



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AGENDA**

Monday, January 8, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Meeting held electronically and open to public attendance

Council Chamber, City Hall

We recognize and respect that New Westminster is on the unceded and unsurrendered land of the Halkomelem speaking peoples. We acknowledge that colonialism has made invisible their histories and connections to the land. As a City, we are learning and building relationships with the people whose lands we are on.

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Mayor will open the meeting and provide a land acknowledgement.

2. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Urgent/time sensitive matters only

3. CONSENT AGENDA

If Council decides, all the recommendations in the reports on the Consent Agenda can be approved in one motion, without discussion. If Council wishes to discuss a report, that report is removed from the Consent Agenda. A report may be removed in order to discuss it, because someone wants to vote against the report’s recommendation, or because someone has a conflict of interest with the report. Any reports not removed from the Consent Agenda are passed without discussion.

Recommendation:

THAT Council adopt the recommendations for items # on consent.

3.1 Construction Noise Bylaw Variance Request: Metro Vancouver Front Street Pressure Sewer - Manhole Abandonments

To request that Council grant a construction noise exemption from the Construction Noise Bylaw No. 6063, 1992 to Metro Vancouver and its

contractor RAM Consulting from Monday, January 15, 2024 to Thursday, February 29, 2024 (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, or Statutory Holidays). This work will include excavation, welding of pressure hatches, manhole casting removal, and paving/road restoration along Front Street.

Recommendation:

THAT Council grant a Construction Noise exemption to Metro Vancouver and its contractor RAM Consulting from Construction Noise Bylaw No. 6063, 1992 from Monday, January 15, 2024 to Thursday, February 29, 2024 from 8:00 PM to 7:00 AM (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, or Statutory Holidays) for construction activity related to maintenance/repair of manhole abandonments from 300 Front Street to 700 Front Street.

4. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK TO COUNCIL – 7:00 PM

4.1 Presentation: Fraserside Community Services Society

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4.2 Open Delegations

5. SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY - 8:00 PM

5.1 Break (15 minutes)

6. MOTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

6.1 Motions for Discussion and Decision

a. Call for a Ceasefire in Gaza

Submitted by Councillor Nakagawa

WHEREAS human rights groups such as Save the Children, Doctors Without Borders and the United Nations have cited growing atrocities in Israel and Gaza including the deaths of many civilians, including children; and

WHEREAS the City of New Westminster condemns the rising incidences of anti-Semitism and Islamophobia in our communities; and

WHEREAS the City of New Westminster stands up strongly for human rights everywhere

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of New Westminster write a letter to the Prime Minister urging the Canadian government to immediately:

- Call for a ceasefire
- Support unrestricted access to humanitarian aid

- Secure the release of all hostages.

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

9. **END OF THE MEETING**

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REPORT

Climate Action, Planning and Development

To: Mayor Johnstone and Members of Council
Date: January 8, 2024

From: Serena Trachta, Acting Director
Climate Action, Planning and Development
File: Doc#2420652

Item #: 2024-10

Subject: **Construction Noise Bylaw Variance Request: Metro Vancouver Front Street Pressure Sewer - Manhole Abandonments**

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PURPOSE

To request that Council grant a construction noise exemption from the Construction Noise Bylaw No. 6063, 1992 to Metro Vancouver and its contractor RAM Consulting from Monday, January 15, 2024 to Thursday, February 29, 2024 (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, or Statutory Holidays). This work will include excavation, welding of pressure hatches, manhole casting removal, and paving/road restoration along Front Street.

BACKGROUND

Metro Vancouver plans for and delivers regional utility services, including water, sewer and drainage, and solid waste management to multiple lower mainland communities including approximately 2.6 million people. The Front street sewer brings wastewater from the Sapperton pump station to the McNeely chamber at the intersection of Front Street and Columbia Street in New Westminster. Recent upgrades to the pump station

have increased its capacity to accommodate regional growth. The existing maintenance holes along Front Street need to be upgraded to allow the pump station to operate at full capacity. The work cannot be done during the daytime service as it requires Metro Vancouver's Sapperton Pump Station to be turned off.

ANALYSIS

Metro Vancouver will be conducting maintenance and repair work of manhole abandonments on Front Street. This will include excavating of the asphalt and road base around the manhole cover. The manhole castings need to be removed to allow for flat surface after restoration and to avoid having to return to maintain the manhole covers in the future. Paving/restoration means filling holes from the manhole casting removal. The equipment that will be used to perform these duties will be backhoes and other hand tools.

This work is weather dependent and cannot be completed in the rain. The request to Council has included extra days to allow for the possibility of inclement weather.

The work must be performed at night as Metro Vancouver's Sapperton Pump Station needs to be turned off and this cannot be done during the daytime service.

Some noise disruption is expected but it will be minimal. The contractor has agreed to implement the following mitigation method:

- Ensure all equipment is in good operating order.
- Operate equipment at minimum engine speeds consistent with effective operation.
- Educate and supervise construction personnel to ensure potential noises are minimized.
- Avoid unnecessary idling, revving, and use of airbrakes and banging of tail gates.
- Turn off equipment when not in use.
- Consider use of alternative back-up warning systems such as white noise reversing alarms instead of tonal beepers.
- Locate stationary noise generating equipment as far away as possible from noise sensitive receivers.
- Schedule construction activities and limit equipment usage times to minimize noise, especially during nighttime hours and near sensitive receivers.
- Have a night time contact person available to respond to any calls from affected residents.

This project is intentionally timed to coincide with the closure of Front Street for the Patullo Bridge Replacement (PBR) Project. As such, staff do not expect any significant transportation impacts resulting from Metro Vancouver's project. If the PBR project

timeline changes, Metro Vancouver will adjust its project timelines accordingly to avoid further impacts to the transportation network. Traffic personnel will be on site as precautionary measures.

DISCUSSION

Metro Vancouver is proposing to conduct excavation, welding of pressure hatches, manhole casting removal and paving/road restoration along Front Street on or after Monday January 15, 2024 to Thursday February 29, 2024. Extra time has been built into the request to account for the possibility of inclement weather, unforeseen site conditions, and any other scheduling delays that may occur. If weather conditions are good, work may be completed sooner.

Area residents potentially impacted by the noise will be notified in advance via Canada Post. Appendix A contains a map of the notification area and a sample of a resident notification.

