

May 3, 2023

FOI No: 2023-27

Redacted S. 22

VIA E-MAIL – Redacted S. 22

Dear Redacted S. 22,

Re: Request for Records
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

The City of White Rock has reviewed your request for access to the following records pursuant to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (the “Act”):

- *all communication records (emails, agreements, meeting agendas and notes, phone calls) associated with the Jingle Bell Rock event of December 2019. I am seeking communications between Mayor Darryl Walker and/or Director of Recreation Eric Stepura and/or former Mayor Catherine Ferguson, and/or Executive Director of the SSWR Chamber of Commerce - Ritu Khanna, and/of Executive Director of the White Rock BIA - Alex Nixon; and/or the former liaison person with Surrey Tourism responsible for White Rock Tourism - Cathy James; and/or Councilor Helen Fathers.*
- *I am requesting records for the period August 15, 2019 through December 31, 2019*
- *Meeting notes from a meeting held at the White Rock Museum held in early September to discuss the project that was eventually named Jingle Bell Rock and a second meeting held in early October at the White Rock Museum on the same topic. In addition, I am requesting notes related to two meetings at City Hall hosted by Mayor Walker to discuss the planning of the Jingle Bell Rock event.*

Access to some of the records requested is available, and there were no records found / meeting notes from staff in regard to the specifically noted meeting held early September 2019. Some of the information in the records provided is excepted from the disclosure requirements of the Act. I have severed the excepted information so that I could disclose to you the remaining information as attached.

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The severed information is excepted from disclosure under section 22 of the Act. Severing under section 22 is necessary to avoid disclosing third-party personal information without permission

Please note in regard to phone calls: An inquiry was made with our IT department in regard to phone calls / logs and I was informed of the following:

TELUS do not provide the City with detailed cellphone call records and the City's on-premises telephone equipment retains up to three (3) months of landline call records (three months from the current day). In this regard there is no information to provide.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Arthur". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Tracey Arthur
Director of Corporate Administration

Att.

If you believe that the City of White Rock has been unreasonable in its handling of your request, you may ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review our response. You have 30 days from receipt of this notice to request a review by writing to:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner
3rd Floor, 756 Fort Street
Victoria BC V8W 1H2

Should you decide to request a review, please provide the Commissioner's office with:

1. your name, address and telephone number;
2. a copy of this letter;
3. a copy of your original request sent to the City of White Rock; and
4. the reasons or grounds upon which you are requesting the review.

Debbie Johnstone

From: Elizabeth Keurvorst
Sent: October 18, 2019 12:01 PM
To: Eric Stepura
Subject: Summary of Christmas at the Waterfront meeting and update details - Festival of Lights + Special Event

Hi Eric

Below is a summary of what's happened so far (it's a bit wordy but you may have to do a Council report so this could help get that started). I have set up a follow up meeting with Alex for 29th so we can confirm their partnership. I did not send these to Chris for distribution as I don't believe that would be helpful to have these notes out there. These is for our use only.

Chris is up to speed and will send out an invite for the week of Nov 4.

Winter at the Waterfront Draft Meeting Notes – October 17, 2019

In attendance: Mayor Walker, Alex Nixon, Executive Director, BIA, Ritu Khanna, Executive Director, WRSS Chamber of Commerce, **Redacted S. 22**, Chair, Waterfront Development Task Force, **s.22**, White Rock Festival of Lights Society

Redacted S. 22, White Rock Festival of Lights Society, City Departments: Engineering & Municipal Operations: Jim Gordon, Director, Recreation & Culture: Elizabeth Keurvorst, Manager Cultural Development

Background

There are two winter initiatives working in tandem:

1. The White Rock Festival of the Lights Society (WRFL) wish to beautify and light up the waterfront from December 6 to January 6, and,
2. The BIA and the WRSS Chamber and other community businesses and organizations wish to create a Christmas/winter themed special event on December 7.

Mayor Walker stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss synergies resulting in:

- A lit up waterfront area during the dark winter season
- Enthusiasm from the businesses to participate in winter initiatives
- More people visiting White Rock during the off season

White Rock Festival of Lights – December 6, 2019 to January 6, 2020

This initiative, led by the WRFL Society, is working directly with the Engineering & Municipal Operations. Out of scope is a special event. In scope are the following details, being followed up on by Jim Gordon:

- Christmas themed lighting starting on December 7th on the Pier
- RGB lights on the museum before December 7th
- Six foot tall fir trees in buckets on the concrete amphitheater seating and around Memorial Park.
- Power on the median with trees in East Beach, west of Finlay and in front of the “Sea Shell Store” so they can be lit.
- Ideas for more affordable insurance for the WRFL Society’s initiative
- Monitoring, as needed, with **s.22** of Crescent electrical for a permit and plugging in lights.

A Saturday Dec 7 Special Event during the White Rock Festival of Lights

While the Festival of Lights is a multi-day winter lights initiative, the desire to create a one-day special event in December at the waterfront was raised by the BIA and the WRSS Chamber of commerce.

The WRSS Chamber of Commerce has no budget or organizing team. They will provide in-kind marketing assistance and send a representative to the community committee.

The BIA will confirm that it has the capacity to partner with the City’s special event team to plan, coordinate and execute a special event on December 7 as a “B” level event.

