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Northern Hills Community Association

Summary of Board Meeting

Jan 29, 2020

GUEST UPDATES	
President's Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGM Apr 9, 6-9 @ HHChurch <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bylaw/Objects update • Approval to pursue NHCA Offices, Business Incubator <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Consideration of a business incubator on this land • Casino Apr 14-15 • Signage LOC in progress • Call-out to community partners for community business surveys & research support interest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ward 3 will help make some connections and has some room resource available
Ward 3 Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Line: 100m budget for transit solutions for whole of Calgary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2b estimated for the LRT North leg • Consideration of BRT solution instead <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Lobbying for starting from North downwards, instead from city centre • Ward open house will be sometime in March, TBA
MLA Calgary North East Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focusing on budgets and tours around communities • Construction may start for the Calgary North high school around Aug/Sep • Age/income cheques delivery time moved to the 1st of the month
MLA Calgary North Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MLA present and encourages feedback via AB website
MP Calgary Nose Hill Office	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MP held press conference today, with key focuses of policy available publicly online • Townhall held before the new parliamentary session • Career services session to be held later this season too
Vivo Representative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief Evolution Officer is present: • Pilot on registered day care at Vivo in the future - "Play Care" • Hosting upcoming Open Houses - Ward 3 & MP Sahota - Feb 8th/12th • Expansion: Currently working on design this year, hope to be constructing in 2021 and completed in 2023

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Play Project representative - working further with community associations and their optional amenities agreements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aiming to door knock on every resident's door in Coventry and Panorama • Aiming to be open in summer 2020 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Play sessions at least once a week ○ Recruiting play ambassadors to lead in communities ○ Recruiting individuals to become "play scientists" ○ To find out more: Vivoplayproject.com
CPS Liaison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lots of idling, empty cars • Service requests always available through 311 or CPS website • Emphasis on importance of mental health • Catalytic converter theft has been investigated and resolved
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**Northern Hills Community Association
Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator Board Report
January 2020**

PRIORITY ITEMS	
Annual Compliance Items	<p>This letter is designed to be an information tool to inform you of the LOC agreement requirement due dates and is a proactive approach to assist you in meeting the submission requirements in a timely manner. Was emailed to the board on January 21, hard copy mailed the same day.</p> <p>A couple of outstanding items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual proof of filing from AB Corporate Registries – last one on file is 2017 (filed as of 2018/05/16). • Business Plan accompanying budget. Business Plan for 2018-2021 was submitted but deemed incomplete until a more recent version of the budget is submitted. <p>Please submit the above two items as soon as possible. Thank you!</p>
Optional Amenities Agreement (OAA) – Country Hills Estates	<p>Parks has been working with representatives of Country Hills Estates who have requested planters on the median. An optional amenity agreement is required to ensure that Calgary Parks knows who is looking after them. There would be no cost associated with this OAA – soil, watering and plants would be the responsibility of the community group to provide.</p> <p>Would the NHCA be willing to enter into this agreement? Motion required.</p>
Connecting City Resources	
2020 Community Clean-Up	<p>REGISTRATION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registration applications will be accepted through 311 (on-line) available through an online link at www.calgary.ca/cleanup beginning Thursday, January 2 through to Tuesday, January 31, 2020. • The Community Cleanups are extremely popular, and we have new communities wanting events every year. We ask that you fill out the registration application as complete as possible. Communities that fail to provide enough detail will result in a lower evaluation score. • As part of your application, please also include a draft site plan for us to review • You will be assigned a Customer Service Request (CSR) number, and that number will have your reference number for the rest of the year. • Upon final approval of your date, Community Associations must provide marketing and promotional material like BOLD sign information, posters etc. for approval before advertising publicly. Failure to do so may result in a cancellation of a cleanup. • Contact Katie Yeung with any questions or need further information. 403-268-1823 or katie.yeung@calgary.ca

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Harvest Hills Hub	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science camps - 8-week program in summer 2020 for children - working with NPC and a science camp organization 								

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Hub Events 2020 – Simple Schedule

Parade of Garage Sales – Saturday, May 2nd, 2020. 9am-2pm.

