

TO: COUNCIL

FROM: MAYOR HURLEY

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL OCP PUBLIC EVENTS

PURPOSE: To direct staff to add two additional public events for the Official Community Plan (OCP) in the Lougheed and Burnaby Hospital areas.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT staff be directed to add two additional public events for the Official Community Plan (OCP) in the Lougheed and Burnaby Hospital areas.

FINANCIAL IMPACTS

The financial impacts will include staff time and supplies for the events and are expected to be minimal.

DISCUSSION

The Official Community Plan (OCP) Project was introduced to the Planning and Development Committee at its February 2, 2022 meeting. On June 1, 2022, Council received a follow-up report providing information on the OCP Project initiation and process, including a preliminary schedule and phasing. On February 27, 2023, Council received a report on “What We Heard” during the summer 2022 outreach and engagement.

On May 8, 2023 Council received a report that informed Council of the end of Phase 1: Surfacing and requested authorization to initiate Phase 2: Visioning, which included four (4) signature events (one per quadrant of the city) designed to promote enthusiasm for the OCP project and solicit the community’s vision, values and goals.

These public engagement events provided an opportunity to invite a broad range of community members to take part in an evening of entertainment, engagement and discussion. The evening events began with a range of activities including entertainment by local artists, storytelling on a variety of topics, and keynote speakers on topics related to the OCP, and will culminate with engaging facilitated workshopping designed to capture the vision and values of the participants.

Adding two additional engagements in July 2023 is intended to raise further awareness about the OCP project and provide an opportunity for additional input from the public.

Respectfully submitted,

MAYOR HURLEY

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 - May 8, 2023 Council Report – OCP Conclusion of Phase 1