City staff consider an exemption of the Construction Noise Bylaw to be reasonable as:

- the work must be done overnight when the sewer flow is lower;
- there will be no additional transportation disruptions; and
- noise impact is expected to be minimal to the neighborhood.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No financial impact to the City is anticipated by granting the exemption. If the variance is not granted, the project will likely be delayed which may result in financial impacts for the applicant.

OPTIONS

There are two options to consider:

1. That Council grant a Construction Noise exemption to Metro Vancouver and its contractor RAM Consulting from Construction Noise Bylaw No. 6063, 1992 from Monday, January 15, 2024 to Thursday, February 29, 2024 from 8:00 PM to 7:00 AM (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, or Statutory Holidays) for construction activity related to maintenance/repair of manhole abandonments from 300 Front Street to 700 Front Street.
2. That Council provide staff with alternative direction.

Staff recommend Option 1.

ATTACHMENTS

Appendix A: Area of Construction Work and Notification Area

Appendix B: Samples of the Notification to Neighbourhood Residents

APPROVALS

This report was prepared by:

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This report was reviewed by:

Kim Deighton, Manager of Integrated Services

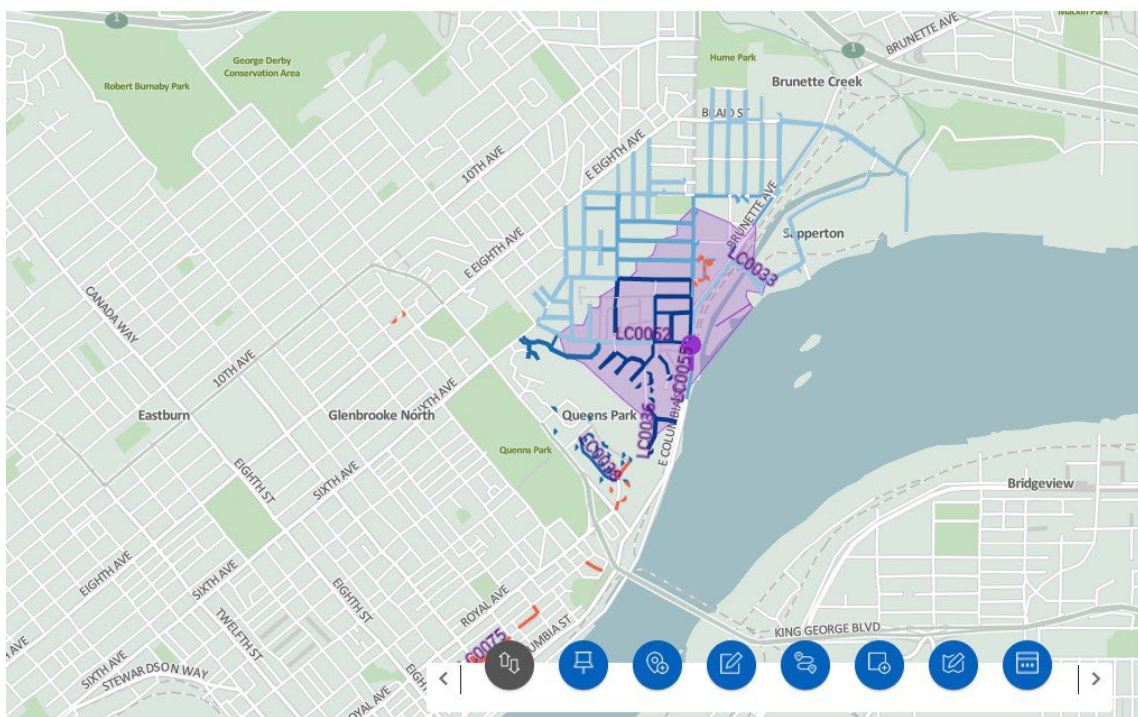
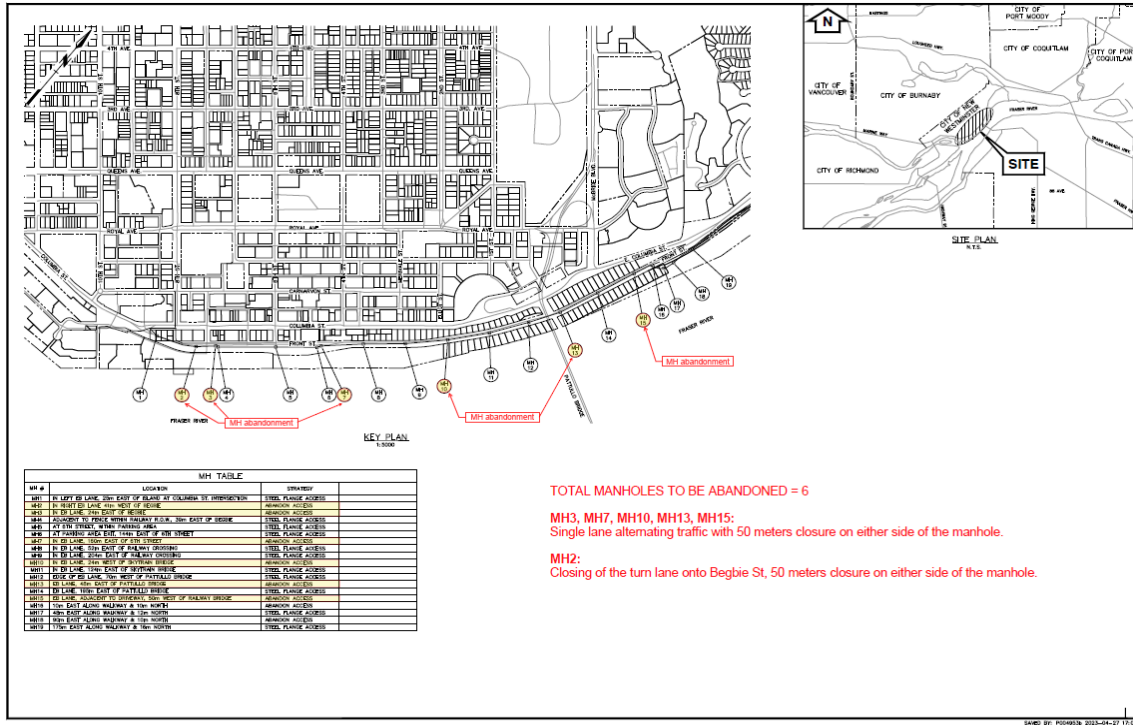
This report was approved by:

