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Subject: General Inquiry

From: **personal information**  
Email

Reference : <http://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/city/current-initiatives/ship-point-master-plan.html>

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I believe the new project is an excellent idea. It will give the public a comfortable venue from which to, some year, admire the new Johnson Street Bridge. An already internationally famous \$100M plus tax payer boondoggle. The most ill conceived, ill organized, poorly executed and over budget project in Victoria's history. I hope ex- Mayor Dean Fortin is being consulted for this project too...maybe we can set a new record of waste that will exceed the J-bridge fiasco.

Seriously....please, please, please do not put my kids and Grandkids further than necessary in debt. Make sure there is a modicum of experience among the contract negotiators. Let's not have companies who have negotiated thousands of contracts rubbing their outstretched hands anticipating giant contracts negotiated with neophytes in City Hall.

Sincerely,

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The Ship Point Master Plan boundary appears to include the hot dog stand at the east end of Ship Point and is shown as "vendor" on the plan.

I believe that small parcel is owned by GVHA so I'm curious, is the vendor property included in the plan and if so will the City be purchasing the parcel from GVHA?

Thanks.

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Great improvement over what is there now. Plan allows the following:

Nice walking path....ensure that like Vancouver's Interurban right of way down Arbutus that you divide it into bikes on one side and pedestrians on other or separate with grass physically....even better. Take a look at their efforts although perhaps a better surface than blacktop. Remember a dedicated route for elderly and their motorized sidewalk type vehicles.

Hot! Hot! Hot!....where are the trees! Add more trees to vast lawn areas....large in rear & bushes in front. Hot days often demand shade for those walking.

Need more to do for all ages. Easy to add using this plan.

- ...Add a super new type playground for the young.
- ...consider an activity center for a flea market for a day or two in winter and for summer months.
- ...Add sculptures for interest of adults and to encourage youth to enjoy artwork amongst trees. Encourages tourists to come downtown too. Great if along walkway especially if you curve or wind walkways.
- ...Have a couple of days for display of art work each week in summer
- ...Add more benches and seats for the elderly and couples
- ...Add seats and picnic tables for families to enjoy the water views....near edge of water. They buy food at trucks and then sit on benches near water. Super, super!
- ...area for boat rentals
- ...harbor ferry landing area for sure

Think concept is fantastic but just need to make use of open area so it becomes a real people place for all ages!

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Marinas all require service areas.

Why not have some Indian input. For instance, take the type of gathering place the museum showed where there is a dome of grass with a lowered open area for people below. Still keeps grassy area but adds interest. One or a few of these could add services for people for marine necessities, headquarters for sewage pump out of boats and for arranging such, docking station for fee payment, arranging moorage in another, first aid station. Another could contain tickets, tourist reps etc. Harbort Alr terminal could have been contained in one although guess a floating one is a good idea as adds area. Perhaps bring back the Macdonald's barge and face facts that people like things like that! It is still around looking for a home.

Has an expo history too which could be displayed.

Why not a few totems and info. on where and when such abodes or gathering areas were used.

Why let Alaska advertise and use totems extensively when they had none....but bought some from a worlds fair!!! We should patent their use for our tourism. However, we must have a number of areas for display....more than we have now.

**From:** [personal information](#)  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 23, 2017 7:49 PM  
**To:** Joaquin Karakas <[JKarakas@victoria.ca](mailto:JKarakas@victoria.ca)>  
**Subject:** Ship Point re: Amphitheatre Proposal

At the info session I told you the BEST AMPHITHEATRE I have seen exists in OWEN SOUND, ON (200 km north of Toronto on Georgian Bay, Lake Huron) at Kelso Beach Park. It is the main concert venue for the annual Summerfolk music festival, currently in its 42nd year. Sited lakeside, it is acoustically and functionally impressive accommodating several hundred viewers, in a man-made earthenware bowl with a flat area in front of the stage and about 30 tiers retained by hewn stone blocks. Possible further info from Summerfolk organizers or your colleagues at the town hall.

Let me throw out a few other ideas for the Ship Point proposal:

Revenue- purpose-designed space in the proposed building would make a premier event/ bridal reception venue for rental income.

How about some sort of slow moving electric-powered train-type vehicle to take people from the inner harbour wall to the north end of the site? ( golf cart pulling "cars" )

Fun aspects: some sort of slide from Wharf St to the bottom. Some kiddie attractions.

