb.net/FileStorage/10457596497F4E8E9C9F4F41C148283C->

[1_Amended_Crosswalks%20Evaluation%20Process_Priority%20R.pdf](https://victoria.civicweb.net/FileStorage/10457596497F4E8E9C9F4F41C148283C-1_Amended_Crosswalks%20Evaluation%20Process_Priority%20R.pdf)

Decision support tools: https://victoria.civicweb.net/FileStorage/5B406E7AEA0D46D5AFFAC7D388C5A88D-2_Appendix%20A_AC%20Decision%20Support%20Tools_Preliminary.pdf

Priority Ranking Criteria: https://victoria.civicweb.net/FileStorage/D148B98F085E449B99421E7DADD1BE4E-3_Appendix%20B_City%20of%20Victoria%20Crosswalk%20Priority%20R.pdf

Priority Evaluation Form: https://victoria.civicweb.net/FileStorage/DAF691B5337A42D7B46673D3C6A731C8-4_Appendix%20C_City%20of%20Victoria%20Crosswalk%20Priority%20E.pdf

2. Look into delayed implementation of bylaws - a six month ‘grace/catchup period’

From the City Solicitor:

Mayor Helps,

With regard to “phased implementation” of bylaws, the default is that a bylaw comes into effect on date it is adopted. However, it is possible for a municipal bylaw to include a “commencement date” which provides for all or some of the bylaw provisions to come into force at a time other than on adoption. This could allow for delay before the bylaw (either in its entirety or parts of it) comes into force. This mechanism is most commonly used with transitional provisions, for example, we used it in 2012 when the new OCP bylaw was adopted to provide for “automatic” repeal of certain transitional provisions six months after adoption of the new OCP. It can also be done to delay introduction of new regulations, for example, the new skateboarding regulations were adopted in January but did not come into effect until February 1 to give staff time to prepare proper implementation of the new regulations. It could also be used for gradual introduction of new regulations.

3. Ask province to restore bus pass funding for persons with disabilities.

Council passed a motion requesting that the Province do this.

Items of interest to participants, links to share, etc

1. Bringing Water to Victoria: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OpcVj5Wq9oM>
2. Link to City of Victoria's Strategic Plan (note plan as amended in 2016 will be here shortly along with 2016 budget, once approved): <http://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/city/strategic-plan.html>
3. Victoria Transit, Transit Future Plan <http://bctransit.com/victoria/transit-future/victoria-transit-future-plan>
4. Conversations with Monuments www.conversationswithmonuments.com
5. Link to Ship's Point Design Competition: <http://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/departments/parks-rec-culture/parks/harbour-pathway/ship-point-pop-up-design-competition.html>

6. Link to City's Call for Youth to design youth engagement strategy (please spread the word!): <http://www.victoria.ca/EN/meta/news/news-archives/2016-archive/a-city-for-youth-designed-by-youth.html>

7. Sign up here for City's weekly e-newsletter: <http://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/community/e-newsletter.html>

The next Community Drop In is **Friday April 15, 11am-1pm**

2016 Drop In schedule is here and notes from previous Drop Ins can be found here as well:

<http://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/city/mayor-council-committees/mayor-lisa-helps/mayors-community-drop-in.html>

Thanks for participating in your community!

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“We’re all just walking each other home.” - Rumi