

JBNA Directors' Report: May 9th, 2018

BC TRANSIT ROUTE 'TIGHTENING':

With the reopening of Niagara Street, BC Transit has been able to tweak their schedules. For Route #2, during weekdays from 7:20am to 8pm, the service should be every 15 minutes; weekends 15 minute frequency from 9am-8pm. The #3/10 remains at every 30 minutes.

CRD WASTEWATER (SEWAGE) APRIL UPDATE:

DALLAS CONVEYANCE LINE: The CRD team will select the contractor in June, with work starting in fall. The trenching construction will be done with multiple teams and trench sections will be covered; the roadway open during most of the construction. The team intends to remove a couple of mature Chestnut trees along Dallas. Invasive elm trees east of Douglas will remain and the cycle track taken south of the trees onto the bluffs. JBNA will notify of further changes via twitter at <https://twitter.com/JBNAVictoria>

BELLEVILLE CLOSURES:

Road closures to facilitate street changes should be finished prior to the Victoria Day weekend.

SHIP POINT MASTER PLAN INFO SESSION: Tuesday, May 15 5-7 pm City Hall

IRVING PARK – TENTING & CAMPING:

Residents have commented on the camping in Irving Park with tents, sleeping bags and tarps present, often till mid-morning and later. Problems/Issues should be reported to the police.

THE RETURN OF THE BARGE:

GVHA will be holding Barge events during the 2018 cruise season. The weekly events are to end by 9pm. In addition, the Barge will also be rented to third parties for private events. These events will be limited to 2/month. GVHA commits to requesting that third parties respect the minimum requirements set by the City regarding event permitting. GVHA suggested that rather than contacting GVHA about noise at the barge or problems with any inebriated or misbehaving customers as they leave Ogden, residents call the police. GVHA had meetings with the City regarding their program. JBNA was not consulted on this program/policy prior to GVHA finalizing.

JBNA BOARD MEETING:

With the opening of the sx^werj'x^werj taŋ'exw James Bay branch of the library, the Board now has a public space to hold Board meetings. The Board usually schedules its Board meeting within the week after the general meeting, however, it is not always possible to set the date far in advance due to personal time commitments. The May meeting was held on May 7, 2018. The Board will try to set meeting dates such that the dates can be included in the monthly Director's report.

GARDENING COMMITTEE NEWS: Over 100 residents and visitors popped by the JBNA garden Plant Sale on Saturday (May 5) to visit, chat about spring plantings, and buy plants. Thanks to all the residents who donated plants & pots and to Discovery Coffee for the coffee supply. \$200 from sales will go towards communal gardening supplies. For information of JBNA gardening initiatives, please contact Kathryn at jamesbaygardens@gmail.com.

WHITE LIGHT – TOO BRIGHT?

The City is nearing the end of installation of energy-efficient LED light bulbs. Residents adversely affected by the bright lights shining through their windows, please contact Ed Robertson. Shields directing the light more downwards are still being installed upon request: <erobertson@victoria.ca>

Development Proposals In Process: (Details: City Planning @250-361-0523 or Development Tracker) 71-75 Montreal; 121 Menzies; 672 Niagara; 425 Oswego; 224 Superior; 520 Menzies-Embassy; 229 Government; 415-435 Michigan; 515-519 Rithet; 430 Parry; 334 Dallas.
Expected in months ahead: 350/360 Douglas & Ogden Point MasterPlan.

Next JBNA General Meeting: 7:00 pm, June 13th, 2018, 234 Menzies (New Horizons)

Next JBNA Board Meeting: 3:30pm, Monday, June 18th, 2018, JB Library