Serena Trachta, Acting Director, Climate Action, Planning and Development

Lisa Leblanc, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

Appendix A
*Area of Construction Work and Notification
Area*

Appendix A



Appendix B

Samples of the Notification to Neighbourhood Residents

Appendix B

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Front Street Sewer Rehabilitation

The Front Street Sewer brings wastewater from the Sapperton Pump Station to the McNeely Chamber at the intersection of Front Street and Columbia Street in New Westminster. Recent upgrades to the pump station have increased its capacity to accommodate regional growth. The existing maintenance holes along Front Street need to be upgraded to allow the pump station to operate at full capacity. Metro Vancouver will have crews working at maintenance hole locations along the Front Street corridor. Some work activities will occur at night when sewer flows are at their lowest and the system can temporarily shut down. To minimize disruption to businesses and residents, this work will take place during scheduled road closures from the Patullo Bridge Replacement Project.

Work Activities and Impacts:

- Overnight work
- Construction noise
- Construction equipment and vehicles on the roadway
- Cutting and removal of asphalt and road base materials

Location: Front Street, from the intersection of Columbia Street to the southern boundary of Sapperton Landing Park

Date: Intermittently between January and July 2024

Work Hours: Monday – Friday between 7:30 am and 5:30 pm, except during granted variances for weekend and night work
Drivers, pedestrians and cyclists are asked to follow the directions of signage and traffic control personnel. Crews will make efforts to reduce impacts to residents wherever possible. All work will comply with City of New Westminster bylaws or granted bylaw variances.

Contact Us

Community Liaison: 604-432-6200 (Monday to Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm)

After Hours Emergency: 604-451-6610

icentre@metrovancover.org (Include “Front Street Sewer Rehabilitation” in the subject line)
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New Westminster Hub

*Presentation to City of
New Westminster
Council*

January 8, 2024



FRASERSIDE

COMMUNITY SERVICES SOCIETY

VISION:

Fraserside is inspired to create communities of belonging where the diversity of all people is welcome.

MISSION:

Fraserside supports people needing housing, seeking work, and/or living with developmental disabilities, mental health, or substance use issues, or low income. Our focus is New Westminster and neighbouring communities.



The Beginning



- Founded in 1972
- Founded to overcome:
 - Isolation
 - Poverty
 - Alienation
- Founded on the conviction that New West was a community that cared for its residents.



OUR SERVICES AND PARTNERS



Mental Health & Counselling

632 persons served

51 residents

391 received counselling

90% improvement in self-worth



Social Housing

183 persons served

87 Homeless persons housed

27 living in low-income housing

25 families received emergency shelter

43% moved into independent housing



Funders

Community Living British Columbia

Fraser Health

BC Housing

BC Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General



Community Living

107 persons served

41 home share stays

65% success rate supported employment



Summary

20 Programs

14 Locations

6 Communities

229 Employees



FraserSide Community Services Society

- The provider of support service to help create an inclusive and diverse community.
- FraserSide provides homes and support services to the New Westminster community.
- Our New Westminster based programs:
 - Perspectives
 - Peace
 - Horizons
 - Family Emergency Shelter
 - Hunter Heights
 - Ibsen
 - New Leaf
 - Fraserworks Coop
 - Home Share



“...have a warm, safe place to call home. can access the necessities of life such as food, washrooms, and laundry. can begin to heal from the damage caused by living outside. strengthen community connections.”

City of Vancouver

“Homelessness is a complex challenge that is being addressed by governments, community groups and people working together. Recognizing the urgent need for housing,”

News headlines

“Emphasizing longer-term transitional and permanent supportive housing, these initiatives create a housing continuum which enables the homeless to achieve independence and self-sufficiency. “

City of New Westminster

“Taking collective action to address the critical needs of people experiencing, or at risk of, homelessness in Vancouver.”

Fraserside is committed to being a positive catalyst for change.





The Hub



People Belong When they Have a Home

Bringing Together

- Services Programs
- Administrative office spaces



Checking the Boxes for the needs of the Community

- ✓ Extending housing services to a broader group of tenants
- ✓ Expanding programming and services including community inclusion programs and other social services.





The Hub

Development of partnerships with funders, non-profits and private developers, faith groups, property owners, federal and local governments, and Indigenous partners is essential to the success of the Hub.

Rental Protection Fund: we qualified for Phase 1!

Together we can all make a difference and turn the Concept into a reality.





FraserSide Welcomes You



Please join us!





Thank you

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REPORT

Office of the CAO

To: Mayor Johnstone and Members of Council
Date: January 8, 2024

From: Lisa Leblanc, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
File:

Item #: 2024-7

Subject: Business Education Series – Q1 Workshops

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive this report for information.

PURPOSE

To provide an update on the Business Education Series offered by the Economic Development division and the workshops that will be offered in the first quarter of 2024.

SUMMARY

The Economic Development division has offered a recurring series of business education workshops for local business and non-profit operators. This report provides a preview of the 2024 Q1 workshops, possible future topics, and discussion of how these workshops are promoted.

BACKGROUND

In January 2021, the Economic Development division launched a program called Virtual Education and Networking Nights, or “VENN”. This program was a peer to peer virtual education workshop designed to help build capacity in the local non-profit sector following the impacts of the pandemic in 2020 while still respecting safety protocols. Topics for these sessions were broad and varied and suitable for non-profits and small businesses alike. The workshops included: goal setting, grant writing, hosting events online, communicating your value, newsletter basics, board recruitment, using plain language, and understanding systems. Two in particular were specifically marketed and promoted to the business community and offered information about vulnerable people/homelessness, de-escalating crisis, and understanding substance use. The last

session took place in 2022 and all of the recordings are available on the City’s YouTube channel.

DISCUSSION

After the last session, staff decided to pause the program to allow for new topic ideas to generate from the community as attendance at the sessions had slowly been declining. Throughout the rest of 2022 and 2023, staff continued to gather informal feedback on other education topics that the non-profit and business communities were hoping to have offered.

