

Targeted OCP Review

Continuation of White Papers,
& Social Equity Lens Paper
February 9, 2021

Project Scope & Final Outcomes



SCOPE

TARGETED REVIEW

Targeted review of four topic areas

- *understanding issues and opportunities*
- *developing actions to implement the OCP's vision*

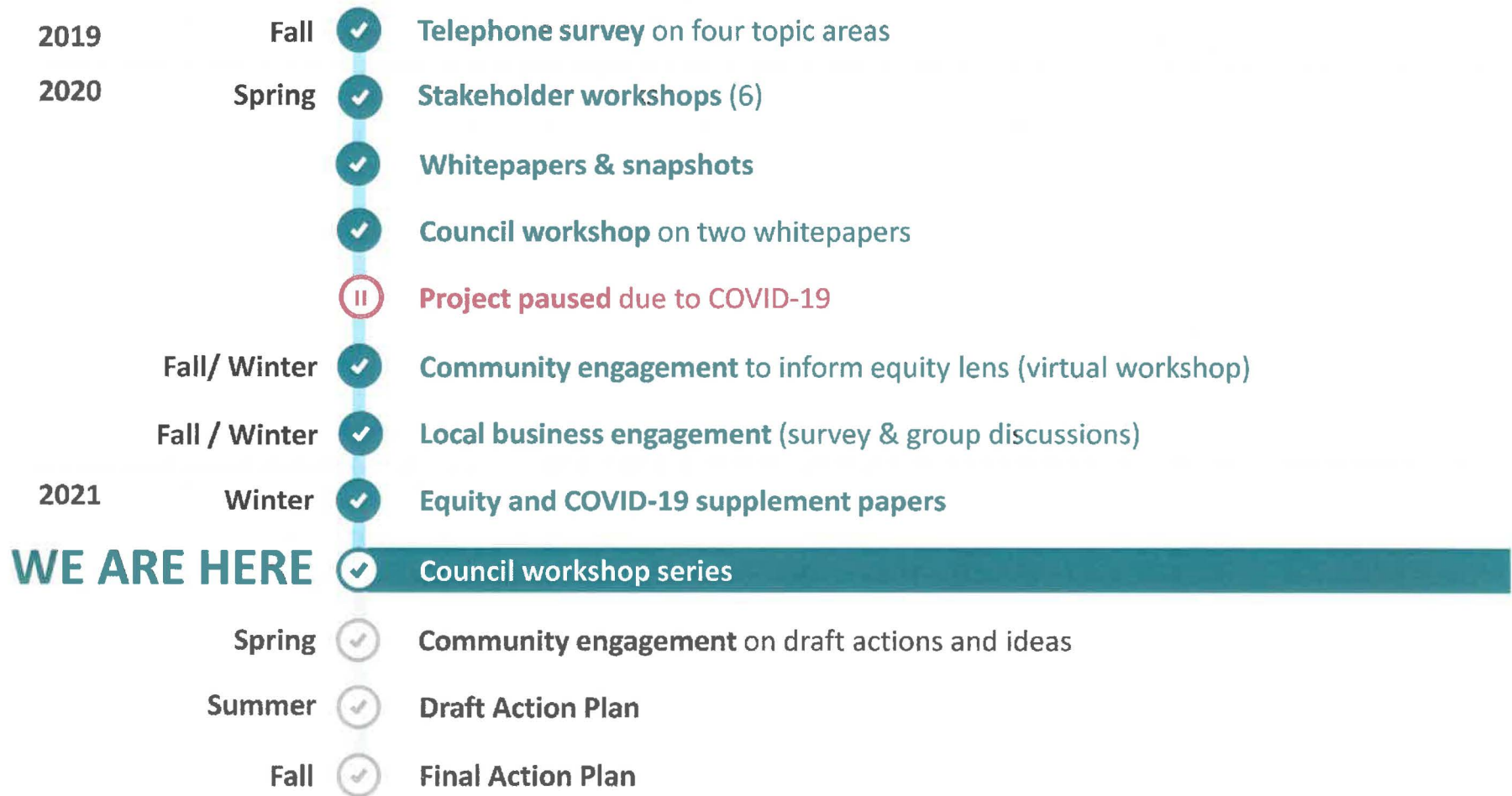
OUTCOMES

ACTION PLAN

Actions to support the 2011 OCP vision & goals

- *within today's context*
- *emerging issues, challenges, and current trends*

Process



Workshop Series

WORKSHOP 1 – February 1



Transportation

Refresher & COVID-19 Supplement Paper



Economy & Employment Lands

Refresher & COVID-19 Supplement Paper



Climate Emergency

White Paper & COVID-19 Supplement Paper

WORKSHOPS 3 & 4

***Draft actions toward developing
a draft Action Plan***

Facilitated discussions

WORKSHOP 2 - TODAY (February 9)



