

**THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF WEST VANCOUVER  
NEIGHBOURHOOD CHARACTER WORKING GROUP MEETING NOTES  
MAIN FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM NORTH, MUNICIPAL HALL  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2019**

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Working Group Members: L. Fourie, R. Brink, S. Chunick, S. Nicholls, T. Dodd, and T. Malapanis. Absent: Councillor P. Lambur. H. Locke, N. Smeal, P. Ulveland.  
Staff: C. Miller, Senior Planner and M. Bermingham, Recording Clerk.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 4 p.m.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The Neighbourhood Character Working Group approved the November 13, 2019, agenda as circulated.

**3. APPROVAL OF MEETING NOTES**

The Neighbourhood Character Working Group approved the October 30, 2019, meeting notes as circulated.

**REPORTS / ITEMS**

**4. Public Correspondence**

No new items of public correspondence were received between October 30 and November 13, 2019.

**5. Subgroup Meeting Update: November 6, 2019**

The subgroup provided a brief update of the November 6, 2019 meeting as below:

The subgroup set targets as follows:

- a. Complete technical review of draft solutions document
- b. Wordsmith draft solutions document
- c. Arrange informal review of draft solutions document with Council and Staff
- d. Stakeholder meetings in the New Year

The subgroup undertook a detailed review of the section relating to "Size". Other municipal examples of limiting housing size were brought forward. Reviewed Assumptions & Limitations document.

Residents provided comment on stronger protection for trees (and how protection of environment should be interwoven as an overall priority of the working group), benefits of old growth trees significantly outweigh benefits of new trees, potential review of landscaping deposit and how hydrology studies could be deployed as part of site water management.

## 6. Review Draft Solutions

A round table discussion and a detailed review of size ensued regarding removing or modifying recommendations on retaining walls and height calculations. The working group discussed various other aspects of highest building face, height exemptions, articulated building faces, variances and limiting basements exemptions.

The working group concluded by agreeing that public consultation would benefit from the aid of visual representations of solutions, and seek input from communications on a consultation plan. Staff will report back on this at the next meeting.

## 7. Other Business

No other item of business was brought forward.

## PUBLIC QUESTIONS


### 8. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Residents invited working group to Heritage Week in February 2020.

### 9. ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the November 13, 2019, Neighbourhood Character Working Group meeting at 7 p.m.

Certified Correct:

Chair 

Staff 