In October 2023, a community member delegated to Council and requested that the City work to make the community a safer place for the 2SLGBTQIA+ community, and made several suggestions, including leveraging the economies of scale to offer training to business operators who are often unable to afford consultants for one-on-one training. By coincidence, staff had already made plans to revisit the Business Education Series in anticipation of 2024 work plans, and were able to schedule a consultant to offer training about gender diversity. There are now two workshops scheduled for the first quarter of 2024 with two additional workshops in the planning stages, as well as several topics under consideration to continue to offer workshops throughout 2024 as staff capacity allows and business and non-profit requests are received.

All workshops are promoted through the *Invest New West* newsletter, which currently has approximately 1,400 subscribers, and through targeted outreach to business stakeholders. Additionally, workshops will also be promoted to business stakeholders appointed to the Arts, Culture, and Economic Development Advisory Committee (ACEDAC) once the new committee members are sworn in. If registration numbers are low, the workshops may also be promoted to a general audience via the City’s general social media channels, but because of the targeted nature of the topic, promotion is focused on business and non-profit stakeholders.

- 1) Gender Diversity Basics – this workshop will take place virtually on January 17, 2024 from 6:30pm to 7:30pm and features education on gender diversity basics such as pronouns using both customer service and employer lenses. Registration is capped at 50 persons, and the City will be able to share the recording with the participants along with prepared informational materials supplied by the consultant. Promotion has already begun for this training, including sharing information with members of the Economic Development Advisory Committee at the meeting on November 23, 2023.
- 2) Buy Local– this in-person workshop is scheduled for February 27, 2024 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm and is presented together with the New Westminster Chamber of Commerce and features a speaker from the BC Buy Local program. The workshop will provide information about research into the impact of local businesses (economic, social, environmental), guide business operators to assess the impact of their business, provide them with tools to communicate

local attributes to customers who use “local” as a buying decision factor, and give participants an overview of the #BCBuyLocal campaign. In addition to regular marketing channels, this workshop will be promoted with the support of the New Westminster Chamber of Commerce, as well as the BC Buy Local program operators.

- 3) Truth and Reconciliation – this workshop has not yet been finalized, however staff are working with a local Indigenous educator to offer education on how businesses can meaningfully adopt practices that support Truth and Reconciliation. This workshop is planned to take place in March.
- 4) Marketing with Instagram – this workshop has not yet been finalized, however staff are working with a local marketing educator who can offer tips and tricks for businesses on how they may promote their business using Instagram as a platform. This workshop is planned to take place in April.

Other topics, such as worker safety, crime prevention, privacy, leases and contracts, have all been suggested and future workshops will be developed.

NEXT STEPS

Staff will continue to plan workshops in the Business Education Series as capacity and resources allow.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

All workshops are offered virtually and are recorded for future use, with the exception of the Buy Local workshop that is offered in-person at City Hall.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no new financial implications of the Business Education Series. Costs for speaker fees are a component of the Economic Development division’s 2024 operational budget that supports businesses and non-profits.

OPTIONS

There are two options for consideration:

- 1. THAT Council receive this report for information.
- 2. THAT Council provide other direction.

Staff recommends option 1.

CONCLUSION

The Business Education Series is refreshed for 2024 based on business topic requests and subject to staff capacity.

APPROVALS

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This report was approved by:

Lisa Leblanc, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

REPORT

Office of the Chief Administrative Officer

To: Mayor Johnstone and Members of Council
Date: January 8, 2024

From: Lisa Spitale,
Chief Administrative Officer
File: 05.1035.10

Item #: 2024-12

Subject: Member Selection for the Community Advisory Assembly

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council receive this report for information.

PURPOSE

To release the Closed resolutions appointing 36 members to the new Community Advisory Assembly pilot for a one-year term ending January 31, 2025, and share information with the community about the Assembly selection process and demographic profile.

BACKGROUND

At the Closed meetings on November 20, 2023 and December 4, 2023, New Westminster City Council approved the appointment of selected applicants for the new Community Advisory Assembly and directed staff to invite selected applicants and confirm their participation. Council also directed that the appointments to the Assembly be released to the public. This information report provides Council with details about the final steps for completion of the appointment process and Assembly set-up.

DISCUSSION

On August 28, 2023, Council endorsed the draft Terms of Reference and next steps for the Community Advisory Assembly. The Terms of Reference specify the group “will have a maximum of 36 members who are all current residents of New Westminster.

Membership of the Community Advisory Assembly will mirror the overall demographic profile of the city, based on the following characteristics:

- Geographic area of the city (i.e. neighbourhood)
- Gender identity
- Age group
- Housing tenure (i.e. renter or owner)
- Visible minority
- Indigenous identity

In addition to these characteristics, a diversity of lived experiences will be sought across Assembly members, such as including newcomers to Canada, people with disabilities, people with low incomes, etc.

The aim is for the Assembly members to include a wide diversity of lived experiences, and truly represent the New Westminster community.”

The application and selection process for the Assembly followed these guidelines in the draft Terms of Reference and applicants were selected with names and identifying information masked, or removed, based on their demographic characteristics.

Application Period and Recruitment

The application period for the Community Advisory Assembly opened on September 25, 2023. Applications were primarily accepted online, with paper copies available by request. The opportunity was promoted through a wide variety of City channels and communications methods, including social media, City email newsletters, local newspaper newsletters, a media release, posters, and direct email outreach to a wide variety of community organizations and contacts. Staff also attended a student wellness fair at New Westminster Secondary School and spoke directly with local youth about the new group.

The main application period closed on October 31, 2023 with more than 200 applications received. However, the number of applications from residents ages 19 and under was low and the application period was extended for this age group only. With several additional applications received from residents in this age group, the application period closed for all applicants on November 14, 2023.

A total of 216 applications were received specifically for the Community Advisory Assembly.

Member Selection Process

Staff from the Legislative Services team compiled a spreadsheet of all applicant information, assigned a unique number to each applicant, and then removed all identifying information such as names and email addresses. The de-identified data was

then shared with staff in Public Engagement and the Senior Planning Analyst from the Climate Action, Planning and Development Department, who is a statistician and data analysis expert.

In response to a question from Council at the August 28, 2023 meeting, staff told Council that a consultant who has been supporting the City with establishing the new Community Advisory Assembly might be involved in supporting the selection process. Staff would like to clarify that the member selection was conducted solely by City staff and no consultants or other external individuals were involved.