Once BIA partnership is confirmed, the event is envisioned for December 7 from 1:30-5:30, followed by the International Yacht Club’s Sail Past 5:30-6:30. Activities could include:

- A large tent with clear walls on Memorial plaza, lit with small roof lights creating a snow globe effect
- A riser inside for choirs and other entertainers
- Ice sculptures outdoors on the plaza
- The Museum Christmas Craft Fair
- Dickens style carolers
- Visit from Santa, Letters to Santa

Next Steps

White Rock Festival of Lights: Jim Gordon and **Redacted S. 22** will continue to meet to plan and confirm details of the lighting initiative

Dec 7 Special Event – Working name: “Jingle Bell Rock” at the White Rock Festival of Lights: If the special events team confirm BIA partnership as a “B” level event, the next programming and logistics meeting will take place October 29 with Courtney, Elizabeth and BIA programming team. If partnership is not secured, the City will have to decide whether to take the event on as an “A” level, or not hold an event.

Next Community Meeting for both groups:

Mayor’s office to schedule next update meeting with the entire group, to include:

- Mayor Walker
- Alex Nixon, Executive Director, BIA
- Ritu Khanna, Executive Director, WRSS Chamber of Commerce
- **Redacted S. 22**, Chair, Waterfront Development Task Force
- **Redacted S. 22**, White Rock Festival of Lights Society

- **Redacted S. 22**, White Rock Festival of Lights Society
- City Departments:
- Engineering & Municipal Operations: Jim Gordon, Director
- Recreation & Culture: Elizabeth Keurvorst, Manager Cultural Development and/or
- Eric Stepura Director Recreation & Culture

Chris is adding

- Kathy James, White Rock Tourism
- Karin Bjerke-Lisle, Museum

Elizabeth Keurvorst

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Debbie Johnstone

From: Eric Stepura
Sent: October 27, 2019 5:08 PM
To: Redacted S. 22
Subject: Re: Dec 7 event and WRFL

I will be in touch.

Enjoy your rest and relaxation...

Hot tea.. that's a great idea.

Ciao for now

Eric

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From: Redacted S. 22 Redacted S. 22
Sent: Sunday, October 27, 2019 11:12:02 AM
To: Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Re: Dec 7 event and WRFL

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Eric

That sounds great. If you need anything from us let me know. I will try and get more specifics from telus regarding their booth size etc.

I like the name of event..way better that holiday event. You know we could probably get a reindeer down there..lol but I think its against the bylaws.

I am sitting in the sun having a tea....ahhh very nice.

Enjoy the rest of the weekend.

Redacted S. 22

On Oct 27, 2019, at 8:59 AM, Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca> wrote:

Redacted S. 22

You are very welcome.

We should set up a time to meet following our planning session with the BIA on October 29. I will have more details then about the Dec 7 Jingle Bell Rock event..

I will arrange to get you and s.22 keys to the removable bollards at Memorial Park so you can provide access for the security guards vehicle on the Plaza.

Enjoy the sunny weekend.. 😊

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From: Redacted S. 22 Redacted S. 22 >
Sent: Saturday, October 26, 2019 8:04:05 AM
To: Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Re: Dec 7 event and WRFL

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Eric,

Thank you for coming down to the plaza Friday for the meeting with Jim, s.22 s.22 and I.

The businesses on the waterfront are excited. s.22 is getting great feedback with his door to door living tree sales.

Telus is a corporate sponsor and will be putting up a stall/booth and have give aways.

Can you please let me know what you need to know about WRFL for the December 7th event and for the festival itself over the month.

Thank you Eric I appreciate any guidance you can provide. Thank you for the suggestions of having security park on the plaza at night.

Hope you had a great hike and are feeling better.

Thank you

Redacted S. 22

> On Oct 25, 2019, at 12:04 PM, Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca> wrote:

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Redacted S. 22

Elizabeth is on vacation this week but she sent me a brief of the content of the meeting with you, s.22 the Mayor, BIA,

Chamber, etc.

Elizabeth and I will be meeting early next week to develop our plans for the Dec 7 event. Once that is done, I'd be happy to share them with you and **S.22** so that they are synergistic with the WRFL.

Yes I will attend the 2pm meeting today. Wear your windproof clothes as its expected to be blustery...

Eric

-----Original Message-----

From: **Redacted S. 22** <**Redacted S. 22**>

Sent: October 25, 2019 10:56 AM

To: Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>; Elizabeth Keurvorst <EKeurvorst@whiterockcity.ca>

Subject: Dec 7 event and WRFL

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Good morning

We would like to go thru the staging of the WRFL living tree and large 30' tree installations.

We have mapped out what we believe is the best layout.

We have not had any information since the meeting with the Mayor and are hoping you will share your plans for the event.

It is really important we work together to make this event work to the best of our abilities.

Please share your plans and let's work this through together.

We are meeting at 2 pm today at Memorial Plaza with Jim Gordon and the electrician if you would like to come.

Best,

Redacted S. 22

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[Redacted]

Debbie Johnstone

From: Eric Stepura
Sent: October 29, 2019 2:03 PM
To: Elizabeth Keurvorst
Subject: Accepted: Jingle Bell Rock Planning Meeting

Debbie Johnstone

From: Eric Stepura
Sent: October 29, 2019 9:59 AM
To: Redacted S. 22
Subject: RE: December 7 event name?

s.22

The meeting today is a discussion between the City staff and the BIA staff to determine what if any budget and resources each of us can contribute to a Christmas event on December 07, 2019, and what role each agency will play. It is not an event program planning meeting. That will come later when we've decided that we have the resources to go ahead with hosting an event on Dec 7, 2019.

