

TARGETED OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN REVIEW: DRAFT ACTION PLAN

Council Workshop July 12, 2021





BACKGROUND | TARGETED OCP REVIEW (2019-2011)

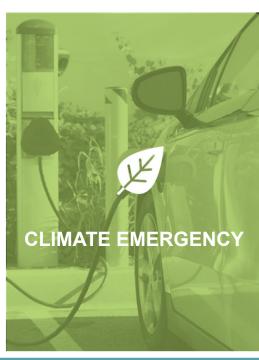


TOPIC AREAS











SOCIAL EQUITY



GOALS



- Safe, efficient and accessible network of pedestrian, bike and road ways
- Enable viable alternatives to the car
- Effective and coordinated land use and transportation planning.



- Diverse mix of housing type, tenure, and affordability
- Accommodate the lifestyles and needs of people at all stages of life



 Diverse and resilient local economy that provides quality employment opportunities



- Energy-efficient community
- Reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and dependency on nonrenewable fuels
- Adapting to climate change



SOCIAL WELL-BEING

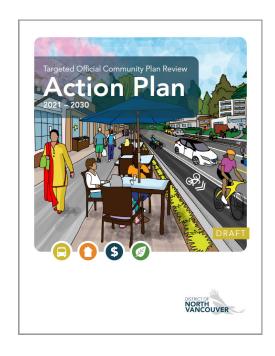
Safe, socially inclusive and supportive community

Enhances health and well-being of all residents





TIMELINE



Council endorsed Targeted OCP Review 2019 Spring **Sidewalk Intercept Surveys** Summer Telephone Survey on four topic Fall 2020 Spring **Stakeholder Workshops** (6) White Papers & Snapshots **Council Workshop** on two White Papers Project Paused due to COVID-19 Fall/ Winter Community Engagement to inform Equity Lens (Virtual Workshop) Local Business Engagement (Survey & Group Fall / Winter Discussions) 2021 **Equity and COVID-19 Supplement Papers** Winter **Council Workshop Series** Spring **Community Engagement** on Draft Actions and Ideas Spring **Draft Action Plan WE ARE HERE Final Action Plan** Fall



PROCESS

PUBLIC & STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

- Sidewalk intercept survey
- Telephone survey
- Stakeholder workshops
- Business survey
- Council workshops
- Social media & communications materials
- Virtual open houses
- Online survey

RESEARCH & ANALYSIS

- White papers on the four topic areas
- COVID-19 papers on four key topic areas
- Social Equity Lens paper

ACTION PLAN

- ★ Council Workshop on WE ARE HERE draft Action Plan
- If referred to Council: consideration of Action Plan this fall



2021 PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT | COMMUNICATION

- North Shore News ads
- Postcards mailed to every address
- 80+ signs installed
- Social media posts
- Email updates
- Website









2021 PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT | VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSES

- 5 virtual open houses in May 2021
 - 4 for public
 - 1 for local non-profits and social service providers
- 132 total participants
- About ¾ of participants live in the District.
 Remainder work in or visit the District.

What we heard:



- Trail upgrades
- Upgrade cycling & electric vehicle charging facilities
- Improve connections between municipalities



- Housing security for renters
- More rental, social, and supportive housing options
- Missing middle housing



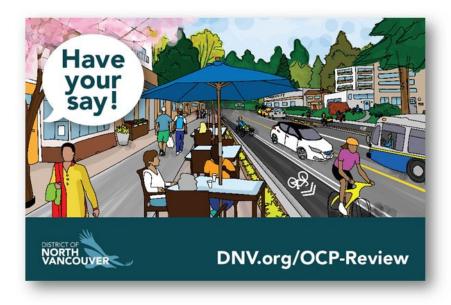
- Expediting development review processes
- Industrial space needs



- Green building incentives
- Improved reporting practices
- Stormwater integration and creekside management
- Stricter regulations on single use plastics



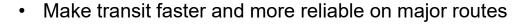
- 1,355 respondents
- Online survey April 26-May 16, 2021 open for three weeks.
- Mix of multiple choice, rating, and open-ended questions on the four topic areas.
- Who we heard from
 - People living and working across the District
 - A range of ages
 - A range of incomes