Staff applied a variety of filters in Excel to first identify the demographic groups where there were the fewest number of applicants, such as age 19 and under, non-binary/gender diverse, Indigenous, and experiencing homelessness/precariously housed. Given the relatively low number of applicants with these characteristics, these members were selected first. Then staff selected applicants who had a number of typically under-represented characteristics, such as renters, visible minorities, low-income, and experiencing disabilities.

The group was then rounded out with selections based on age group, geographic area of the city, and gender identity in order to meet the overall community profile, as per the 2021 Census, as closely as possible.

Member selection was also based on a principle of “no lone voices,” meaning that a minimum of two members were selected with specific demographic characteristics even if that resulted in a greater representation than the Census. This principle was applied to Indigenous residents, non-binary/gender diverse, and those experiencing homelessness.

It is important to note that where trade-offs were required, staff chose to select applicants from historically under-represented groups. Because each individual applicant comes with a unique set of demographic characteristics, exact representation was not possible with this pool of applicants. In assessing representativeness of public engagement participation in the City’s online engagement efforts, staff have considered “representative” to be within +/- 5% of Census representation, and the overall demographic profile of the Assembly meets this threshold.

Following the masked selection process (names removed), the unique number of each selected applicant was provided back to Legislative Services staff who identified the names of those selected.

Names of Appointed Assembly Members

Selected and confirmed Assembly members are listed in alphabetical order by surname.

- Iyad Al Khatib
- Juno Avila-Clark
- Sully Baird
- Sergio Barbon
- Mandy Chan
- Shelley Comer
- Diana Cruz
- Raj Dhaliwal
- Jadyn Gibson
- Heidi Hizsa
- Michele Kelly
- Melody Kruppa
- Rahul Kumar
- Anne Ladouceur
- Leo Li
- Marlene Mydske
- Maria Nguyen
- Cornel Peana
- Nahla Peart
- Bob Petrusa
- Nyomi Ross
- Stuart Rushworth
- Erika Sanabria Medina
- Richard Schabler
- Cora Schellenberg
- Dave Seaweed
- Romy Senghera
- Paul Toth
- Jordan Van Brakel
- Kumar Varma
- Taz Visram
- Margaret Wanyoike
- Declan Williams
- Erica Wong
- Keysa Yanez Leon
- Titus Yip

Demographic Profile of Assembly

Demographic Measure	2021 Census Profile for City of New Westminster	Community Advisory Assembly Membership
Geographic Area of the City		
West End	10.7%	8.3%
Uptown	34.8%	36.1%
East End	21.3%	22.2%
Downtown	19.3%	16.7%
Queensborough	13.9%	16.7%
Gender Identity		
Man	49.3%	44.4%
Woman	50.7%	44.4%
Non-Binary/Gender Diverse/Other	0.44% (province wide)	11.1%
Age Group		
19 and under	16.4%	19.4%
20-34	23.9%	22.2%
35-49	22.9%	25.0%
50-64	20.8%	16.7%
65 and older	16.1%	16.7%
Housing Tenure		

Owner	54.7%	47.2%
Renter	45.3%	47.2%
Other (unhoused; living temporarily with family/friends)	~0.8%	5.6%
Visible Minority		
Visible Minority	46.8%	47.2%
Indigenous Identity		
Indigenous Identity	3.1%	5.6%

The Assembly membership also includes substantive representation of recent immigrants, immigrants who arrived in Canada five or more years ago, low-income residents, people living with disabilities, and single parents. Selected members also represent a diversity of racial identities.

NEXT STEPS

All 36 appointed members listed above have confirmed their participation on the Community Advisory Assembly, and the group will gather for the first time on January 11, 2024 for a Welcome Dinner with Council. The first working meeting of the Assembly has also been scheduled for January 25, 2024.

Council and the community will receive regular updates about the Assembly process and work as the term gets underway.

Staff have also notified applicants who were not selected for the Assembly.

INTERDEPARTMENTAL LIAISON

Staff from Legislative Services, Public Engagement, and Climate Action, Planning and Development have been involved in the selection process for the Community Advisory Assembly.

OPTIONS

The following options are presented for Council’s consideration:

1. That Council receive this report for information;
2. That Council provide alternative direction to staff.

Staff recommends Option 1.

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REPORT

Climate Action, Planning and Development

To: Mayor Johnstone and Members of Council
Date: January 8, 2024

From: Serena Trachta, Acting Director,
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Item #: 2024-11

Subject: **Outcomes from Attending the United Nations Conference on Climate Change (COP28)**

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council receive this report for information.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with a summary of the learnings and outcomes, which will be applied to the Climate Action work portfolio, from having attended the United Nations Conference on Climate Change (UNCCC) in Dubai, also known as COP28. This report provides a cross-section of the experience, but is not an exhaustive narrative of the breadth of collaboration, connection and learnings coming out of having attended this event.

SUMMARY

From December 1st – December 6th, 2023 the City of New Westminster was invited to participate in the historic, first ever, *Local Climate Action Summit* as part of the United Nations Conference on Climate Change (COP28). This global summit of local leaders was convened and coordinated by international organizations focused on local climate action (i.e. [ICLEI](#), [C40 Cities](#), [Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy](#), and many others).

Cities are on the frontlines of climate change and are not only able to build and design climate resilient futures, with the understanding of local needs, but are also able to work directly with citizens to collaborate, inspire and accelerate climate mitigation and

adaptation. This world stage raises the voice of cities to strengthen multilevel dialogue and ensure that national and international action is addressing local needs experienced on the ground in cities.

Throughout the conference, there were a variety of presentations, ministerial briefings, demonstrations, solutions focused workshops, and discussions on real-world city-level successes and challenges as they relate to implementing climate change mitigation, adaptation and resilience strategies. There were also opportunities for personal interaction with youth, industry, research organizations and city leaders from across the world (including Canada). These interactions open the door to ongoing learning as we accelerate implementing the City's climate action plans on topics such as:

- Climate Action Mitigation and Adaptation
- Electrical Grid Infrastructure, Generation and Smart Cities
- Youth Empowerment

Next steps will incorporate learnings and takeaways from the conference into the delivery of the Climate Action Team workplan.

