

Marlene Lagoa

From: Lorne Argyle
Sent: May 29, 2016 6:03 PM
To: Bill Brown
Cc: Marlene Lagoa
Subject: Block Bash Comments

Hi Bill:

Here are the comments as written on the table paper.

Arts Culture & Heritage:

- walking tours and tourism based on heritage tours
- place for community groups at Town Village
- have more places to ride bikes around

Economic Development

- building more highways
- support the Thurs Market
- Restaurant - not the fast food kind
- promote a local shop live play
- encourage small business in Esq by Tax breaks [?]

Environment

- use a green environment as a lens for all new buildings or new construction
- to have more garbage cans around

Parks Trails & Recreation

- build an Aqua Park

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Bring on the water park
artist gallery and studio spaces
more community events for all ages
let the people know well in advance

Planning and Development

low income housing
build a 4/5 star hotel with a family restaurant eg Apple Tree
Tim Horton in centre of town
more rental apartments
encourage small developments by streamlining the process

Transportation & Infrastructure

ensure stop signs not covered by branches
ensure stop signs at all RR crossings
more benches for rest on major routes
washrooms
sidewalks please

That's all they wrote

Lorne Argyle

Marlene Lagoa

From: Jacques Sirois
Sent: May 4, 2016 11:43 AM
To: Marlene Lagoa
Cc: Rick Daykin
Subject: Victoria Harbour Bird Sanctuary, est. Oct. 27, 1923 - my vision for Esquimalt - OCP review - remarkable urban wildlife: oak trees to Olympia Oysters...
Attachments: JacquesSirios_Naturehood_VicBirdSanc_logo.pdf; JacquesSirois_MigBirdSIGN_rev8.pdf; JacquesSirois_Buffelhead_sign_rev4.pdf

Dear Marlene,

I met you recently at Earth Day in Highrock Park. I will not be able to attend to your forum.

On the other hand, I hope that you will take into account and consider Victoria Harbour Bird Sanctuary in your planning exercise.

Your Park Manager, Rick Daykin, is already quite engaged and aware through the Gorge Waterway Initiative, where I met him in 2015.

This historic Migratory Bird Sanctuary, one of three in Greater Victoria with Esquimalt Lagoon and Shoal Harbour, was established to control hunting, particularly the market hunting of Pacific Brant, nearly 100 years ago. It was the first Migratory Bird Sanctuary established on the Pacific coast of Canada.

Today, it harbours valued, valuable and remarkable urban wildlife, including birds, mammals, fishes and molluscs, etc. such as Buffleheads, Pacific Harbour Seals, Pacific Herring and Olympia Oysters. This is why Nature Canada recognized it as a Canadian NatureHood a few months ago. NatureHoods are meant to connect urban Canadians and their children to nature.

Please note that Victoria Harbour, Esquimalt Harbour and the Gorge Waterway have not been this clean in half a century thanks to the efforts of countless volunteers, NGOs, private enterprises and government agencies (municipal, CRD, provincial and federal). It appears that something like \$500 M have already been spent to do this over the last decades. A huge success of national significance. As a result, wildlife is staying and coming back.

In fact, Greater Victoria is now considered to have the best coastal and marine wildlife in urban Canada. This is a big story that I will be glad to discuss with you at one point, from oak trees to Olympia Oysters and Pacific Herring.

Thanks,

Jacques Sirois, Friends of Victoria Harbour Bird Sanctuary

Victoria Harbour Bird Sanctuary, est. Oct. 27, 1923

Urban wildlife sanctuary, Canadian NatureHood and working harbour

- A- Colquitz River
- B- Hospital Creek
- C- Craigflower Creek
- D- Gorge Creek
- E- Cecelia Creek
- F- Bowker Creek
- G- Hobbs Creek
- 1- Portage Inlet
- 2- Gorge Waterway
- 3- Selkirk Water
- 4U- Upper Harbour
- 4I- Inner Harbour
- 4M- Middle Harbour
- 4O- Outer Harbour
- 5- Ogden Point Breakwater
- 6- Macaulay Point
- 7- Brothie Ledge
- 8- Clover Point
- 9- Harling Point
- 10- Trial Islands
- 11- Turkey Head
- 12- Oak Bay
- 13- Cattle Point
- 14- Cadboro Bay
- 15- Ten Mile Point



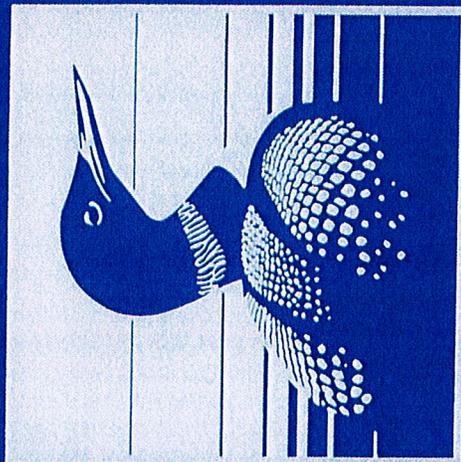
The oldest Migratory Bird Sanctuary on the Pacific coast of Canada, it encompasses 1840 hectares below the high-water mark from Portage Inlet to Ten Mile Point.

It also includes the estuaries of the Colquitz River, Craigflower Creek, Cecelia Cr., Bowker Cr. and others.

Established to control hunting after the Migratory Bird Convention Act of 1917, forgotten and ignored for decades, it features diverse, coastal and marine wildlife.

This wildlife includes birds, fishes, mammals, molluscs, crustaceans, plants and other organisms, including several species at risk, which are unusual in an urban area and a working harbour.