Plant Exchange - May 23rd 23rd/24th /30th 31st 1:30pm – 3:30pm. (Date TBD)
In conjunction with Harvest Hills Community Gardens.

Soccer Wind Up – Victoria ask Yana date/time.

Dog Adoption Event - June 6th/7th. (Date TBD)

Neighbour Day – Saturday, June 20th. 2-6pm.

Maker's Market – Friday, July 10th 6-9pm.

** (Tentative) Hub Olympics – Friday, July 24th. **Held at HH Community Gardens.

Bike/Scooter/Wheelchair Parade – Sunday, August 23rd (1-3pm) **Held at HH Community Gardens.

Book Swap - Sunday, Sept 20th 12pm-3pm. Meet at 11am.

Halloween Festival - Saturday, October 31st, 2020 12-4pm. Set up 10-12pm, take down 5pm.

Series Events:

Hula Hoop Classes – (Tuesdays? 7-8pm) June 8th or 15th – Sept 8th.

Yoga Classes with Lexie Major – (Thursdays? 7-8pm) June 11th - September 10th.

Science Camp at the Hub – NPC Program Funding is approved! Nikki is working with Mad Science and Angela Williams to set up a schedule.

Maybe? If we can get outside support/funds:

Movie in the Park.
Seniors' Event.

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Creating Coventry

- Now has some team members
- Report Attached:

Creating Coventry Partner Update – January 2020

1. PARKS PROJECTS

CC1: COVENTRY SPORT COURT & RINK

Background: During the initial Creating Coventry resident co-creation, Park 13 (aka Roundabout Park) was selected for social spaces and elements that would invite more young adult users. In addition, creating all season and all ages amenities were top themes which emerged, as well as the desire for a “real” basketball court being ranked top by local youth. And so, the “Coventry Sport Court & Rink” was chosen as the first community parks redevelopment project to be focused on. Planning and fundraising began for this project in late 2017.

Update: The basketball court was completed in summer 2019. Residents were utilizing the court as soon as it was constructed, and it has been a popular amenity throughout summer and fall. One resident even cleared away the snow so it could be used in November!



The opening celebration was delayed by the Creating Coventry team several times throughout summer and fall as we waited for the CFEP decision. It was starting to look bleak, but we were finally approved in November for the requested \$101,648. Along with the \$25,000 from the Parks Foundation Calgary/Saddledome Foundation Amateur Sport Grant received earlier in 2019, this will now allow the winter water supply for the rink to be built as well as the raised planting bed seating and the sunflower garden. The final matching funding push, for sponsorships from local businesses for the winter water supply box can now go ahead as well, and will be the fundraising focus of our team in early 2020.

CC2: FIVE SE COVENTRY PARKS

Background: Residents were polled on what they would like to see for the three park renovations we will be working on in the older, SE part of Coventry. Parks 4 & 8 had already been replaced as tot lots by the City of Calgary in recent years, due to critical equipment failure.

From the data gathered:

- Park 3 was the clear choice of parkour/climbing wall, both as the top choice for this park, and for the amenity.
- Park 5 was chosen by residents for the natural playground and landscaping amenity.
- Park 6 was second choice for the parkour/climbing wall (highest choice for this park), but also was the first choice for a social space.

Update: In order to not duplicate amenities, we gave residents another chance to decide what should go into Park 6. Residents decided to make this a “games and social park”, including items like an outdoor table tennis table and chess tables with seating under the existing gazebo that can double as picnic tables.

Two volunteer families, who live near parks 3 and 6, helped to create a “wish board” for each, to help inform the design choices for these parks. This information was used to apply for a \$5000 Parks Foundation Calgary Stella Conceptual Drawing Grant, which we were awarded in December 2019. Five



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companies supplied us with quotes, so we will announce the chosen landscape architects once we have received confirmation of acceptance and have notified the other 4 companies.

CC3: INCLUSIVE & ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND

This project remains on hold. When the City budget allows the series of inclusive and accessible play spaces to be installed by Calgary Parks, Coventry Hills is on the radar to be included in the list of locations, despite our lack of a regional park in Ward 3, and the community residents will help to co-create this amenity.