A tentative name of the Dec 7 event that has been suggested is Jingle Bell Rock. This may change once the collective group doing the event planning gets together.

If the decision is made today for the City and BIA to proceed with an event on Dec 7, you along with event planners from the City, BIA, Chamber, Museum plus other event stakeholders will be invited to an event planning meeting.

It is our intent to seamlessly blend the Dec 7 event with the WRFL.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Redacted S. 22
Sent: October 28, 2019 7:15 PM
To: Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: December 7 event name?

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Eric,

What name is the city calling the December 7 event? People are asking me about a "Christmas event" on the waterfront put on by the city.

In addition, I understand that there is a planning meeting being held tomorrow with your staff, the BIA and Chamber.

If that is correct, what time is that meeting and why have I not been invited?

Best,

S.22

Debbie Johnstone

Subject: Meet with Eric re: Jingle Bell Rock

Location: Courtney's Office

Start: Mon 2019-11-04 1:00 PM

End: Mon 2019-11-04 2:00 PM

Show Time As: Tentative

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Not yet responded

Organizer: Courtney Westwood

Required AttendeesEric Stepura

Debbie Johnstone

From: Redacted S. 22 Redacted S. 22
Sent: November 5, 2019 5:44 PM
To: Eric Stepura
Subject: Re: Dec 7 update

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Thanks Eric.

Redacted S. 22

On Nov 5, 2019, at 5:42 PM, Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca> wrote:

Perfect. See you there.

Yes to a tent on Memorial Park Plaza for setup.

If you are attending the Mayors State of the City Address tomorrow morning or Thursday evening, I will see you there as well.

Enjoy your evening.

Eric

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From: Redacted S. 22 <Redacted S. 22>
Sent: Tuesday, November 5, 2019 4:58:23 PM
To: Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Re: Dec 7 update

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Eric

Does 10:30 Thursday at Verandah coffee shop at the WAG work?

The trees will be decorated Dec 4 and 5th 2-6. I have a small portable tent I want to put up temporarily each day for decorator incase weather is bad. Will that be okay?

Thank you

Redacted S. 22

On Nov 5, 2019, at 1:25 PM, Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca> wrote:

Are you available to meet with me Thursday late afternoon so I can update you before the Friday meeting?

You can also call me at Redacted S. 22

Eric

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From: Redacted S. 22 Redacted S. 22

Sent: Monday, November 4, 2019 7:49:59 PM

To: Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>

Subject: Re: Dec 7 update

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Eric

Thank you for the update. We appreciate all your work and guidance. So great funds were found to have daytime activity.

- the start time for the lights going on for us was darkso 4:30-5 and I believe it will be on a timer.

-Is there not a way we can give the event a combined name? Ie. White Rock Festival of Light with Jingle Bell Rock or ???

-Will WRFL be included with the marketing? I have been asking this in past and have not been clear. When we met with Mayor Walker Friday he was very supportive of this.

-thank you for taking our logistics of WRFL into play with the daytime activities.

Its to bad we won't be go over the combining of events before our meeting on the 8th. My concern is that this kind of detail would be worked thru before presenting to the Mayor??

Your thoughts?

Thank you again.

█.

Redacted S. 22

> On Nov 4, 2019, at 12:26 PM, Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca> wrote:

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Redacted S. 22

Here is an update on the October 29 meeting between City Rec and Culture, BIA and WR/SS Chamber staff regarding the Dec 07 2019 event at Memorial Park Plaza:

- Event name - Jingle Bell Rock
- Time 2:30-6:30pm (tentative)
- Location: Memorial Park Plaza and WR Museum Plaza
- City and BIA will provide budget resources
- City, BIA and Chamber will do event marketing
- A draft program will be presented at the meeting called by the Mayor this Friday November 08
- Event program layout will work around WRFL requirements for tree and light placement
- Event will be combined with the WRFL. Discussion on how to blend the two events will take place at the November 08 meeting

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best Regards,

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-----Original Message-----

From: Redacted S. 22

Sent: November 1, 2019 9:58 AM

To: Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>

Cc: Redacted S. 22 Redacted S. 22

Subject: Dec 7 update

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Hi Eric

TGIF!

You said you would provide update on Dec.7, 2019 event and how WRFL will be able to support and contribute.

I am also interested in logistics as far as the telus booth. We may have other sponsor booth to consider.

Lastly, I am wanting to know how we can promote these events collaboratively.

Looking forward to your update.

Thank you

Redacted S. 22

Debbie Johnstone

From: Courtney Westwood
Sent: November 6, 2019 4:51 PM
To: Eric Stepura
Subject: Jingle Bell WHITE Rock
Attachments: Jingle Bell White Rock Site Map - Memorial Park.pdf

Hi Eric,

Here's a copy of the site map. Also, Alex has agreed to call the event "Jingle Bell White Rock" as it will help in the promotional piece of this event; a suggestion by Communications so, Kaelin is going to start working on the promotion materials now.

Here's a overview of the event:

2:00 pm – event starts
2:00 – 3:00 pm – Christmas Carolers in the plaza
2:30 pm – 4:30 pm – Families and Children Photos with Santa
3:30 pm – 4:00 pm – Performer in the plaza TBD
4:00 – 4:45 pm – Christmas Carolers in the plaza
4:30 pm – 5:30 pm – Pet photos with Santa
5:00 pm – 5:30 pm – Performer in the plaza TBD
5:30 pm – Sail Past (still TBD by Ritu)
6:00 pm – event over

Hillcrest Bakery has confirmed they will donate staff time to look after the gingerbread cookie decorating booth (we will need to buy the cookies from them) and Alex is going to talk with Crazy Cow's on Friday in regards to the Hot Chocolate station.

