Streetscape Improvements for North Park Village Proposed

VICTORIA, BC — Residents are being asked to participate in the second community event and have their say about options for new medians, crosswalks, banners, wider sidewalks and placemaking elements on Cook Street between Pandora and Caledonia. Community members are being asked to attend an open house to share their feedback on September 15 in Franklin Green Park or in an online survey.

The concepts are the result of a co-designed, community workshop held earlier this spring to collect ideas on how to improve the streetscape along Cook Street from Pandora Avenue to Caledonia Avenue. The streetscape improvements will be combined and timed next year with a paving project to replace deteriorating asphalt.

Four design options provide choices that reflect the community’s feedback around movement (walk, bike, drive, ride, roll), street space (comfort, look, feel), village identity (brand, image) and business and social environment.

This initiative is the result of a complete streets collaboration between North Park Neighbourhood Association, the Greater Victoria Placemaking Network, and the Fernwood Community Association to find people-centred ways to improve North Park Village along Cook Street.

The community is invited to come share their thoughts on the possible improvements for Cook Street at an on-street open house on September 15.

Open House:
When: Tuesday, September 15, 2015
Where: Franklin Green Park, off Mason Street
Time: 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Email: engage@victoria.ca

To view the proposed improvements and to complete an online survey visit: haveyoursayvictoria.com/

The North Park neighbourhood is a diverse, mixed-income, mixed-use community adjacent to the City of Victoria’s downtown core. An area of about one square kilometre, the neighbourhood is bounded by Blanshard Street, Bay Street, Cook Street and Pandora Avenue, and is home to about 3,000 people and numerous vibrant businesses, services and recreational facilities.

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