CC4: DOG PARK

Background: An off-leash dog park has been identified as a definite need for the residents of Coventry Hills, both for many years prior to, and during our initial Creating Coventry consultations. A volunteer group was formed to look in to the possibility of creating a dog park in the area.

Update: An information package for the MLA/Minister has been prepared, and this is due to be moved forward in January 2020. The proposed site is the TUC south of Stoney Trail, along the north edge of the community, between the two Stoney Trail intersections (Harvest Hills Blvd/Centre Street N to the west and 11 St NE to the east).

CC5: PUMP TRACK

Background: A pump track was identified as a top amenity desired by residents. The Creating Coventry team began working with Brookfield Residential in 2018 to see if we could work together to create a pump track along the north-south TUC, or adjacent to the site proposed for the dog park, that would benefit not only Coventry residents, but those in the new community of Livingston as well.

Update: Brookfield Residential made space in the southern portion of the Livingston development area, and created a temporary pump track using fill, which went live in summer 2019.

Access remains an issue for residents south of Stoney Trail, as biking to the site is difficult (no access via bike paths or trails from Coventry Hills across Stoney). This is being addressed by the Creating Coventry team and Ward 3 (see CC7).

CC6: POLLINATOR CORRIDOR – NATURALIZATION PILOT

Background: “Enriching the natural environment of park spaces by including native vegetation and “wild” spaces; creating habitat for urban wildlife, reducing maintenance, and providing beautiful and imaginative play spaces for all four seasons” was one of the Six Big Ideas for Coventry Hills identified through the initial Creating Coventry co-creation engagements with residents. Creation of a pollinator corridor was mentioned several times and chosen specifically as residents’ proposals for 3/14 park renovations, making it significantly important to Coventry Hills residents.

Update: Two medians were naturalized by resident volunteers with help from Calgary Parks in summer 2019; this is only the second median naturalization pilot project in the city, with the first being in Canyon Meadows.

The wet summer helped the pollinator corridor to flourish, and several species flowered and filled the medians during the first growing season, so resident volunteers didn’t have to water too often, but did have to weed several times. The Calgary Parks Environmental Education team will be coming out in spring 2020 to assess the overwintering, and to help volunteers better identify which plants should stay and which need to be removed.



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Our success so far has inspired a few other communities to look at naturalization, and we are working with Beddington Heights CA’s Reimagine Beddington group to help them fulfil their ambitions of greening Beddington.

CC7: WAYFINDING & GREENWAY LINK

Background: Finding our way around a curvilinear community can be tough; for a new Calgarian, it can feel even tougher, especially if English is not your first language and you’re not sure where to go to find out information about what’s available to you in your new community. Add the Creating Coventry Project redeveloping our park spaces and spreading out the new amenities, and you have a recipe for the need for a wayfinding system!

Update: The main group of Creating Coventry volunteers continues to investigate how best to serve both residents and visitors with easy to use wayfinding, within the Calgary bylaws, and has been incorporating this principle into all of the other projects.

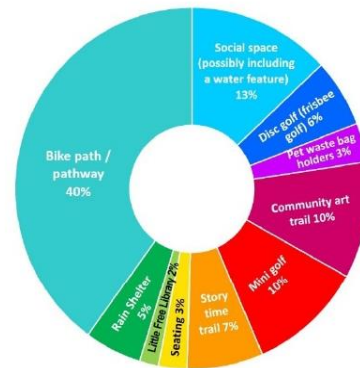
(a) Activating the North Coventry Utility Corridor:

Background: We applied for the FCC/City of Calgary’s Activate YYC 2.0 grant in spring 2019 to activate the utility corridor in the north half of Coventry Hills, originally with the idea of installing a “Storytime Trail” or something similar.

