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

2019
Fall  ✔  Telephone survey on four topic areas

2020
Spring  ✔  Stakeholder workshops (6)
       ✔  Whitepapers & snapshots
       ✔  Council workshop on two whitepapers
       ❌  Project paused due to COVID-19

Fall / Winter  ✔  Community engagement to inform equity lens (virtual workshop)

Fall / Winter  ✔  Local business engagement (survey & group discussions)

2021
Winter  ✔  Equity and COVID-19 supplement papers

WE ARE HERE  ✔  Council workshop series

Spring  ✔  Community engagement on draft actions and ideas
Summer  ✔  Draft Action Plan
Fall  ✔  Final Action Plan
**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
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.
- 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."
• 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 IMPACTS
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
  o Including long-term care facilities, supportive and emergency housing

• Additional supports needed to offset job losses
  o (e.g., income assistance and affordable housing options)

• Need for diversified housing supply in urban cores
  o (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.
• 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)

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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

WORKSHOPS 3 & 4

Draft actions toward developing a draft Action Plan
Facilitated discussions