Postcard



Priority Actions







 Advocate for infrastructure and service improvements, such as rapid transit, to get our key transportation networks moving better









Create continuous and connected network of walking and cycling routes







 Increase housing diversity to support a range of incomes, household types, and accessibility needs



 Simplify and speed up the housing development approvals process to open new homes more quickly



Reduce greenhouse gas emissions from buildings to reduce our environmental impact





Top 3 Highest Priority Actions

Local business community's input on economy and employment lands actions

Business owners within the District

- Advocate for Provincial assessment review and tax reform to address rising costs faced by businesses
- Pursue more flexible and responsive zoning to support a thriving economy
- Respond to local business needs quickly to be more business-friendly

Workers within the District

- Pursue more flexible and responsive zoning to support a thriving economy
- Increase supports for local workers
- Protect industrial land uses to ensure long-term viability







ACTION PLAN ICONS: EXAMPLE

PRIORITY ACTION #3

Prioritize rental, social, and supportive housing projects to increase the range of housing options

Contributes to Goals

Trajectory Stage

District's Role

Cost











Accelerate

Through formalization and expansion of existing programs



Partner





EVALUATION OF ACTIONS

Contribution to Goals

The impact that an action is expected to have on achieving the goal.



Little to no impact



Small impact



Moderate impact



Large impact



EVALUATION OF ACTIONS

Trajectory Stage

Identifies the trajectory of each action to meet the OCP goals.







District's Role

The District's role and resulting level of control in achieving the results of the action.









EVALUATION OF ACTIONS

Cost

The cost to implement the action is estimated for the remainder of the OCP.

Quick Win

These activities can be implemented by the District within the first 18 months of the Action Plan.

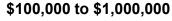




No cost to the District



(e.g. plan or policy development, etc.)



(e.g. smaller capital works, ongoing, etc.)

\$1,000,000 to \$10,000,000

(e.g. ongoing capital works, larger projects, new long-term staff)

\$10,000,000 or more

(e.g. major capital works, substantial ongoing programs)





8 PRIORITY ACTIONS

- 1. Achieve Town and Village Centres that deliver low-carbon, compact and diverse housing, transportation choices, and supportive public amenities and employment space.
- 2. Advocate for infrastructure and service improvements, such as Rapid Transit, to get our key transportation networks moving better.
- 3. Prioritize rental, social, and supportive housing projects to increase the range of housing options.
- 4. Make transit faster and more reliable on our major routes.



8 PRIORITY ACTIONS

- 5. Increase housing diversity to support a range of incomes, household types, and accessibility needs within and close to Town and Village Centres.
- 6. Create a continuous and connected network of walking and cycling routes to encourage more people of all ages and abilities to walk and cycle.
- 7. Strengthen the resiliency of natural and built environments to adapt to a changing climate.
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions from buildings, transportation, and waste to address the climate emergency.



IMPLEMENTING LENSES



Include social equity considerations in District decision-making to strive for a more inclusive and equitable community.



Include climate change considerations in decision-making to increase the District's climate leadership.



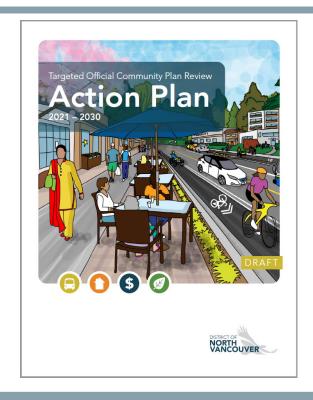
ACTION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

- Next 9 years to 2030
- How it will be implemented:
 - by the District directly;
 - through partnerships; or
 - via advocacy from the District.
- Policies and plans to capital investment in infrastructure.