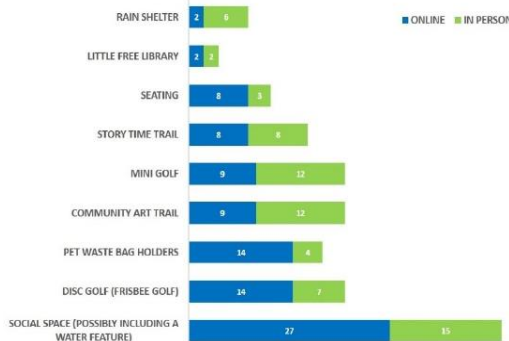
Update: During late summer 2019, we asked residents what they would like to see in the corridor to activate it. We held conversations on social media (mainly in the existing community Facebook groups) to get some ideas for the pop-up, in-person engagement for community residents who used the corridor or lived nearby to suggest and vote on. Using these results as a base, we then held an online poll.

A young teen resident suggested a community social space with a water feature during the pop-up, and this was by far the most popular choice in both polls, after installing the orphan pathway, which was unfortunately not feasible for the (approx.) \$1500 grant. We worked with her to align her vision to the community’s requests and come up with the idea of a community picnic table, with a small water feature. Residents were polled about what colour they

**COVENTRY NORTH UTILITY CORRIDOR
IN-PERSON SURVEY**

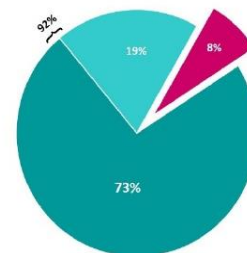


TUC ACTIVATION SURVEY



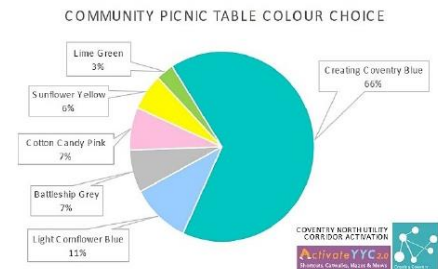
**COVENTRY NORTH UTILITY CORRIDOR
ONLINE SURVEY**

■ I strongly support a bike path for this area.
■ I believe there are other higher priorities in the community.
■ I am against this area ever having a bike path.



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would like to see it painted during the sight line survey and online. Due to the popularity of the installation of the orphan pathway, we are working with the Ward 3 office and the City of Calgary Liveable Streets team on moving this up the list of unfunded, orphan pathways with the aim of it being funded in the next round of orphan pathway installations, when the City budget allows.



The installation event (painting & potluck) for October had to be rescheduled due to the weather and the community picnic table parts were painted with base coats indoors in a volunteer's basement, prior to assembly. Unfortunately, the rescheduled date was even colder, but a few keen residents braved the freezing rain and snow to support the opening! We will be holding a separate community event in spring-summer 2020, to finally finish painting the community picnic tables and to install a water feature. This water feature will have to have funds raised for it, as the weather didn't allow us to install one before the grant deadline date, so solar lighting was purchased instead, to help prevent further vandalism at the site (see below).



In addition to the community picnic tables, we also installed pet waste bag holders on the garbage cans along the corridor, which were identified during the polls as a cheap and easy thing to do, and a big ask at the doors during the sight light survey. This simple installation was in itself groundbreaking as the Calgary Parks has previously not allowed installations of anything on their garbage cans (other than wraps).

On a positive note, this project has already achieved its goals of building community:

1. Two neighbour families who had never spoken before met each other at the opening.
2. Within 24 hours of the tables being installed, two youth were seen vandalizing them, and reported to the police and community. Within a couple of hours, the damage had been repaired by another community resident, who had seen the news about it on the community Facebook page.

(b) Community Wayfinding Map:

We have approached Lindsay Lantela, a local artist that was involved in the Coventry Mural, to help us create a community wayfinding map that can be scaled to be used on the wrap for the rink's winter water supply unit (see CC1), and on the garbage can wraps (below).

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(c) Garbage Can Wraps:

When the parks in CC2 are re-developed, we will be incorporating maps on the garbage can wraps. Ideally, we would also apply for a grant to allow a sub-project which could include these wraps on all of the garbage cans in green spaces in Coventry Hills. We are also investigating whether we can include QR codes that connect to an online map with information on each park space and amenities, plus other points of interest in the community.

