

## **MINUTES FOR GWAC GENERAL MEETING 4<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2013**

LRC, Britannia 7:00pm

Directors in attendance: Jak, Steve, Dorothy, Craig, Eileen, Tom, James, Anne

### **Introduction by the President**

### **Community Announcements**

- 7/11 Britannia Strategic Master Plan
- 7/11 Gala Opening of VIMAF
- 14/11 SFU Lecture on “Vienna Model” of Affordable Rental
- 15/11 UDI Panel discussion on development & neighbourhoods
- 21/11 GHG Meeting
- Tom gave a brief announcement regarding the opening of the York Theatre

### **Speakers: Realty Market in Grandview**

Local realtors James Buonassisi and Lisa McIntosh gave short presentations on aspects of the realty market in Grandview today. James talked about pricing trends while Lisa looked at demographic changes. There was a lively Q&A session in which laneway houses, heritage houses, rents on Commercial Drive, etc. were well covered.

### **Community Plan Business**

The President reviewed the events of the past month, These included Adriane Carr’s Town Hall meeting, discussions with planners, correspondence with Boffo and the Kettle, and last week’s PACE meeting. There was also a discussion about the Citizens’ Assembly, with note being made of the discussion group’s next meeting on 12/11 at 7:00pm in the LRC.

## **Coalition of Vancouver Neighbourhoods**

The President reviewed the activities of the Coalition, with mention of the latest media release on the pace of development in the city. The Coalition's next meeting is on 17/11 in Marpole.

## **New Business**

Craig raised the issue of 1872 Parker, a wonderful heritage house that is about to be demolished after the owner received permission from Planning.

Motion by Craig, seconded by Eileen, that Craig, on behalf of GWAC, will follow up with the City regarding better ways to protect and save both 1872 Parker and other properties. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Adjournment**

The President adjourned the meeting at 8:50pm