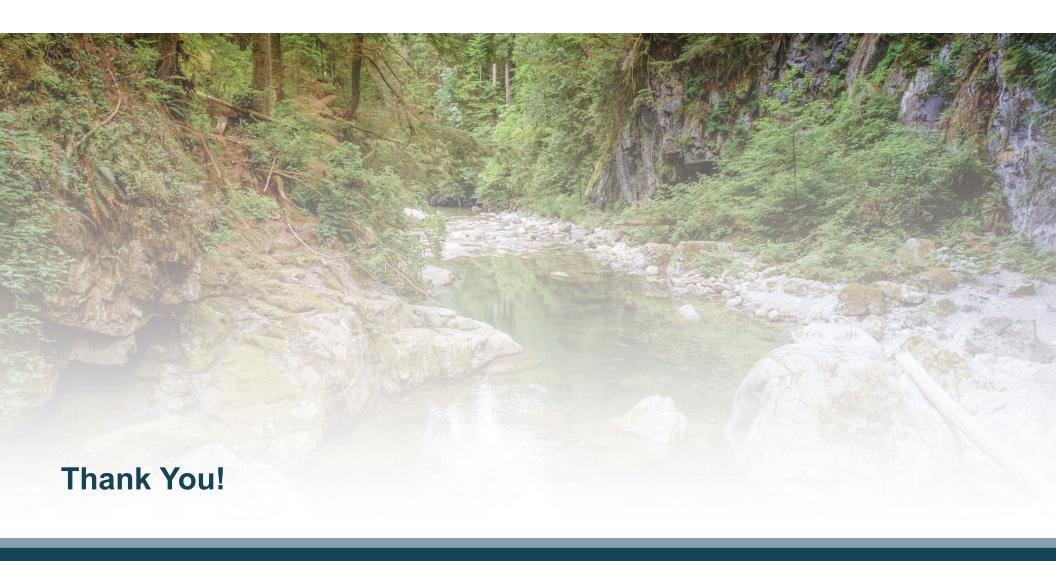


RECOMMENDATIONS

- To support the Action Plan
- To refer it to a Regular Meeting of Council for consideration of the Action Plan









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- 1. Improve ways to manage parking.
- 2. Optimize use of curbside space to support access to businesses.
- 3. Explore alternative housing tenures and needs to offer more diverse housing choices.
- 4. Incorporate tools and incentives to support local employment opportunities.
- 5. Adopt a "Vision Zero" approach to increase travel safety.
- 6. Create an economic stewardship staff resource to support a sustainable and diverse local economy.



- 7. Harness emerging technology for new ways of moving around.
- 8. Support remote work options to reduce commute trips, congestion, and parking needs.
- 9. Advocate for Provincial assessment review and tax reform to address rising costs faced by businesses.
- Advocate for the District's social and supportive housing needs to deliver housing.
- 11. Bolster the District's capacity to achieve housing goals.
- 12. Consider opportunities to increase housing diversity beyond the Town and Village Centres.



- 13. Increase supports for local workers.
- 14. Protect industrial land uses to ensure long-term viability.
- 15. Pursue more flexible and responsive zoning to support a thriving local economy.
- 16. Simplify and speed up the housing development approvals process to open new homes more quickly.
- 17. Support education and promotion to encourage walking, rolling, cycling, and taking transit.



- 18. Support renters through policy and zoning to increase stability for renters.
- 19.Advocate for greater inter-governmental coordination and action to address the Climate Emergency.
- 20. Respond to local business needs quickly to be more business-friendly.
- 21. Support education and promotion of climate action in homes and businesses to increase community involvement.



- Conduct a Development Approvals Program review to capture a streamlined and consistent Town and Village Centres approval process that prioritizes and incentivizes development that is aligned with the District's goals.
- Focusing on Town and Village Centres, continue to explore incentives and policies that achieve the District's housing goals, and clearly communicate these programs and policies.
- Continue advocating for rapid transit to and within the North Shore as part of Transport 2050, Metro Vancouver's Regional Transportation Plan, which is being completed by TransLink.



- Formalize incentive programs for rental, social, and supportive housing development in Town and Village Centres, to ensure new housing is close to jobs and transit.
- Conduct land economics review to inform policy development for density bonusing and/or inclusionary zoning in Town and Village Centres, to provide incentives to deliver affordable housing.
- Work with Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MoTI) to provide a direct bus connection from Phibbs Exchange to the Ironworkers Memorial Bridge as part of the improvements to the Main Street interchange.



- Focusing on Town and Village Centres, formalize and communicate incentive programs
 that achieve the District's housing goals by leveraging market development. Review and
 streamline development approvals processes and approve developments that meet the
 District's goals across all topic areas.
- Highlight developments in Town and Village Centres and identify added public benefits and amenities. Communicate the benefits of housing diversity, and public amenities delivered by housing developments (see also supporting action #3).
- Launch the North Shore e-bike share program to help access employment areas and Town and Village Centres.
- Lynn Valley Road (Mountain Highway to Peters Road): Corridor upgrades include bus stop improvements, cycling facilities, intersection upgrades at Allan Road.
- Lions Gate Village to City of North Vancouver border Cycling Route along Tatlow and W.
 15th Street.