We will also have a Christmas craft station and a spot where kids can write postcards to Santa and then put them in the mailbox at the Museum.

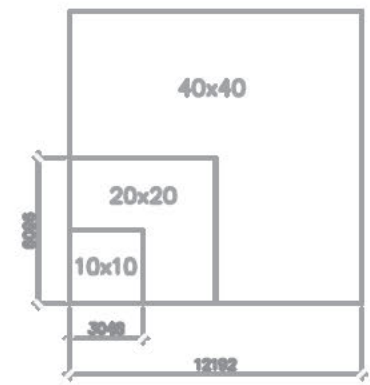
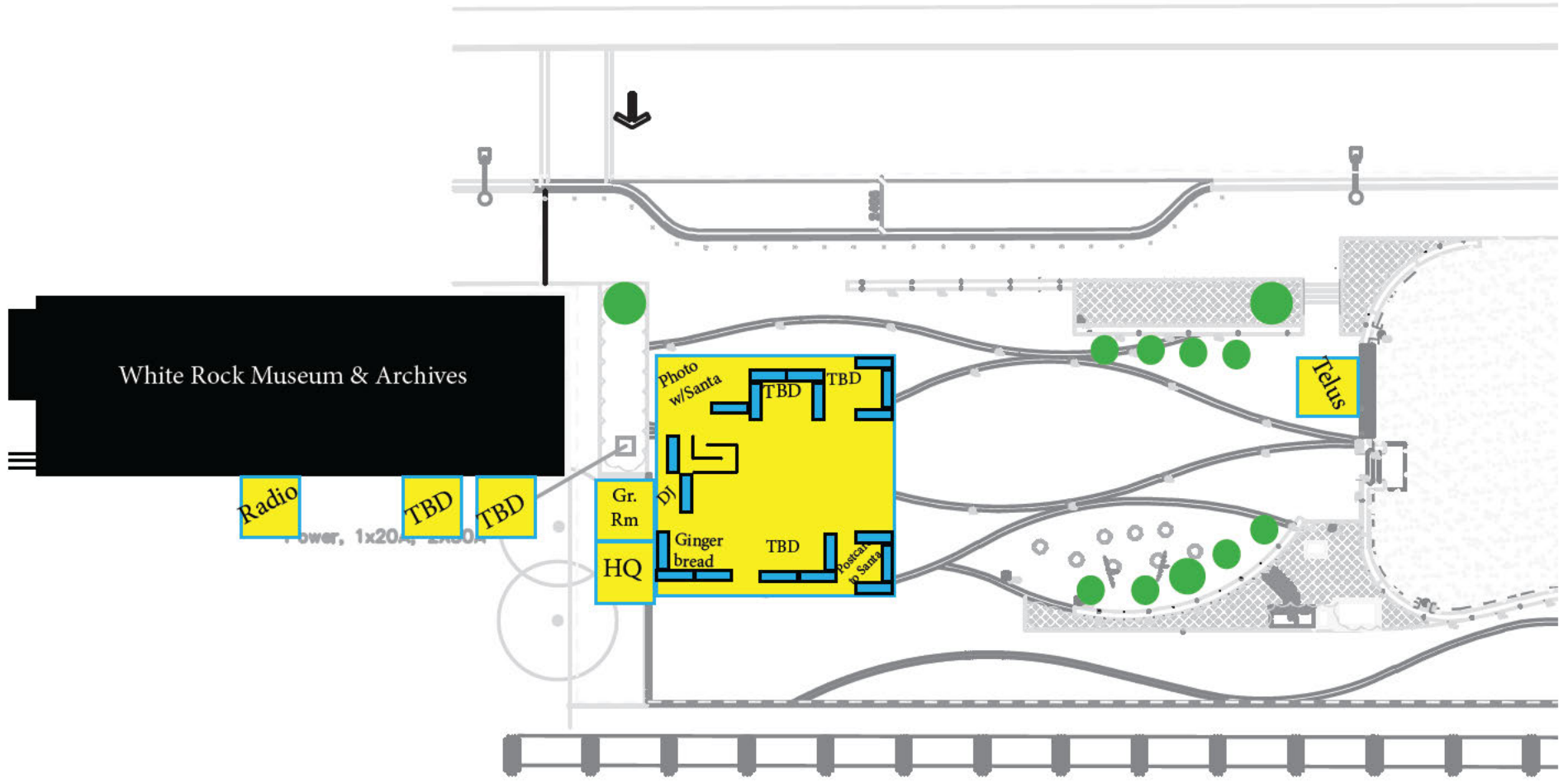
Please call me if you need anything else for your meeting tomorrow.

Thanks!

Courtney Westwood
Special Events Coordinator, Recreation and Culture
City of White Rock, 14600 North Bluff Road, White Rock, BC V6B 3C9
T: 604.541.2252 | C: 778.549.7864



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Debbie Johnstone

From: Eric Stepura
Sent: November 6, 2019 6:59 AM
To: Courtney Westwood
Cc: Elizabeth Keurvorst
Subject: Fwd: www.WRFL.ca

Please include a link to the White Rock Festival of Lights web site on our Jingle Bell Rock promotional material.