(d) Rotary Mattamy Greenway Link:

We continue to explore how to link Coventry Hills to the Rotary Mattamy Greenway, which runs to the north of Stoney Trail. We invited Parks Foundation Calgary and Ward 3 to meet with a member of the Transportation Infrastructure team from the City during fall 2019. The result of the meeting (and the previous advocacy by our Councillor and the Ward 3 office) was that pedestrian and bike connectivity will be being included in the two Stoney Trail builds at both Harvest Hills Blvd/Centre Street N and the new 11 St NE intersection at the time of the build, rather than many years later. This will not only connect our residents to the Greenway and help us to access the pump track in Livingston, but connect the new communities north of Coventry to our network of community designed park redevelopments.

2. SUPPORTING PROJECTS & MORE

PARKS ASSESSMENTS (Nov 2019)

Background: Several times each year all of the City parks' playground equipment is assessed for safety and its condition is graded from 1-4.

Update: In November 2019, the Coventry Hills playground assessments showed that several playgrounds had deteriorated since we started this project in 2017. Two had been assessed as "4 - Poor", meaning that we needed to have a plan in place for replacement ASAP. Luckily, these two were already being planned for in CC2: Park 3 (COV945, planned to become the climbing & parkour park) and Park 6 (COV929, planned to become the games & social park).

However, as now 10/14 of the Coventry playgrounds have been graded as "3 - Fair", we need to consider holding a community engagement to co-create a list of priorities for the community: which of the chosen amenities from the Creating Coventry report are a priority, and which parks do we put them in first? The Creating Coventry team will be considering the best ways to do this over the coming months.

COMMUNITY HALLOWEEN COSTUME SWAP (Oct 2019)

Background: In 2018, Creating Coventry collected gently used Halloween costumes with the aim of costumes being recycled: passed on from one child to another, and one family to another, as children grow so Northern Hills families don't have to spend hundreds of dollars every Halloween on a brand new (to you) costume just to go out and have some trick-or-treating fun.

Update: Thanks to all the costume donations from community members in 2018-19, the first annual Community Halloween Costume Swap in the Northern Hills communities took place on October 5th, 2019. The event was fantastic, with a turnout of around 43



Creating Coventry Update – January 2020 (v.2)

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families, and the cycle can start over again next year with the remaining costumes and any that are donated again in 2020.

Costumes are currently being stored in boxes in residents' homes to make this project feasible on donations alone. Vivo donated the space for the swap event and a door prize, NHCA lent advertising support and a door prize, and Haunted Calgary gave us two golden tickets for free entry to their opening weekend at New Horizons Mall that we gave away in a contest on our Facebook page.

Thanks for creating #CommunityByCommunity with us!

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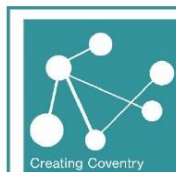
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P.s. We were featured in a few articles and guides this year, too! Check out:

- Calgary Foundation's *20 Years of Neighbour Grants* (p.16 in the hardcopy):
[https://calgaryfoundation.org/FlipBooks/NEIGHBOURHOOD GRANTS/index.html](https://calgaryfoundation.org/FlipBooks/NEIGHBOURHOOD_GRANTS/index.html)
- Alberta Views Oct 2019 (Vol 22, #8, pp 60-61 "Constituency Close Up: Calgary North East):
<https://albertaviews.ca/>
- Parks Foundation Calgary's *Community Projects 101 Resources*:
<https://www.parksfdn.com/communityprojectsresources> (External resources)



Creating Coventry is a community-driven plan to improve and connect our neighbourhood's parks.

It is a collaboration between community residents, the Northern Hills Community Association and Vivo for Healthier Generations.