Housing

White Paper & COVID-19 Supplement Paper



Social Equity Lens Paper

The background of the slide is a photograph of a scenic landscape. In the foreground, there is a calm body of water reflecting the sky and the surrounding environment. In the middle ground, a long, low building with a light-colored facade and a series of windows is situated on a grassy bank. Behind the building, a dense forest of tall evergreen trees rises up a hill. The sky is blue with scattered white clouds. The overall scene is peaceful and natural.

WHITE PAPERS



OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN HOUSING GOALS

Encourage and enable a diverse mix of housing type, tenure and affordability to accommodate the lifestyles and needs of people at all stages of life.

Foster a safe, socially inclusive and supportive community that enhances the health and well-being of all residents.



HOUSING

- Progress since 2011
- Key issues
- What is causing these issues?
- How is this topic related to the others?
- What will make a difference?
- Questions

Residents and businesses are concerned about the lack of affordable housing and housing diversity.

" I grew up in North Vancouver and wanted to stay, but it was too expensive.

" I live with six friends in a two-bedroom house in Lynn Creek. It's the only way I can afford rent. We'll probably have to move soon as our house will be knocked down for new development. Not sure what I'll do next.



COVID-19 IMPACTS

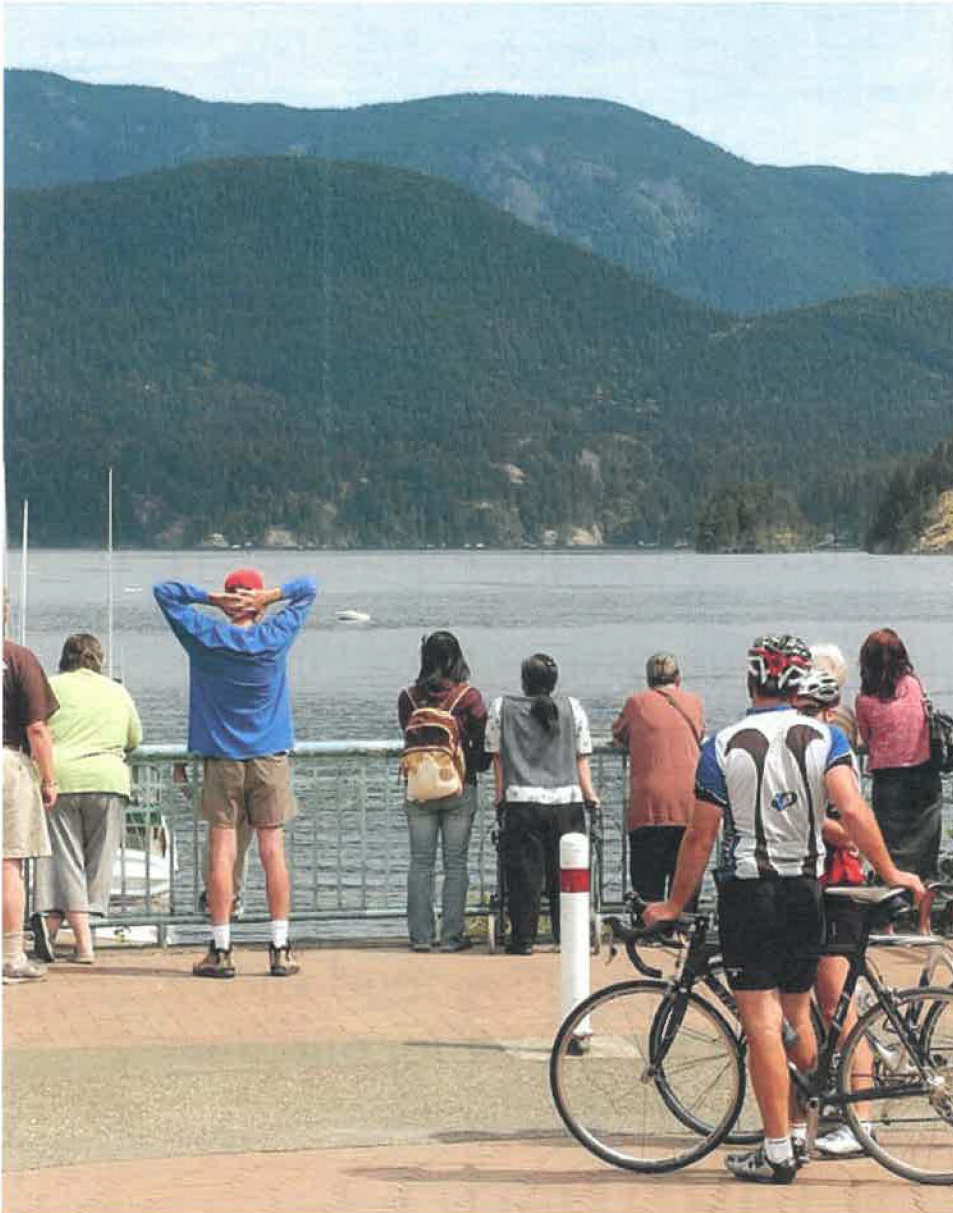
- How has COVID-19 changed actions that will advance the District's OCP goals?
- Immediate Impacts & Lessons Learned
- Pandemic Response
- Longer-Term Key Trends & Emerging Issues