Thanks

Eric

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Redacted S. 22
Date: November 5, 2019 at 6:48:58 PM PST
To: Eric Stepura <estepura@whiterockcity.ca>, Executive Director <alex@whiterockbia.com>
Cc: Redacted S. 22, Redacted S. 22
Subject: www.WRFL.ca

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Eric and Alex

Our website is up! Can you please include our link on your webpages? I will also provide by Monday a brief write up with a pic to go with the link if possible.

Please let me know.

Thank you

Redacted S. 22

Debbie Johnstone

From: Eric Stepura
Sent: November 7, 2019 10:15 AM
To: Courtney Westwood (cwestwood@whiterockcity.ca)
Subject: DRAFT JINGLE BELL ROCK TASK LIST
Attachments: DRAFT JINGLE BELL ROCK TASK LIST.docx

Please review this draft list and make any additions or changes and bring it to our mtg Friday with the Mayor 10 copies.

I may add some items after my meeting today with WRFL.

Please save this on our K drive.

Thanks,

Eric

DRAFT JINGLE BELL ROCK TASK LIST

TASK	RESPONSIBILITY
Book Christmas Carolers	Rec
Selfie Booth	Rec
Instagram Frame	Rec
Book Buskers	Rec
Contact mini donut vendor	Rec
Contact roast chestnut vendor	Museum
Order 40'x40' tent with 3 walls & weights	Rec
Provide 9 -10' x10' tents	(Rec 6 and BIA 3)
Arrange to decorate and light inside of main tent	Rec
Arrange power for tents	Rec
Garbage and recycling	Rec
Tables and chairs	Rec
Heaters in main tent	Rec
Find a Santa and Santa Chair, Elves etc. for photo booth	Rec
Setup tents for HQ, green room, covering for choir area, spectator shelter etc.	Rec
DJ in main tent	Rec
Arrange washroom cleaning and access	Rec
Arrange vehicle access to Memorial Plaza for equipment and overnight security	Rec
Arrange VIP and event organizer parking at Montecito parkade	Rec
Print and hand out post cards to Santa in Main tent & local businesses	Chamber (Ritu)
Arrange lights on Pier for lighting ceremony	Eric
Arrange gingerbread decorating station with local bakery	BIA
Arrange Food bank donation area in main tent	BIA
Hot cider/hot chocolate vendor	BIA
Craft making booth	BIA
Marketing	BIA/Chamber and City Communications Dept/WRFL
Arrange radio Station Live Broadcast 104.3 The Breeze	Museum
Christmas Craft Fair	Museum
Box for Letters to Santa	Museum
Install lighting displays and Christmas trees in Memorial Park	WRFL
Conduct a lighting ceremony (?)	WRFL

Debbie Johnstone

From: Karin Bjerke-Lisle <director@whiterockmuseum.ca>
Sent: November 7, 2019 3:51 PM
To: Courtney Westwood
Cc: Eric Stepura
Subject: RE: Jingle Bell White Rock - Draft Site Layout

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Thank you, looks good!

From: Courtney Westwood [mailto:CWestwood@whiterockcity.ca]
Sent: November-07-19 3:40 PM
To: Karin Bjerke-Lisle
Cc: Eric Stepura
Subject: Jingle Bell White Rock - Draft Site Layout

Hi Karin,

Please see the attached for your review.

Thanks,

Courtney Westwood
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Debbie Johnstone

From: Eric Stepura
Sent: November 8, 2019 1:15 PM
To: Elizabeth Keurvorst
Subject: Declined: Jingle Bell Rock Planning Meeting

Debbie Johnstone

From: Chris Zota
Sent: November 8, 2019 2:54 PM
To: Eric Stepura
Subject: RE: WRFL and Jingle Bell White Rock Lighting Ceremony

You as well, Eric!

Chris

From: Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>
Sent: November 8, 2019 2:46 PM
To: Chris Zota <CZota@whiterockcity.ca>
Cc: Dan Bottrill <DBottrill@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Re: WRFL and Jingle Bell White Rock Lighting Ceremony

Ok.

Thanks Chris.

Have a great weekend.

Eric

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From: Chris Zota <CZota@whiterockcity.ca>
Sent: Friday, November 8, 2019 2:06:01 PM
To: Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>
Cc: Dan Bottrill <DBottrill@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: RE: WRFL and Jingle Bell White Rock Lighting Ceremony

Eric,

The Pier: we can't turn off the LED lights on the pier without turning off the side luminaries. It is a matter of public safety. I will program the lights to display a Christmassy theme.

Museum: Crescent Electric is scheduled to install the flexible rope lights next week on Tuesday. These are the temporary lights and because of the complex electrical logistics, it will difficult to turn them ON and OFF at will. We would have to use a boom lift.

The professional grade lights are expected to arrive on December 15 and we're aiming to have them installed before Christmas.

Chris

From: Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>
Sent: November 8, 2019 1:31 PM
To: Chris Zota <CZota@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: WRFL and Jingle Bell White Rock Lighting Ceremony

We are hoping to do a ceremony where the Mayor turns on many of the Lights at Memorial Park and the Pier at 4:30 pm Dec 7.

It is possible to turn on the Pier and new Museum lights at the same time as we turn on the other festival lights at Memorial Park? Or at least have them change from white to red and green?

If it's possible, it would heighten the WOW factor..

Eric

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Debbie Johnstone

From: Ritu Khanna <ritu@sswrchamber.ca>
Sent: November 12, 2019 9:24 AM
To: Eric Stepura; Elizabeth Keurvorst; Alex Nixon
Subject: Jingle Bell Rock

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Is there a meeting today at 1pm re: Jingle Bell Rock?