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Community Advisors & Guests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community resident present who is concerned about traffic calming in Country Hills area
BOARD BUSINESS	
Executive Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bylaw review Update: submission will be made after AGM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feb bylaw review – asking for committee, commitment to meet twice before Feb board meeting. Committee review: process to date <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Projects vs. Committee/Standing vs. Ad-hoc The consideration of e-mails assigned to new directors (have a "Director at Large" emails instead) Vivo expansion will effect NHCA office space (heads-up for construction beginning August 2021) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note Vivo has not explicitly asked us to move, but NHCA may consider securing a separate space CCSD LOC space was not able to be negotiated Consideration of the value of being located in Vivo Consideration that many CAs which have physical space feel that they have an "albatross" around their neck. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Look into successful CAs --> Thorncliffe CA's success Willingness of the board to "hop" around and be a "board without walls" so that NHCA can carefully consider all the pros and cons in consideration of space. Call for a SWOT analysis about space options for the CA. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consideration that it will have to be "staged" SWOT analysis to bring to the AGM and the membership and/or a special meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clarification on the "What" before the "How" Need to review clearly our Objects for the AGM Motion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> "NHCA will explore and analyze the possibilities and ramifications of NHCA getting their own space." All in Favour, Motion Carried The City of Calgary may be able to fund and build our office space (which they have budget for) along with affordable housing (i.e. "attainable homes") on the Panorama LOC land which NHCA has rights to currently

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consideration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Will NHCA be property managers (potential future income) and/or just on the condo board ○ Insurance on buildings ○ Density of adding another condo to the neighbourhood ○ Concerns about parking, school zone consideration • Ward 3 is currently developing a plan to present to NHCA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Looking to determine costs first ○ Meeting will be in a couple of weeks, should be before the AGM ○ May go to present again in front of board again, and then in front of the members at the AGM • Consideration of the Panorama E-Centre already in the community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conversation had taken place between NHCA president and Panorama E-Centre -- will build around each-other, adapt to each-other <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding and confirmed that Panorama E-Centre would not receive the Panorama LOC • Aurora Office Space area (near T&T in Harvest Hills) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Calgary may also be able to fund office space &/or business incubator space • Another consideration of: Space in the upcoming Urgent Care Centre
Finance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial finalization and submission for audit. • Financial dashboard in progress. Working towards incorporating financials and membership information.
Fundraising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Casino Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 14 & 15, 2020 at PURE Casino (in the NE) • Casino Application is ready to be submitted • Volunteer Management Tool <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Volunteer Connector (Propellus) – Free access to Beta Version ○ Set up complete, Board to pilot portal before general release ○ NHCA website ready to link to portal (nhca.ca/casino) • Call for volunteers will go out with February Newsletter <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Social Media to support ○ Consideration of the volunteers from last casino
Events & Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questioning the intention of events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E.g. Why did we host Skatetacular? • Events should be supporting our communities and we should see the resources effectively being used in events • Better understand the value of each event