- Begin implementing the North Shore Sea Level Rise Strategy by developing a Coastal Development Permit Area.
- Complete the Integrated Storm Water Management plans and continue to implement them.
- Upgrade facilities to improve community resilience to climate events and natural disasters (e.g., extreme heat events, poor air quality, storm events) by implementing the Strategic Facilities Planning Framework.
- Implement new requirements for the updated BC Energy Step Code requirements.
- Expand program to provide incentives and support for home heating fuel source switching "Jump on a New Heat Pump".



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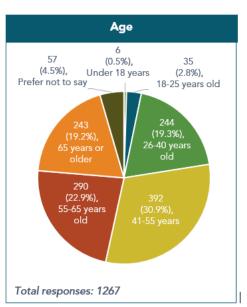
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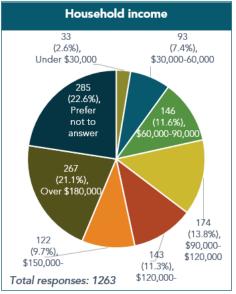


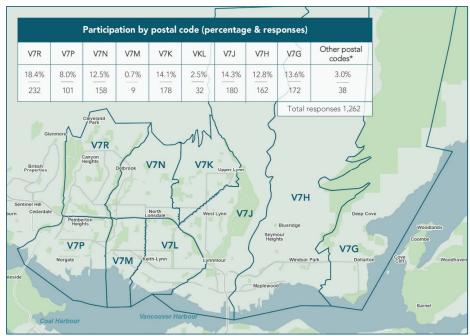
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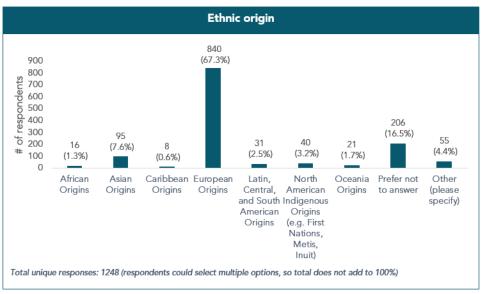


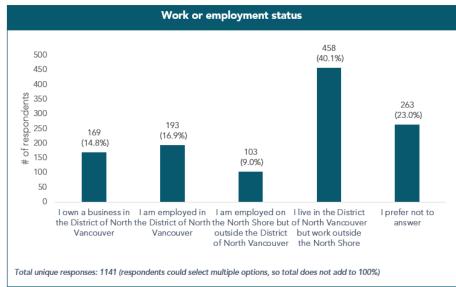




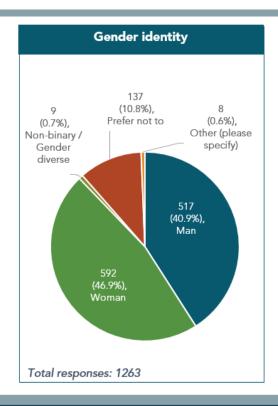


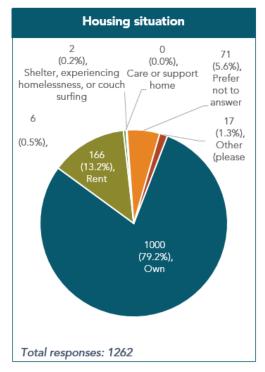


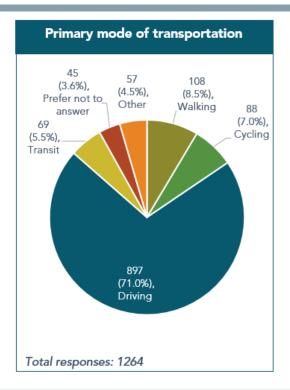














Top 3 Highest Priority Actions



- Make transit faster and more reliable on major routes
- Advocate for infrastructure and service improvements to get our key transportation networks moving better
- Create continuous and connected network of walking/cycling routes



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