Ritu

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Debbie Johnstone

From: Elizabeth Keurvorst
Sent: November 12, 2019 10:11 AM
To: Scott Kristjanson; Ritu Khanna
Cc: Eric Stepura
Subject: RE: Santa's arrival for Jingle Bell Rock: Saturday, December 7th

Hi Councillor Kristjanson

Following up on my voicemail. Please give me a call at your convenience. There is an update to the December 7 event I'd like to discuss.

Thanks so much!

Cheers,
Elizabeth

Elizabeth Keurvorst

Manager, Cultural Development

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From: Scott Kristjanson <SKristjanson@whiterockcity.ca>
Sent: Saturday, November 9, 2019 12:06 AM
To: Ritu Khanna <ritu@sswrchamber.ca>
Cc: Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>; Elizabeth Keurvorst <EKeurvorst@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Re: Santa's arrival for Jingle Bell Rock: Saturday, December 7th

Hi Ritu,

I would be honored to be your Santa on December 7th, and I think it would be wonderful to arrive by boat. As I told the Mayor, I used to play Santa for many years at my daughter's daycare center, and would be very happy to pull out my old Santa Suit and reprise the role.

Santa is happy to walk or ride a golf cart. Please let me know the details of the event and what Santa's role will be.

Just a suggestion....

What I have done in the past to make the event more special for kids:

If Santa will be having kids on his lap and giving out presents (which is what I did at Alyssa's daycare where parents provided wrapped gifts to be given out), then it would be great if the parents could write on a small piece of paper with their child's name, a small note about something special about the child, and what the gift is.

This would allow Santa to give each child a more unique experience by astonishing each child that Santa already knows so much about them (of course he does!). 😊

If the organizers could indiscreetly slip Santa this information prior to the next child sitting down to meet Santa, then they might be thrilled to find out that Santa already knows their name and a little bit about them, and what they want for Christmas. 😊

Councillor Scott Kristjanson

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From: Ritu Khanna <ritu@sswrchamber.ca>
Sent: November 8, 2019 4:07 PM
To: Scott Kristjanson <SKristjanson@whiterockcity.ca>
Cc: Eric Stepura <ESstepura@whiterockcity.ca>; Elizabeth Keurvorst <EKeurvorst@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Santa's arrival for Jingle Bell Rock: Saturday, December 7th

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Dear Councillor Kristjanson,

Thank you so much for attending the Mayor's State of the City Address this week. It was wonderful to have you there to represent the Council.

I heard some wonderful news...you have agreed to dress up as Santa for White Rock's Jingle Bell Rock event on **Saturday, December 7th**. The event is scheduled to run from **2PM – 6PM**. How would you feel about Santa being brought in by grand gesture to the White Rock Pier by boat? I have been in touch with **s.22** from White Rock Sea & Tours about the idea and **s.22** is interested and available to provide that service. I want to check with you before we proceed any further.

There was a committee meeting about the event this morning. There was discussion of having a golf cart available to bring Santa down to the promenade and Memorial Park, but that would still have to be confirmed. Santa might end up walking. 😊

Please let me know if you like the idea or have reservations about it. We can keep things simple as well. Please do not hesitate to call me at **Redacted S. 22**7.

Most Sincerely,
Ritu

Ritu Khanna

Executive Director | South Surrey & White Rock Chamber of Commerce

ritu@sswrchamber.ca | Office: 604-536-6844

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**Nominate a business you love in the community before November 15th
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Debbie Johnstone

From: Elizabeth Keurvorst
Sent: November 13, 2019 9:09 AM
To: Redacted S. 22
Cc: Eric Stepura
Subject: promotion of WRFL

Hi Redacted S. 22

I'm just back from holidays and it sounds like things have been moving along at a good pace. I've posted the WRFL information and the link to your website on the City's events calendar. We can talk more on Thursday at the Jingle Bell White Rock promotions meeting about other channels for letting folks know about the festival.

Don't hesitate to call me if you have any questions before then!

Elizabeth Keurvorst
Manager, Cultural Development
15154 Russell Avenue, White Rock, BC V4B 0A6
Tel: 604.542.7580 | Cell: 778.839.1653
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**White Rock Recreation & Culture Staff Meeting
November 13, 2019 @ 10 am at CAL Education Room**

<p>Invited Eric Stepura Lee Reimer Dianne Sawicki Courtney Westwood Janna Nicholson Matt Randhawa Elizabeth Keurvorst Sylvia Yee</p>	<p>Absent John Stech</p>
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AGENDA ITEMS:

1.A Working Alone Presentation – Candice Roffe	
Risk Assessments + safe work procedures	

1.B Standing Items	
<p>Council Meeting Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAO Dan Botrill’s last day will be March 31, 2020 • Sandra Kurylo retiring end of March 2020 • WRPL approved for \$5K by grant in aid committee • Pride Flag raising at the pier head & to declare pride week, asked by Pride Society • Heritage Committee asked for heritage strategy and to do a Heritage Home Inventory project • Seniors Advisory Committee bumped up to 13 members • Econ Development Strategic plan to be revised by consultant and committee • Holiday Home Tour for Hope, asked for funding & received \$2,000 Grant in aid • Presentation to council for inter-faith committee for community to encourage diversity <p>SMT Meeting Update: New Staff Sgt. Kale replacing Darryl Creighton.</p>	