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will start from the committee analysis as per above • Do a "Descartes" - challenge everything - Do we need to be doing this? • Consideration and general agreement that it may be that each committee should actually have "events" instead of having an "Events" director to do everything • AGM: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee: -- considerations of details • Feb 17th (Family Day) - Break A Lego - needs a person to represent NHCA table • There is a big need to re-vise the whole management of events. Currently recurrent/annual events are struggling with essential leading manpower since they are not driven by particular committee group and rather by just two people, Events Director and Engagement Coordinator. Most of the time this is not enough manpower to carry out numerous events throughout the year. The current vision for the future committee driven events is to empower committees to lead it with resourcefulness, guidance and approval from the Events Director and Engagement Coordinator. Annual events that are organized in partnerships will need to be revised and studied a bit more on how they need to be delivered from the NHCA's end. • In a meanwhile we will look at proposing some forms to use. • The next steps will be to create Events Policy and Procedures for the future and currently committed events. • As of April 1, Events Director is stepping away from overseeing events as a director. Still planning to stay on the board to help create a smooth transition and mentorship as needed.
<p>Communications</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In order to create some consistency and ease the submission procedure we will be creating a process for Social Media Post Requests. Then we will communicate to the board and committees to submit their Social Media Communication requests about their upcoming activities at least 48 hrs in advance. It will need to be submitted over email to both Communications Director and Engagement Coordinator with the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date to have it out • Description of the event • Photos/Graphics • Any other details • There is a need and recognized big importance to react and re-share the NHCA's generated social media content through the Directors' personal social media accounts. It is important and would be the most best natural way to spread the word about NHCA on Social Media platforms.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scheduling social media software will help us during the busy spring and summer seasons when we have multiple events and projects happening at the same time. We will look into platforms that will help us schedule Social Media posts and quote them. • Need a tool to help us collaborate and strategize for the communication and promotion of incoming requests. Agreed to give a try to Trello so that way we can stay in touch and know what is being submitted. We will create a board in Trello and will dive into the ways we can organize it. • Excitingly waiting to hear more about the Marketing Calendar on which assigned director is currently working on as it will be very helpful to pin the dates for communications and promotions of predictable/annual projects. • Request from board adjacents (e.g. HHHub and CC) to share more of their social media (should be reciprocal) and all other channels (e.g. Bold Signs) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Branding of NHCA events • Needs a checklist for communications published/posted
Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm who is Director of Membership <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee volunteers • Business Support Options <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Analyze existing community supports, identify gaps and opportunities for NHCA to broaden / enhance support.
NHN Newsletter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special Issues for the year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Issue <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Push for the new health facility ○ Possibility for month of June • Local Business Issue • May attract various different advertisers related to the specific issue
Advocacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update from @nd Vice President on Uplyft Youth as per Nov meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Response re: Due Diligence, they have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Insured group ○ Have a separate oversight board ○ Completed specialized training for those who contact with the students ○ Their ultimate goal is "operational" and executing the groups rather than decision-making.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NHCA still wanting to know what exactly will be applicable for the Northern Hills community.
Sports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Photographer • Hilltoppers Football <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently plays in Northern Hills area • Sports Director will explore the possibility of this organization joining with NHCA Sports • Registration Event <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feb 28th, 6pm-9pm at the NHCA Office • Will have different payment options (not just online credit card as previously) • Crave Cupcakes will be donating cupcakes • Flyers are out now • Program updates and numbers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All programs will have Bold Signs • Slo-pitch • Ultimate Frisbee • Field Hockey • Soccer • NHCA Membership Waiver <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requests from community members for waivers of membership fees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Approval of Jumpstart or Kickstart - as long as they have the Third Party approval • Motion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Be it that "the NHCA accepts that should sports programs applicants have been approved through Third-Party verification of low-income status, the Sports Director may waive the membership fee at the favour of the Sports Director discretion." ○ All in Favour, Motion is Carried • Budget
Arts and Crafts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acrylics Workshop April 4 w/ Panorama – this is a beta class in prep for full Acrylics program • Vivo craft pop-up Feb 1, and Feb 17 at Break-a-lego • Will have a budget request ready for February
AHIH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officialized as an organization providing Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP) for 2020 year

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently undergoing tax clinic volunteer recruitment/ volunteer CRA approval process • In need of space to hold the clinic -- March to April 2020
Beautification and Gardens	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wind on Panora Way - concerned residents • Budget for Coventry Entry Gardens <p>Updates from Engagement Coordinator.</p> <p>Harvest Garden</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waiting to hear back on their proposed budget for the upcoming 2020 season. <p>Coventry Garden</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Met with the North Calgary Cultural Association (NCCA) in early Fall 2019 and resolved the outstanding concerns about the raised wicking beds. Will be meeting with the Coventry Garden team and the NCCA representatives in February to go over the details for the upcoming 2020 season. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A community resident is interested in fixing the Coventry sign for free • Owned by the residents, they should knock on the residents' door again and communicate again
BSC / BlockWatch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Still meeting with other communities about BSC programs in their communities
Rinks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on Rinks and liner • Potential free skate clinic
Marketing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calendar Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next Steps • Get in the Loop proposal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request permission to explore opportunity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Community Connections account (NHCA account) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Getting in the loop for less for local businesses • 50 members = 1 loop ○ Current users in Calgary: around 20,000 ○ Has the geo-location function; like search engine, not like Groupon (e.g. payment is direct to the organization) ○ Is this a value add to business membership ○ Based in Kelowna, BC

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IT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New laptops and monitors • IVRNET issues and Replacement
MOTION TO ADJOURN	<p>A Motion to Adjourn was called at: 11:10pm</p> <p>All in Favor, None Opposed, Motion Carried</p>