



“Working to enhance the value and quality of living in historic Shaughnessy”

CURRENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Notice of Annual General Meeting

You are invited to attend the Shaughnessy Heights Property Owners' Association Annual General Meeting at Saint John's Anglican Church, Granville Street at Nanton Avenue, on Wednesday May 19, 2004 in the Lower Hall at 7:30 P.M.

AGENDA

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND 2003 AGM MINUTES	
PRESIDENT'S REPORT	Peter Kwok
TREASURER'S REPORT	William Steen
NEW SHPOA BYLAWS	Phil Yacht
ELECTION OF DIRECTORS	Peter Kwok

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER

Mayor Larry Campbell

When York House School carried out its last expansion in 1992, certain non-legally binding traffic management commitments were made to the neighbours but were only partly fulfilled.

The neighbours do not object to the school's improving its facilities, but merely want the livability of their neighbourhood protected, such as limiting the use of the proposed theatre where additional traffic and parking would be generated, and having York House School accommodate their parking on their own site. The school has rejected any legally enforceable mechanism along these lines.

York House School filed their rezoning application in November 2003, with plans that omit crucial areas for the protection of the liveability of the neighbourhood, areas the school had promised in writing last May that they would address. As a result, we wrote to the city to object to the York House School expansion plans as currently submitted, but continue to hope that the school and the neighbours' representatives will continue discussions to arrive at a mutually satisfactory solution. If the two sides are willing, we will be happy to play a bridging role.

City staff is currently reviewing the York House School rezoning application. More information can be obtained from the neighbours' steering committee website: www.yorkhouseneighbours.com, and the school's website: www.yorkhouse.bc.ca.

York House School Expansion Proposal

Since October, 2002, when we learned of York House School's proposed facilities expansion beyond what its current zoning allows, and its neighbours' concerns regarding the traffic and parking in the area, both at the present time and in the future should the expansion proceed, we have worked diligently to try to find a compromise, in the hope that the school could build its new facilities, and the general livability of the neighbourhood could be protected.

York House School is located in a unique physical environment, being bounded by two major arteries and very narrow residential streets, with two other schools in the immediate vicinity. As a result, the neighbours are already enduring an excessive volume of school-related traffic and parking.

Other Current Issues

Several new developments in the RS-3A area in the last two years have generated some controversy. We are reaching out to the neighbours there in the hope of finding a long-term solution to their concerns.

We suggested to the city to notify us when a subdivision application is submitted for a site in Shaughnessy, but the city would not agree to that. However, they seem to have taken our suggestion of enlarging the notification area immediately surrounding the site.

When the controversial “Greencroft” development was approved by city council in 2001, the city imposed a 3-year moratorium on the application of transferable density to First Shaughnessy Heritage Revitalization Agreement developments. This moratorium is scheduled to expire mid-year this year, but we have learned from discussion with Planning staff that the moratorium would continue to be in place until a thorough evaluation is completed and the neighbourhood is fully consulted.

The City has embarked on a Community Visions process, to come up with a vision of how Shaughnessy should evolve for the next 15 to 20 years. Our board has sent a representative to participate in this process, but we also encourage you all to take part as well. Please contact Peter Burch at the city (tel: 604-873-7486).

We have also been invited to a Community Dialogue process, organized by the Police Department, to address safety and security issues in the city. We have sent 2 board members to represent SHPOA.

New SHPOA Bylaws

After gathering members' input and carefully drafting and redrafting, we are happy to propose to you a new set of bylaws, to replace our existing bylaws which are very much out of date. The proposed new bylaws and a comparison with the existing bylaws are enclosed with this newsletter. The existing bylaws are posted on our website: www.shaughnessyowners.com, or could be faxed to you upon request. At the upcoming AGM on May 19, members will be asked to vote on whether to adopt the proposed new bylaws.

SHPOA Logo Design Competition

We would like to develop a logo for SHPOA, to be used in our newsletters, letterhead, etc., and we invite our members to come up with an appropriate design.

Eligibility — All SHPOA members in good standing except for Board members. Maximum of 3 design submissions per member.

Prizes — Winner takes \$100 cash plus two years of free membership in SHPOA.

Submission Deadline — May 7, 2004.

Winning entry will be announced at AGM of May 19 including prize presentation.

Materials to be submitted:

- Original of design shall be mailed to PO Box 62059, 4645 Arbutus Street, Vancouver, BC, V6J 4A3, or emailed to shpoavan@hotmail.com.
- Logo shall be of one or two colours and be reproducible in a single colour to a small size (3/4” width x 1” height) without compromising its significant meaning and details. Logo submission shall be illustrated in size 3” width x 4” height.
- Description of design in 100 words or less.

Unsuccessful submissions will not be returned unless upon special request. The winning entry shall become the property of SHPOA.

Reference material, if needed, on the history of Shaughnessy may be obtained by calling Peter Kwok, President, at 604-730-8223 and leaving a fax number.

Judging Panel and Process — The winning design is to be selected by the Board of Directors, and their judgment is final. SHPOA reserves the right to not select any of the submitted entries as the winner. Names and particulars of entrants to be removed and identified with numbers prior to presentation to panel judges.

SHPOA Website

We have launched our website: www.shaughnessyowners.com, with information on our association and current issues. We shall continue to build and update it in the future. In the last few months, we have experimented with emailing our members when urgent issues came up, a process that we shall refine to eliminate errors. If you have not given us your email address yet, please do so now, so we could communicate with you on matters of urgency affecting your immediate neighbourhood.

Contact Persons

If you have any questions or comments, please contact the following persons:

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**SHAUGHNESSY HEIGHTS
PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION**
Receipts and Payments and Fund Balance

March 1, 2003 to February 29, 2004

Receipts less Disbursements 855.07

Bank Account:
Opening Balance 19,048.00
Closing Balance 19,903.07

Balance comprised of:
Term deposit 15,340.98
Bank Balance 4,562.09
Total Funds 19,903.07

Receipts

Membership Dues 3,806.00
Interest 343.22
4,149.22

Disbursements

Meeting Room 641.75
Newsletter 2,147.71
Legal 107.95
Secretarial 0.00
Miscellaneous 396.74
3,294.15

NOMINATIONS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Any member in good standing of SHPOA who is interested in serving as a director or is interested in nominating someone should contact Peter Kwok at 604-730-8223 by May 5, 2004. Please be prepared to provide him with the name, address, and a brief biography of the nominee.

Being A Member of SHPOA

We are here, willing and ready to help you address your neighbourhood concerns. Being a member of SHPOA gives you the comfort of knowing that you have an organization to back you up in times of need. **Please renew your membership now and invite your friends and neighbours to join.** There is strength in numbers. All property owners in Shaughnessy and their resident spouses are eligible to become members.

Shaughnessy Heights Property Owners' Association
Membership Renewal

for June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005

Owner(s) and resident spouse's names _____

Property Address _____ Postal Code _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Mailing Address (if different) _____

Amount enclosed _____ (Annual membership fees: couple \$20, single \$10, corporation or society (1 representative): \$10)

Date _____

Please make cheque payable to:

Shaughnessy Heights Property Owners' Association
and mail to: SHPOA, P. O. Box 62059, 4645 Arbutus Street, Vancouver, B. C. V6J 4A3

The personal information herein provided to SHPOA ("Association") shall be for the purposes of the Association membership records and membership registration only. **NO** personal information of the membership shall be transmitted, assigned, sold, or transferred to any other organization, social, political, religious or governmental, or otherwise, without the express written consent and authority of the membership of the Association.

(Chinese Translation of the complete Newsletter would be available upon request)