

DELEGATION: Old Interurban Forest Preservation Society
2017 March 28

From: Rod Drown

Sent: October 25, 2016 11:33 AM

To: Zeinabova, Blanka

Subject: Re: OLD INTERURBAN FOREST PRESERVATION SOCIETY
PRESENTATION TO TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8 MEETING OF ENVIRONMENT
COMMITTEE

Hello again, Ms Zeinabova,

I suspect our Society has not adequately explained ourselves to you -- sorry!

Our Society's main goal is to convince Burnaby City Council to officially designate the area that the Old Interurban Forest Preservation Society calls "The Old Interurban Forest", as a park/protected/no development area. This area is approximately 80 ha/200 acres of second growth forest and is situated, generally speaking, between Cariboo and North Roads and is bounded by the Trans-Canada Highway on the north and the Cariboo Heights Subdivision on the south. Running through it is the last remaining intact segment of the old Burnaby Lake Interurban, the roadbed of which runs between Cariboo Road on the west and Craig Avenue on the east.

Currently much of this area is designated, under a 1984 Community Plan, as an area for the development of what might be termed cluster housing and regular subdivisions.

Our Society considers, because of this area's current forested status and the presence of the old railbed, that it has natural attributes easily translatable to environmental and heritage values. Given its current zoning (eventual housing) I can see why our Society should certainly make our case before the Planning and Development Committee.

We would of course want to appear before any Council committee whose responsibilities might lead to its support for our vision and goals.

Could you please advise us as to the sequence of committees we should approach?

Your advice is much appreciated.

Thanks again,

Rod Drown

From: Rod Drown
Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2016 9:46 AM
To: Prior, Eva
Subject: MAY WE POSTPONE OUR PRESENTATION TO MARCH 2017?

Good Morning Ms Prior,

The Old Interurban Forest Preservation Society's Board met last night and, after a lengthy discussion, decided we should postpone our presentation to the Policy & Planning Committee until the early spring. We felt the postponement would allow us to more fully gather support in the community and among like-minded and allied organizations for our vision. We were thinking about the March 2017 meeting -- assuming there is a March meeting.

In the meantime, thanks again for your kind assistance in steering us toward the particularities of making a successful presentation. Your time has not been wasted!

Best Regards,
Rod Drown (for the Society)