COVID-19: Key Impacts on Housing

- Increased housing insecurity among vulnerable groups
- Demand for affordable housing likely to grow as COVID-19 income assistance benefits cease
- Disproportionate health impacts faced by low-income multi-generational and larger households
- Growing awareness of housing vulnerabilities across the development industry

COVID-19 Impact on Potential Housing Actions

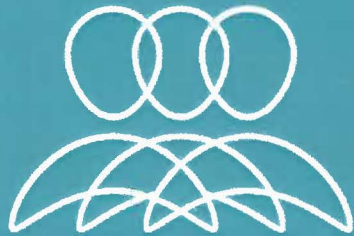
- Demand for adequate and affordable housing units, especially for equity priority groups
 - Including long-term care facilities, supportive and emergency housing
- Additional supports needed to offset job losses
 - (e.g., income assistance and affordable housing options)
- Need for diversified housing supply in urban cores
 - (e.g., size, form, tenure)
- Opportunities to secure funding for affordable housing projects



OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN SOCIAL WELL-BEING OBJECTIVE

Foster a safe, socially inclusive and supportive community that enhances the health and well-being of all residents.

Provide infrastructure to support community health, safety, and economic prosperity, and facilities that enhance recreational opportunities, cultural activity and artistic expression.



SOCIAL EQUITY

- What is social equity and what are some key concepts?
- What are equity priority groups and what challenges may they be facing in the District?
- How is this topic related to the other OCP focus areas?
- How can social equity be integrated into municipal governance?


Equity Priority Groups

- Gender and sexuality: women & 2SLGBTQIA+
- Individuals with extended care needs: seniors, people with disabilities, mental illness and/or who use substances
- People experiencing or at-risk of homelessness
- Low-income households
- Black, Indigenous, People of Colour (BIPOC)
- Lone parent households

Social Equity and OCP Topic Areas

- Informed by GBA+ Framework and District's Social Services Stakeholder Workshop (December 2020)

- Multiple trips, at extended hours
 - Complete, walkable neighbourhoods
 - Well-connected and safe travel corridors
 - Snow removal and maintenance of inner roads
 - Accessible services
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- Housing affordability and transportation
 - People with lived and living experience (barriers to finding employment)
 - Childcare opportunities
 - Service and care sectors
 - Accessibility: workplace
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- Support development of emergency shelters
 - Economic incentives/grants for purchasing sustainable technologies
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- Transitional and supportive housing
 - Larger, more affordable homes
 - Proximity to services
 - Access to green space
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Ongoing Equity Reflection Questions for Decision Makers

- Who is benefitting from an action?
- Who may be excluded from those benefits?
- What may be some unintended consequences action?
- Have we consulted those who are most likely impacted?
- What knowledge or resources do we need to increase our capacity to integrate equity into our processes?

NEXT STEPS

Next in Workshop Series

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Draft actions toward developing a draft Action Plan

Facilitated discussions