BACKGROUND

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Since the adoption of the [Paris Agreement](#) on climate change at [COP21](#) in 2015, subsequent conferences have revolved around implementing its key goal: halt global average temperature rise to well below 2°C and pursue efforts to limit the rise to 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels. COP28 represents a turning point, where countries not only agree and show 'WHAT' stronger climate actions will be taken, but show 'HOW' to deliver them. Measuring the progress towards achieving the Paris goals on mitigation, adaptation and climate finance and adapting existing plans is a key part of the puzzle, and this is why COP28 assumes more significance than prior conferences.

As part of the ongoing process of measuring progress on the Paris Agreement, a global stocktake is required to take place every 5 years, and the first-ever stocktake has concluded and was prepared for reporting on at COP28. The global stocktake is the process of taking an inventory to report on progress. It means looking at everything related to where the world stands on climate action and support, identifying the gaps, and working together to chart a better course forward to accelerate climate action.

Including local leaders in the proceedings provides recognition of the critical role they play in reducing emissions, addressing climate risk, and supercharging national efforts

to move further and faster on climate action. Cities are on the frontlines of climate change and are not only able to build and design climate resilient futures, with the understanding of local needs, but are also able to work directly with citizens to collaborate, inspire and accelerate climate mitigation and adaptation. This world stage raises the voice of cities to strengthen multilevel dialogue and ensure that national and international action is addressing local needs experienced on the ground in cities, every single day.

DISCUSSION

With the outcomes of the first ever global stocktake, it has been made clear that, if the pace of change continues at the rate it has over the past 5 years, the world is not on a trajectory to meet the commitments of the Paris Agreement and will not keep global warming to a limit of 1.5°C above pre-industrial limits. Throughout the conference there was often reference to keeping global warming to a limit of 1.77°C. If there is any chance of keeping the original target in sight, together cities must redouble efforts to charge forward and accelerate implementation of climate mitigation strategies, while parallel efforts need to be made on climate adaptation to protect those who are most vulnerable to the impacts of climate change (typically the most marginalized members of a community, more broadly the global south, who have contributed the least to this crisis).

Throughout the conference, there were a variety of presentations, ministerial briefings, demonstrations, solutions focused workshops, and discussions on real-world city-level successes and challenges as they relate to implementing climate change mitigation, adaptation and resilience strategies. Subject matter covered included (but was not limited to):

- climate equity and justice
- empowering youth and women and inspiring communities to act
- health impacts from a changing climate
- the just energy transition and market transformation
- electrical grid stabilization, demand side management, and microgrids
- renewable energy generation proliferation
- financing climate action, the cost of adaptation and the risk and financial implications of delayed investment, and
- nature based solutions and assigning a financial value to natural preservation and natural capital

Beyond the presentations delivered by national leaders, it was the presentations and personal interaction with youth, industry, research organizations and city leaders from across the world (and Canada) that leave a lasting impression. These interactions open the door to ongoing learning as we accelerate implementing the City's climate action plans.

Climate Action Mitigation and Adaptation

Through discussions with Mayors and staff from Canada to Europe to Africa, similar challenges and unique approaches were revealed. A selection of discussions are presented below:

- Halifax and Guelph
 - o climate action reserves are instrumental in financing implementation
 - o developing adaptation strategies such as extreme heat response plans
- Yellowknife
 - o evacuating the entire city as wildfires ravaged their community highlights the role of climate change driven emergency management.
- Turku, Finland:
 - o building a city that creates an architecture of choice towards climate friendly outcomes supports reducing community carbon emissions.
 - o On track to be a net zero carbon city by 2029.
- Eswatini:
 - o impacts of drought, extreme heat and floods on local food production, infrastructure and social inequality
 - o the role of public-private partnerships in financing climate resilience, the just energy transition and skilled job creation.

In a panel discussion hosted in the Canadian Pavilion, the National Adaptation Strategy was discussed along with the cost of delayed action. This panel included representation from the federal government, BC provincial government, the CEO of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Mayor of Regina, and a leading expert on climate adaptation risk analysis. A key message delivered was the critical value of immediate investment in climate adaptation. The panel highlighted that for every \$1 invested today in climate adaptation, \$13 - \$15 in future benefits can be realized; reducing the cost of loss and damage and enhancing additional economic benefit opportunities¹.

Electrical Grid Infrastructure, Generation and Smart Cities

There was no shortage of discussion on electrical infrastructure, renewable energy, energy storage, and Smart City technologies. There were opportunities to view demonstrations of demand-side management technologies which minimize grid-level electric load without sacrificing individual electrical service. Technology solutions ranged from building level control systems to using artificial intelligence to understand demand patterns, to grid design strategies that minimize losses and incorporate dynamic load management. In three panel discussions, delivered by international experts on grid infrastructure development, energy financing and future grid design, it was conveyed that globally it is necessary to triple the current installed renewable energy capacity, quadruple the amount of transmission lines and increase distribution infrastructure 10 fold. In order to achieve this, it is imperative to get communities on board with clean electrification to ensure there is a clear understanding of the value of the high cost of

¹ Damage Control: Reducing the costs of climate impacts in Canada (https://climateinstitute.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Damage-Control_-EN_0927.pdf)

investment that is needed today in order to safeguard the future. The New Westminster Electric Utility is not alone in the challenge to meet the infrastructure needs of a climate action electrification strategy, and it is also evident that industry is innovating to make sure electric utilities can deliver.

Youth Empowerment

A common thread throughout the conference was the role youth can, and want to play in the climate conversation. Youth empowerment is vital in activating communities and inspiring change. Children born today will be 76 in 2100; this is not a 7th generation crisis, this is a 1st generation crisis. Gen Z will play the most pivotal role in our transformative sustainable future; let's help them start now.

NEXT STEPS

The following actions will be taken by the Climate Action Team (CAT), resulting from conference attendance:

- The Climate Action Workplan will be reviewed to identify ways to augment project delivery, such as increasing opportunities for youth empowerment and creating an architecture of choice that supports climate friendly outcomes.
- The CAT will continue to foster relationships developed to further strengthen the network of climate specialists that the City can draw upon; regionally, provincially, nationally and internationally.
- Ongoing monitoring and review of agreements coming out of COP28 will be conducted to identify potential impacts to the City's climate action strategies.
- Knowledge and learnings will be shared directly with staff within the organization, where relevant, to further integrate a climate lens in the work that is performed across the organization.