I'm on the mailing list. Thanks, [personal information](#)

**From:** [personal information](#)  
**Sent:** Monday, July 24, 2017 3:05 PM

**To:** Joaquin Karakas <[JKarakas@victoria.ca](mailto:JKarakas@victoria.ca)>

**Subject:** Ship's Point Redevelopment

Hello Joaquin,

Thanks again for taking the time to speak with me during the Ship's Point community session this weekend. Our biggest concern with the current plan is that it seems like there are a number of good ideas that need some finessing. There are a number of positives, the staircase is great and the pavilion at the top of the stairs is great. I mentioned to you that it would be great to mirror the pavilion with another one on the other side of the staircase and if those spaces could be outfitted for restaurants with outdoor patios, it would really liven up the space.

A good example of what I think could be achieved is the Cactus Club restaurant in English Beach in Vancouver. I've attached an image for you.

There's a concern that the function space / parking lot is really a dead space that is not being activated by the current plan. I believe there is a need to extend retail into that space. You had mentioned there may be options for semi-permanent or mobile retail to avoid the construction costs and the issues with the stability of the soil. My only point is that when people are currently walking in the harbour, they get to Nathan's hot dog shop and go no further because there really is no reason or no draw to go any further. There needs to be a draw to walk through that dead space.

There could be some great opportunities for some interesting public art that could get the attention of passersby. I had mentioned to you the Barrie, Ontario had a good example of this. I know that in Victoria, we always have a need to pay respects to the indigenous community here. Perhaps a large statue, like the attached Barrie example would be an idea to consider. If it is interesting and large enough to see from the Inn at Laurel Point or the area in Vic West, near where the new marina is going in, it could become another attraction that people will need to see up close and take a photo with. That will push walkers to get over near Red Fish Blue Fish. There are some kinetic wind sculpture designers that have some really interesting art that moves with the wind but most of these are chromed sculptures so you get the light effect when it is moving in the wind. With the working harbour and planes coming in, a chrome sculpture wouldn't work. I think you get the point though with the Barrie example.

There is a great opportunity with the sloped landscaping to do something creative with a water feature that could meander through the slope. If you break up the grass patches with some water flow, it may help deter the homeless from camping here. Choosing the right slope grade will also help.

Brisbane's Southbank is another great example of a mixed-use space outside of downtown that has been really successful. I've attached an image of the trellis that is used for flowers along

their paths. If there was ever an example of getting the project right, Southbank is rear perfection and is loved by the city. Something like this would look great in downtown Victoria, since we are the city of flowers. It would be great to have a series of benches along the waterfront and a nice meandering walkway wrapped in flowers. Perhaps some very large, oversized plant pots would be interesting, if they were large enough so that they looked like they came straight from Alice in Wonderland.

The urban beach is a great idea but not for this project. Both Brisbane (Southbank) and Toronto (Cherry Beach) have urban beaches that are great attractions but in our case in Victoria, the location in this plan isn't great and the space dedicated to the beach is too small. It is also right near a seaplane terminal that will kick-up sand. It could be a really great idea for the Ogden point redevelopment.

Having a planning background, this project interests me. If you happen to be holding any further design charrettes to work out solution or additional ideas, I would love to join. Thanks for allowing our input nonetheless.

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I live in Scotland and am an intermittent but at least yearly visitor to Victoria. Your plan looks to be most imaginative. One thing I have noticed is that I, like many visitors hug the harbour area - something to encourage people like us to drift into downtown would no doubt be good for local business - perhaps link these ideas in with the bridge development scheme in a sort of "experience Victoria" walk with some sort of signage of various landmarks (I know there is some but it's a bit old fashioned).

Good luck with the project

**From:** personal information  
**Sent:** Friday, July 28, 2017 8:10 PM  
**To:** Engagement <[engage@victoria.ca](mailto:engage@victoria.ca)>  
**Subject:** General Inquiry - Follow-up

Attention Rebecca Penz.

I did receive a phone call from someone in the Planning Dept. this morning and they passed on this email address and your name. I sent my comments on July 9 (see below) and never received call or anything meaningful back except an acknowledgment. After seeing the news clip on CHEK 6 where they provided the link to the online survey, I filled that out with my comments below plus some additional thoughts but the online form is anonymous (which is stupid; you should at least have the option to ID yourself for a call back).

I am now really tweaked. I take the time to provide feedback and voice my concerns and all I get is acknowledgment that you received them and no one calls or responds. That is a huge disconnect because I don't know if you read my concerns or discussed them or anything. My perception is that this is just a public relations exercise so you can say you solicited feedback. I hope that is not the case but in the absence of a callback, perception becomes reality. I have heard in the past re. other projects and on this occasion that you get so many responses that you don't have time to call back each one. That is too bad but if you are going to propose these projects then resource them approximately. You need to be seen to be listening and taking people's concerns into account or you might as well as ram through the projects and save the time and effort soliciting feedback.