2. Reports to Prepare for Council	Eric
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2020 Events Dec 2nd Meeting • Pickleball Court Facility Options • Nature interpretation signs • Blue Zones- January • Film Policy-New year • Lawn Bowling 	
3. Health & Safety	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JH & S Committee Update-Nov/Dec inspection at Arena – Janna/Elizabeth to do • Working Alone Program 	
4. Event Update	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remembrance Day • Christmas on the Peninsula • Jingle Bell White Rock – Dec 7 • Mistletoe Lunch – Dec 5, need help 8:30am • WR Festival of Lights – Dec 6 to Jan 5 	
5. Action/Information Items	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recreation software project update • Information Sharing on Programs and Service • Pickleball Court Signs are up now • Sport, Rec and Arts& Culture Groups re. input into OCP • Free promotion. Christmas event information – send to ritu@sswrchamber.ca • Dogs on Promenade (news release handout) • Top 5 Recreation and Parks Issues (handout) 	
6. Centennial Park Leisure Centre	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chiller and dehumidifier ordered replacement update, install 2020 • Ammonia Evacuation drill, Dec 9th, between 9:00am and 10:00am (meet 15 min before) calls will forward to WRCC 	
7. CAL	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fraser Health Cardiac Rehab Update 	

8. Kent Street Activity Centre	Action

9. WRCC	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ordered new chairs • Jennifer started full-time role 	

10. Budget	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2020 Operating Budget and 2020-2024 Asset Improvements are now complete 	

11. Roundtable	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dec 9th CAO Presentation • Dec 12 (Thursday) Christmas Party at Eric's Redacted S. 22- 8pm Food provided, BYOB 	

NEXT MEETING: Dec 4, 2019 @ 10 am at CAL	
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Debbie Johnstone

From: Ritu Khanna <ritu@sswrchamber.ca>
Sent: November 14, 2019 9:54 AM
To: Executive Director
Cc: Elizabeth Keurvorst; Eric Stepura; SSWR Events
Subject: Re: Jingle Bell Rock

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My apologies but I have to stay longer at my appt. Kaelynn Ball will attend the meeting on my behalf.

Thank you,
Ritu

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From: Executive Director <alex@whiterockbia.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 14, 2019 8:56:04 AM
To: Ritu Khanna <ritu@sswrchamber.ca>
Cc: Elizabeth Keurvorst <EKeurvorst@whiterockcity.ca>; Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Re: Jingle Bell Rock

Hi Ritu,

I hope your eyes are ok!

We do- it's at the BIA office for marketing.

Kind Regards,

Alex
Alex Nixon
Executive Director,
White Rock BIA
alex@whiterockbia.com
o 604-536-4958
c 236-330-4958

On Nov 14, 2019, at 8:54 AM, Ritu Khanna <ritu@sswrchamber.ca> wrote:

Is there a meeting today at 10AM to discuss Jingle Bell Rock? I have a placeholder in my calendar but did not see another meeting invite.

I have an unexpected appt with my eye doctor right now and might not be able to attend depending on his assessment and procedure.

Kindly confirm meeting. I will do my best to attend if possible.

Ritu

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Debbie Johnstone

From: Elizabeth Keurvorst
Sent: November 18, 2019 1:06 PM
To: Eric Stepura; Courtney Westwood
Subject: Re: Jingle Bell White Rock

Will do.

Elizabeth Keurvorst
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From: Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>
Sent: Monday, November 18, 2019 12:43:04 PM
To: Elizabeth Keurvorst <EKeurvorst@whiterockcity.ca>; Courtney Westwood <CWestwood@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Jingle Bell White Rock

Please proceed with the Santa's and elves hired for this event.

The Mayor agreed with our recommendation not to have a council member as Santa.

Eric

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Debbie Johnstone

From: Elizabeth Keurvorst
Sent: November 20, 2019 12:15 PM
To: Eric Stepura; **Redacted S. 22**
Subject: RE: Site layout for Dec 7
Attachments: Jingle Bell Rock Site Map - Memorial Park VS Nov 20.pdf

Hi

I've put a square at the west end of the museum as a hold for the car for the Dec 7 date if that works.
Santa line up will snake out of the tent and along the east side of the tent in Memorial Park in front of the tree.

Elizabeth

T: 604.542.7580/C:778.839.1653

From: Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, November 19, 2019 8:46 AM
To: Elizabeth Keurvorst <EKeurvorst@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Fwd: Site layout for Dec 7

Do you have a digital site layout you can send to **Redacted S. 22**?

Eric

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From: **Redacted S. 22**
Sent: Tuesday, November 19, 2019 7:06:24 AM
To: Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Site layout for Dec 7