CONCLUSION

Attendance at COP28 not only opened up a floodgate of information, connections, technologies, and cultural awareness, but it also unlocked a heightened level of urgency for local governments to lead the conversation. Climate change is real and there are real people who are facing life-or-death consequences. New Westminster is not immune to climate change, and our city is having to adapt to heat stress, rising sea level, atmospheric rivers, poor air quality and respiratory health impacts from nearby forest fires. As the City continues to implement the climate action plans, we are playing our part in a united front, fighting alongside others around the globe to keep 1.5°C in our sights.

INTERDEPARTMENTAL LIAISON

The report was prepared by the Manager of Climate Action, and supports the senior management team in their role as leaders in climate action and champions within their departments.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Attendance at UNCCC was paid for by a third party organization and all local government staff in attendance were provided this same sponsorship. Learnings from the conference will be incorporated into the delivery of climate action initiatives within the identified 2024 capital and operating budgets.

Moving forward, climate action will continue to be embedded in work plans and budgets across all departments. In early 2024 we will bring to council the Climate Action Reserve Fund decision making framework to support allocating funds to further the City's progress towards our climate action goals.

OPTIONS

There are 2 options for Council's consideration:

1. That Council receive this report for information.
2. That Council provide staff with alternative direction.

Staff recommends option 1.

APPROVALS

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REPORT

Engineering Department

To: Mayor Johnstone and Members of Council
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Item #: 2024-13

Subject: Train Whistle Cessation – 2023 - Q4 Update

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council receive this report for information.

PURPOSE

To provide Council with an update on the progress of train whistle cessation in the City of New Westminster.

SUMMARY

This is the Q4 2023 update to Council (through this report) and the Public (through our website) on the progress of Citywide whistle cessation.

BACKGROUND

On September 25th, 2023, staff provided the third quarterly update on the progress of train whistle cessation at public grade rail crossings in the City of New Westminster. Staff have continued to advance projects and strengthen relationships with the railways and regulators through meaningful conversation, shared goals and participation in the Railway Technical Committee (RTC).

DISCUSSION

The City-led RTC held its fourth meeting on December 5th, 2023. The meeting was chaired by city staff and attended by representatives from the engineering department,

the fire department, the four railway companies operating in New Westminster, and the provincial and federal regulators. The topics discussed included rail-related Council updates, safety concerns, a grade crossing inventory, current and future rail-related projects, and developing a process to repair damaged fencing at crossings and along corridors.

Staff have received 40 rail-related communications from residents in 2023. These communications have come via public delegations to Council, email, Be Heard, SeeClickFix, Engineering counter walk-ups and phone calls. They are categorized as follows:

- 2023 – Q1: 12 communications:
 - 11 – whistle related
 - 1 – exhaust related

- 2023 – Q2: 10 communications:
 - 6 – whistle related
 - 4 – operational concerns

- 2023 – Q3: 11 communications:
 - 11 – whistle related

- 2023 – Q4: 7 communications:
 - 7 – whistle related

The updated *At-Grade Public Crossing Whistle Cessation Summary* is included in Attachment 1.

Short and Mid-Term Opportunities

The estimated date of whistle cessation (EWC) and updates to the Short and Mid Term opportunities are as follows:

Queensborough Neighbourhood

1. Furness Street @ Duncan Street	EWC:	2024 – Q1
a. The new crossing has received final sign-off by the engineer of record. The whistle cessation application package is being assembled and will be sent to Technical Safety BC once complete. This will be followed by a whistle cessation agreement and acquiring the necessary insurance. The timeline on this crossing has been updated due to staffing constraints and competing priorities in 2023.		

West End Neighbourhood		
1. Twentieth (20 th) Street crossing	EWC:	TBD

- a. We have met with the rail operators to discuss the challenges of upgrading this crossing. The next step is to obtain a legal opinion on the least impactful and most practical way to achieve GCR/GCS compliance and whistle cessation requirements. The timeline on this crossing has been updated due to new information emerging based on a better understanding of the complications of re-assigning grade crossings from public to private.

- 2. Fourth (4th) Avenue crossing EWC: 2024 – Q4

- a. We have met with the rail operators to discuss the safety concerns at this crossing. The next step is to obtain a legal opinion on whether we can close this crossing.

Sapperton Neighbourhood

- 1. Spruce Street crossing EWC: TBD

- a. CN Rail, who is responsible for the warning system, has requested a change to the City’s proposed design that could potentially add significant time (up to 2 years) and costs to the upgrades. We are considering an application to the Canadian Transportation Agency (CTA) to decide whether the City’s proposed design is acceptable. Our understanding is the CTA process can take between 3 to 6 months.

- 2. Cumberland Street crossing EWC: 2025 – Q3

- a. Conceptual drawings have been finalized and submitted to the associated rail companies. We are reviewing the proposed Construction and Maintenance agreements from the two Rail operators at the crossing. After the execution of the agreements, the detailed design phase will begin.

Long Term Projects

The following crossings will likely require comprehensive structural modifications or road/rail re-alignments, and significant capital investment to achieve whistle cessation:

Sapperton Neighbourhood

- 1. Braid Street crossing (@ Brunette Ave) EWC: TBD
- 2. Braid Street (@ Vulcan St) EWC: TBD

Queensborough Neighbourhood

- 1. Furness Street (@ Ewen Ave) EWC: TBD
- 3. Mercer Street (@ Ewen Ave) EWC: TBD
- 4. Ewen Avenue (@ Stanley St) EWC: TBD
- 5. Ewen Avenue MUP (@ Stanley St) EWC: TBD

6. Salter Street (@ Derwent Way) EWC: TBD

Additional information will be shared with Council, as it becomes available, and direction will be sought.

NEXT STEPS

In 2024, staff resources will be focused on advancing rail crossing improvements on the mainland of New Westminster including the Sapperton and West End area’s. Advancing safety upgrades and whistle cessation initiatives on the crossings in Queensborough will require the procurement of a consultant to manage this work.

Staff will continue working directly with stakeholders and through the RTC to better understand the costs and timelines for upgrading all public crossings in the City and implementing whistle cessation. This information will be used to update the At-Grade Public Crossing Whistle Cessation Summary, which will continue to be presented to Council as a part of the quarterly update process.