In case you don't bother checking my "anonymous" feedback, I added the following to what I wrote below (based on memory because I couldn't for didn't know how to keep a copy):

- Acknowledge and consult the immediate residents in the vicinity of Ship Pt. – Laurel Pt is directly across from Ship Pt. and I can damn near hear someone sneeze on the dock – there is not one word about residents mentioned in the 2 lengthy pdf's (that I could see) – I live here and the current number of festivals is already past my tolerance levels re. loud music
- An awful lot of parking is being scrapped – so where are the tourists and people living outside the core going to park – I'm sorry, I forgot, they'll ride the non-existent commuter rail and walk across the bridge that has no rail or they'll ride their bikes that they have packed with them as they visit or they will try to drive/park to a downtown on congested, narrowed roads the city no longer wants to use for cars just bikes – build some replacement parking either underground or very nearby and provide a means to get to it – make the site work and accessible for cars, buses and racks for bikes
- Consider a better use for some of the property along the lines of a home for the BC Maritime Museum – we have rich maritime history; what better place to showcase it – partner with the province and/or feds to fund it or at least in the short term, make provision for a site pending funding/planning
- And finally let's not appropriate another culture's language/heritage to describe a simple meeting place area (matoolia) – use simple language where I don't have to google a word to see the true meaning – the use of that word borders on being pretentious unless the

concept was proposed by the indigenous community themselves (in which case acknowledge that so people don't get the wrong impression)

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PS I am not generally available today but next week works well if someone wants to discuss

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**Sent:** July 11, 2017 10:07 AM

**To:** personal information

**Subject:** General Inquiry

*Called July 27/17 to follow-up on why I have not had any call back on my concerns. Left message.*

Thank you for contacting the City of Victoria. Your email has been forwarded to the Planning Department.

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I would like to provide some feedback on the Ship Pt. Master Plan. I generally support the plans (per the pdf's) and most of the various options look great. I have 2 main concerns given the following background. I live directly across from Ship Point in the Laurel Pt. area and I walk the Inner Harbour through to the end of Ship Pt. dock every day.

I have been exposed to live, amplified festival music such as Ska, Blues Bash and other single evening events such as Dragon Boats and even Swiftsure for many years now and it is only in the past few years that the City has appeared to start to control the volume and the shutdown times. I LIVE here and the idea that the plan contemplates "year round festivals" leaves me cold. You need to address the noise level limits and reassure residents that greater monitoring and limits will be set. 90 dBA is far too loud and even 10:00 pm shutdowns impinge on MY quality of life when I can't enjoy my balcony and have to close the double glazed patio windows in summer to barely hear the TV. And you want to increase the number of events! Get real.

Please at least acknowledge the people who live here in the plan re. likely negative impacts (and some positives to be fair) and mitigate them accordingly. Get the limit down to 75 or 80 dBA max and the shutdowns down to 9 during the week and 10 on weekends and please don't turn Ship Pt into an amplified Mardi Gras every night during the summer.

And second, whatever option (s) is chosen please don't impinge my access to the end of the dock/walkway for walking which has happened during Ska and Canada 150 and other events. Make provision for a corridor to walk past secured tents etc. Many people/tourist walk the Harbour and provision must be made to keep in fully open during festival and the eventual construction.

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**From:** Gail Tyshynski [<mailto:gtyshynski@DIRTT.net>]

**Sent:** Monday, Jul 31, 2017 1:38 PM

**To:** Robert Batallas

**Subject:** FW: Ship Point development

Hi Robert,

I attended the open house to view the exciting plans for the Ship Point area. I appreciated your thorough talk about the challenges of the space and finally understand the limitations of the space.

What an amazing opportunity for the city! There are many individuals like myself who will travel to a city – simply to see a unique piece of architecture or key art exhibit. Local examples are the art gallery in Edmonton and the new Audain Gallery in Whistler. I have made a special trip to both places just to see them.

I entered a comments on the web site but wanted to send along the attached ideas as well.

After a very thorough review I believe that a combination of the 3 solutions would bring the best of each together.

I have sketched an idea for your review. The other attachment is an article about the Museum of Art + Architecture in Lisbon.

What a beautiful building and intriguing idea of walking on the roof line.

It would be a huge attraction if within the buildings you are considering you created a rotating gallery to display works from the Art Gallery of Victoria. I have so often been asked by visitors

where the Art Gallery is only to hear them decide not to go visit because it is out of the city core.

I look forward to seeing the ideas develop and a new vision created for this space.

I would be very interested in volunteering on any committee organized for this project.

Warm Regards, Gail

Gail Tyshynski  
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