

27 June 2023

City of Courtenay
Development Department
830 Cliffe Ave.
Courtenay, BC V9N 2J7

Attn: Mike Grimsrud, Planner II

Dear Mr. Grimsrud,

In response to our call yesterday, please find our public engagement process to date for the redevelopment of the 1560 Grieve Ave. property.

Ongoing Online presentation. The 1560 project has a sub-site on LCV's website (daily hits 200+), and updates on the project are regularly posted to our Facebook (500+ followers) and Instagram sites. LCV also sends out a monthly newsletter to our core supporters (300+) that often feature the project.

Ongoing Site signage. The rezoning signage posted on the front lawn of the property clearly directs those interested to the City's development tracker app, where all relevant information has been uploaded.

8 June 2023 - Open House. This event, held at the *I Belong Centre* (1465 Grieve Ave) was open to the public and widely advertised on social media. Additionally, LCV reached out to strategic partners and public figures. The event was well-attended, and in addition to tours of the building and explanations of what happens there, the 1560 project was prominently displayed with pictures of the building and floor plans. Board and Project Development Team members were on hand, tasked with providing further information and answering questions. All the feedback we received at this event was overwhelmingly positive.

26 August 2022 - Project Information Session. This event was held outside the *I Belong Centre*, and was advertised with flyers to the surrounding neighbourhood using an address list provided by the City. Drawings and plans were on display and many neighbours came by - possibly drawn by the free hotdogs? Architectural Designer John Gower was present, as were all members of the Project Development Team. All the feedback we received at this event was positive.

LCV is also a member of the Coalition to End Homelessness, providing updates as requested to keep the housing/not-for-profit sector informed.

In summation, we have received no negative feedback with regards to the proposed project, and feel that our neighbourhood has been given ample opportunity both to inform themselves and express their concerns, but if you feel additional opportunities should be provided, we will be happy to do so.

Thanks for working with us to realize this vital housing project.

Sincerely,



Hollie Card
Executive Director
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