Staff will continue to update the City’s website quarterly with information on the progress of whistle cessation at individual crossings and continue to work with railway companies and regulators to advance the implementation of whistle cessation.

The City of New Westminster has recently retained a solicitor with the necessary experience to advance contracts and legal agreements with the railways.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The 2024-2028 Proposed Five Year Financial Plan includes \$2.83M to support rail crossing upgrades and whistle cessation projects, of which \$1.0M has been allocated to the 2024 Capital Budget. The 2024 capital budget aims to advance stakeholder engagement, conceptual and detailed design works and to advance service and equipment procurement where appropriate. This work will inform and identify the scope, risk and constraints to advance the safety works and provide information on total funding requirements.

Third-party grant funding opportunities for safety upgrades through Transport Canada’s Railway Safety Improvement Program (RSIP) are not currently available as the call is closed. City staff are committed to staying informed about the specific timeframes for grant application openings within the closed call system to ensure we can maximize grant funding.

Through RSIP, municipalities have been eligible to receive up to an 80% financial contribution per eligible project.

INTERDEPARTMENTAL LIAISON

Engineering Services will continue working with the the City’s Finance and Legal Departments to minimize the financial impacts and risk exposure to the City. Additionally, the Communications Department will be updated with advancements in major milestone progress or impactful phases of the work.

OPTIONS

The following options are presented for Council’s consideration:

- 1. That Council receive this report for information;
- 2. That Council provides alternative direction to Staff.

Staff recommends Option 1.

CONCLUSION

Whistle cessation is a complex, expensive and lengthy process. Implementing Citywide train whistle cessation in a timely manner will require dedicated staff resources, external consultant support, the continuation of collaborative stakeholder relationships and adequate capital funding from the City.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – At-Grade Public Crossing Summary

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Attachment #1

At-Grade Public Crossing Summary

AT - GRADE PUBLIC CROSSING WHISTLE CESSATION SUMMARY

No.	Area	Crossing	Owner	Users	Required Work	Estimated City Cost	Status	EWC
1	QB	Salter Street @ Derwent Way	SRY	SRY	Further analysis required. Road re-alignment of Derwent is likely required.	TBD	Reviewing Information	TBD
2	QB	Stanley St / 400 Ewen Ave Access (MUP)	SRY	SRY	Further analysis required. Road of rail re-alignment may be required.	TBD	Reviewing Information	TBD
3	QB	Ewen Avenue @ Stanley Street	SRY	SRY	Further analysis required. Road of rail re-alignment may be required.	TBD	Reviewing Information	TBD
4	QB	Mercer Street @ Ewen Avenue	SRY	SRY	Further analysis required. Road of rail re-alignment may be required.	TBD	Reviewing Information	TBD
5	QB	Furness Street @ Ewen Avenue	SRY	SRY	Further analysis required. Road of rail re-alignment may be required.	TBD	Reviewing Information	TBD
6	QB	Boundary Road @ Boyd Street	SRY	SRY	Further analysis required.	TBD	Reviewing Information	TBD
7	QB	Gifford Street @ Boyd Street	SRY	SRY	Further analysis required.	TBD	Reviewing Information	TBD
8	QB	Queensborough Landing Pedestrian Crossing	SRY	SRY	Further analysis required.	TBD	Reviewing Information	TBD
9	QB	Wood Street @ Boyd Street	SRY	SRY	Further analysis required.	TBD	Reviewing Information	TBD
10	QB	Boyne Street @ Boyd Street	SRY	SRY	Further analysis required.	TBD	Reviewing Information	TBD
11	QB	Stanley Street @ Duncan Street	SRY	SRY	Further analysis required.	TBD	Reviewing Information	TBD
12	QB	Furness Street @ Duncan Street	SRY	SRY	Whistle cessation submission package being completed.	TBD	Application in progress	2024 – Q1
13	QB	Pedestrian Crossing @ Brookes Street	SRY	SRY	None – whistle cessation has been implemented	N/A	Complete	Complete
14	ML	Twentieth Street @ River Drive	SRY, CP, CN	SRY, CP, CN	Reviewing options with legal consultant.	TBD	Reviewing Information	TBD

QB = Queensborough / ML = Mainland
TBD = To Be Determined
EWC = Estimated Date of Whistle Cessation

No.	Area	Crossing	Owner	Users	Required Work	Estimated City Cost	Status	EWC
15	ML	Fourth Avenue @ Fourteenth Street	SRY, CP, CN	SRY, CP, CN	Reviewing options with legal consultant.	TBD	Reviewing Information	2024 – Q4
16	ML	Quayside Drive @ Laguna Court	SRY	SRY	None – whistle cessation has been implemented	N/A	Complete	Complete
17	ML	Begbie Street @ Front Street	CN	SRY, CN, CP, BNSF	None – whistle cessation has been implemented	N/A	Complete	Complete
18	ML	Front Street @ Fourth Street	CN	SRY, CN, CP, BNSF	None – whistle cessation has been implemented	N/A	Complete	Complete
19	ML	Cumberland Street @ Columbia Street	CP, BNSF	CN, CP, BNSF	Flashing Lights, Bells and Gates plus pedestrian facility upgrades.	\$1.4 M	Conceptual Design	2025 – Q3
20	ML	Spruce Street @ Brunette Avenue	CP, BNSF	CN, CP, BNSF	Flashing Lights, Bells and Gates plus pedestrian facility upgrades.	TBD	Conceptual Design	TBD
21	ML	Capilano Way @ Edworthy Way	BNSF	BNSF	Due to low rail activity, whistle cessation has not been pursued at this crossing.	TBD	Reviewing Information	TBD
22	ML	Braid Street @ Brunette Avenue	CN	CN, BNSF	Safety re-assessment complete. Rail Crossing Signalization Review to be conducted to address motor vehicles queuing on tracks.	TBD	Reviewing Information	TBD
23	ML	Braid Street @ Vulcan Street	CP	CP	Safety re-assessment complete. Rail Crossing Signalization Review to be performed to address motor vehicles queuing on tracks.	TBD	Reviewing Information	TBD
24	ML	Braid Skytrain Station access road	CN	CN, BNSF	Due to low rail activity, whistle cessation has not been pursued at this crossing.	TBD	TBD	TBD

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