

Burnaby Community Assembly – Recommendation Policy Areas

The Burnaby Community Assembly is a broadly representative group of 40 residents selected by civic lottery to create recommendations for the Burnaby 2050 Official Community Plan, which sets the long-term vision for managing the city's growth.

The Assembly is being facilitated by the Simon Fraser University Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue. The Centre for Dialogue maintained editorial autonomy for the duration of the Assembly but worked closely with relevant City staff to ensure the accuracy of materials presented to the Assembly.

The recommendations of the Assembly were generated within a set of three broad policy areas, listed below, presented in the language utilized by the Assembly.

The Assembly also reviewed the draft Burnaby 2050 vision statement options, as made public during the Phase 3 'Drafting' engagement process, which took place from April to June 2024, and will provide recommendations for strengthening the vision.

- **Policy Area #1: Housing Choices, Access and Affordability**
 - *Focus Questions*
 - What types of affordable or subsidized housing should Burnaby prioritize and for whom?
 - What housing forms should Burnaby encourage to make sure suitable homes are available for all types of residents?
 - *Areas of Exploration*
 - Housing choice and access and affordability;
 - Possibility of setting housing targets; and
 - Ideas for how the City can create and prioritize more affordable housing.
- **Policy Area #2: Growth, Density and Land-use**
 - **Focus Area A) Neighbourhoods, Street Experiences and Accessibility**
 - *Focus Question*
 - What types of neighborhoods and street experiences should the City of Burnaby prioritize and why?

- *Areas of Exploration*
 - Quality of neighbourhood and street experiences;
 - Community safety and accessibility;
 - Type and form of desired neighbourhood amenities; and
 - Qualities and features of a complete community.
- **Policy Area #2: Growth, Density and Land-use**
Focus Area B) Zoning and Housing Forms
 - *Focus Questions*
 - How should the City of Burnaby distribute density to accommodate anticipated growth, with over 100,000 new residents expected by 2050?
 - What types of housing forms should Burnaby encourage to make sure suitable homes are available for all types of residents?
 - *Areas of Exploration*
 - Review of the two proposed Growth Scenarios ‘Baseline Growth’ and ‘Corridor Growth’;
 - The role of ‘missing middle’ housing types.
- **Policy Area #3: Transportation**
 - *Focus Questions*
 - What would support Burnaby residents to further shift their transportation modes from single occupancy vehicles to sustainable options such as transit, rolling, walking, and cycling?
 - How should the City of Burnaby allocate existing road space between uses such as driving, parking, public transit and cycling?
 - How should diverse accessibility requirements be considered and planned for in the public domain?
 - *Areas of Exploration*
 - Increasing rates of transit use, rolling, walking and cycling by Burnaby residents; and
 - Managing competing uses on major roads.

The final set of recommendations will be presented to Burnaby City Council by Assembly members at its July 22, 2024 meeting.