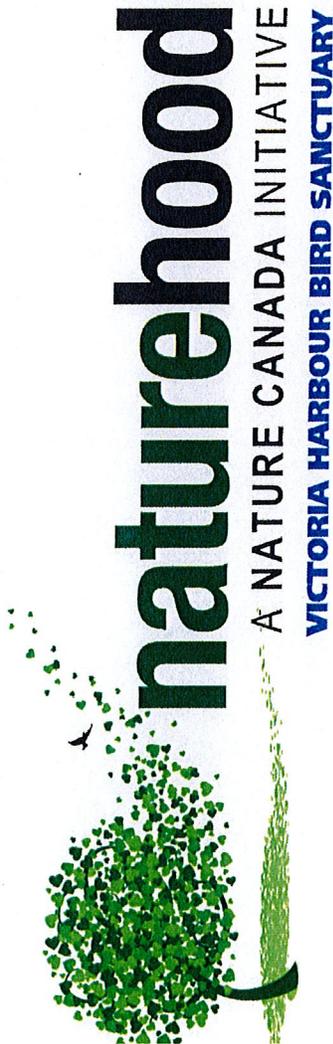
Cleanups, restoration and rewilding at several sites are encouraging several species to stay or recover, creating one of the best assemblages of wildlife in urban Canada.



Migratory Bird Sanctuary
Refuge d'oiseaux migrateurs



Wildlife Service Canada



VICTORIA HARBOUR MIGRATORY BIRD SANCTUARY

ESTABLISHED OCTOBER 27, 1923

Bufflehead

male (left), female (right)



J.Fenwick Lansdowne, *Birds of the West Coast*, Vol. 1, 1976, M.F. Feheley Pub. Ltd., Toronto

A common wintering duck in and near the entire sanctuary, from Portage Inlet to Ten Mile Point. In Victoria Harbour, 300 to 400 may winter in West Bay alone. Known for being punctual, it usually begins to return to Greater Victoria by Oct. 15, "All Buffleheads Day", the 298th day of the solar year. In 2015, one female arrived in Shoal Harbour Migratory Bird Sanctuary (Sidney) on that day when one male and nine females were also reported at Esquimalt Lagoon Migratory Bird Sanctuary. No Bufflehead was detected in Victoria Harbour Migratory Bird Sanctuary until Oct. 21, with two males and four females in Oak Bay near Bowker Creek, and a group of 30-40 on Portage Inlet near Colquitz Creek, on Oct. 25.

Marlene Lagoa

Subject: FW: Statement in Legislature April 28th @ 10am. Carole James MLA

From: Dorothy Chambers
Sent: April-24-16 10:47 AM
To: ;
Subject: Statement in Legislature April 28th @ 10am. Carole James MLA

regarding our Migratory Bird Sanctuary...."It's one of the best urban wildlife sanctuaries in Canada, and the Colquitz River is in the heart of it all".

Esquimalt needs to amend their OCP, which apparently sanctions clear cutting of waterfront slopes and riparian areas. On the other hand, thanks to Esquimalt for taking charge of their fragile wildlife areas and posting **NO BOATING** signage to stop the continuous disturbances.

Saanich Parks needs to step up and protect the wildlife in the Colquitz estuary, Portage Inlet and Cuthbert Holmes Park.

View Royal needs to protect the wildlife in the Craigflower creek estuary, and Portage Inlet. And stop encouraging wildlife disturbances in their area, where boaters then find their way up the Colquitz estuary.

Kim Maddin

From: Laurie Hurst
Sent: April 20, 2016 14:47
To: Kim Maddin
Subject: FW: Municipal vision

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For login and processing, thanks.

Laurie Hurst, CPA, CGA
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From: Barb Desjardins
Sent: April 20, 2016 2:46 PM
To: Laurie Hurst
Subject: Fwd: Municipal vision

Barb Desjardins
Mayor , Township of Esquimalt

Begin forwarded message:

From: Janice Simcoe
Date: April 20, 2016 at 1:25:37 PM PDT
To: Barb Desjardins <barb.desjardins@esquimalt.ca>
Subject: **Municipal vision**

Your Honour: I've just read an article about the discussion about a community plan vision statement. I'm sharing a word of caution about some language in the chosen statement.

I would not advise the municipality to make a statement that may be perceived as a reference to "our" First Nations. As an Indigenous person I do not like to be referred to in the possessive by "settler" governments and I expect that this is the case with Songhees and Esquimalt Nations. It may work better to say "Esquimalt is a caring and welcoming community that has strong relationships with our neighbours, the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations (or First Nations but check with them first), regional municipalities, and the naval base."

Please accept this message as a gesture of friendship and respect, as it is intended.

I'm writing as a resident of Esquimalt municipality, as an Indigenous (Anishinaabe) person, and as one who honours the Lkwungen people on whose traditional territories we live and work.

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Janice

Marlene Lagoa

From: Marilyn Day
Sent: February 16, 2016 1:58 PM
To: Marlene Lagoa
Subject: Fwd: OCP

Sent from my iPhone

Subject: OCP

Hello Marlene; although I was unable to attend last evening's COTW, I did catch your presentation online streaming - I note that the Community Vision Statement makes no mention of our military community - an entity that also reflects our culture and has done so for more than a century and helped build Esq. into what it is today. Therefore I would suggest that recognition be added into the Vision Statement, which in my opinion would add to the uniqueness of our community and celebrate that part of our heritage and its importance for our community in terms of economics and diversity. The military also plays a huge role in our safety infrastructure - and has and would respond accordingly. They should be recognized - You and your team have done and continue to do an amazing job with this huge project. Thanks and Cheers!
Marilyn Day

Sent from my iPhone