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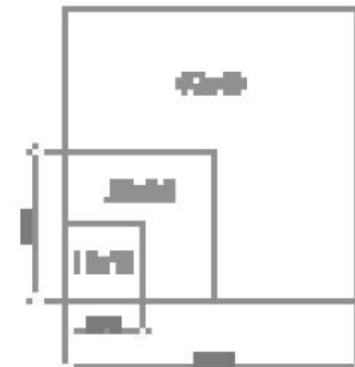
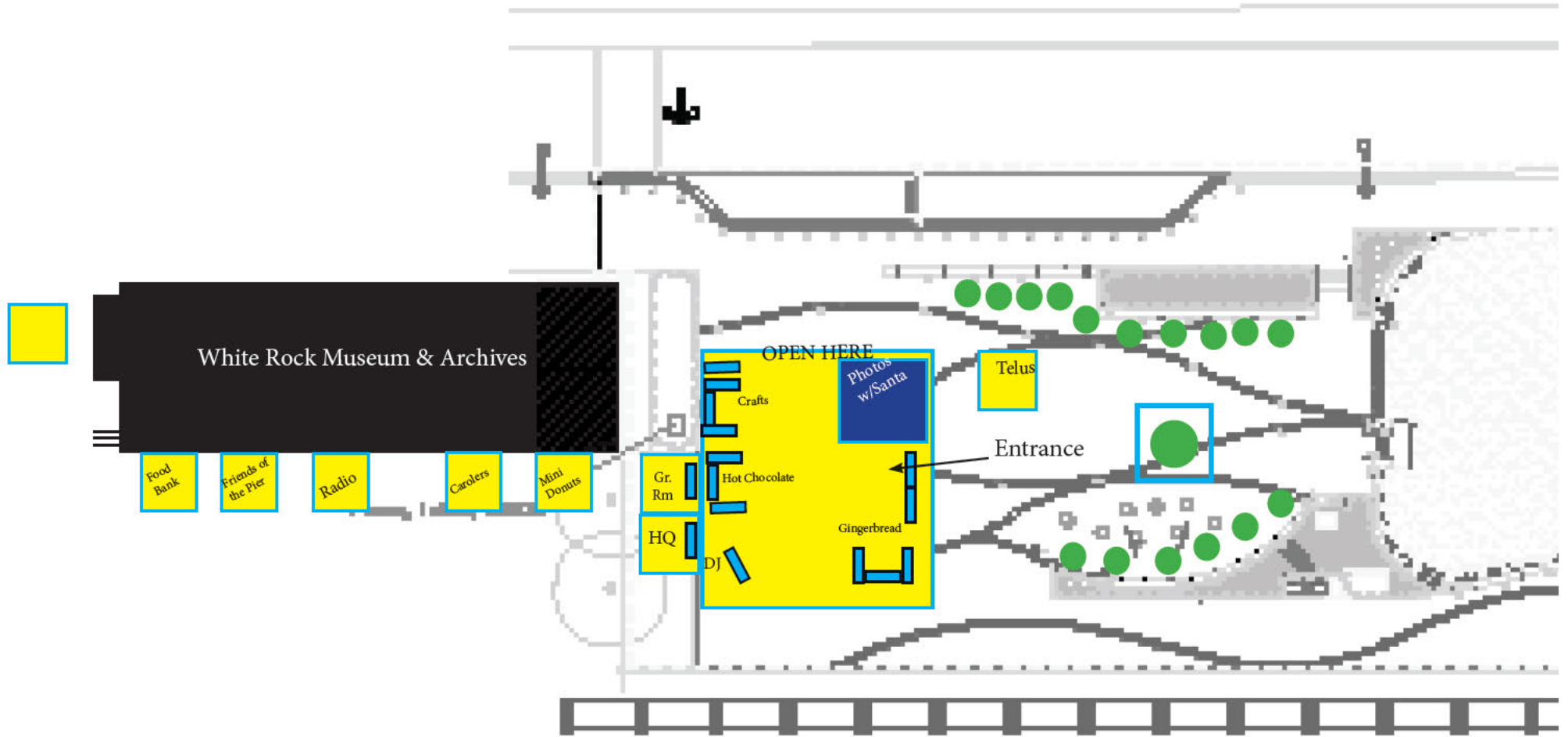
Morning Eric

Can you please send us the site layout for Dec. 7, 2019.

Thank you



JINGLE BELL WHITE ROCK DRAFT SITE PLAN



Orange
Pink

Debbie Johnstone

From: Ritu Khanna <ritu@sswrchamber.ca>
Sent: November 20, 2019 3:01 PM
To: Darryl Walker
Subject: Accepted: SAVE THE DATE: Marine Dr "Jingle Bell Rock" Business Walk About on Marine Drive with SS&WR Chamber of Commerce and White Rock BIA

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Debbie Johnstone

From: City of White Rock <noreply@whiterockcity.ca>
Sent: November 22, 2019 4:20 PM
To: Eric Stepura
Subject: City Connects e-Newsletter - November 22, 2019

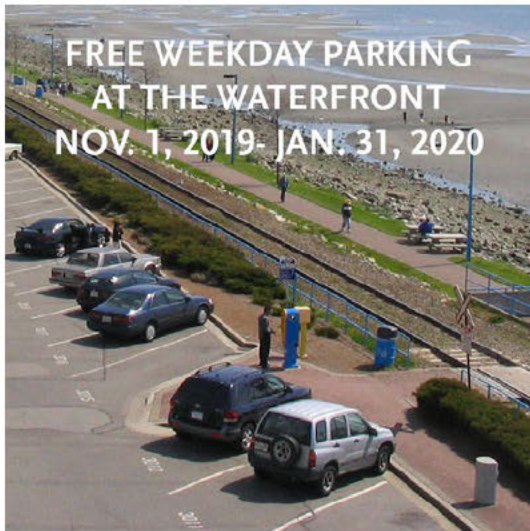
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Get ready for some holiday magic by decorating your own living tree.

The White Rock Festival of Lights Society, along with City of White Rock, the White Rock BIA and the South Surrey & White Rock Chamber of Commerce, will host a magical holiday lights event on the waterfront in White Rock. You can support this event by buying one of the 100 "Living Trees" that will be on display at Memorial Park throughout December. Sign up your family, small business or corporation to decorate a tree. Visit www.wrfi.ca to purchase your tree.



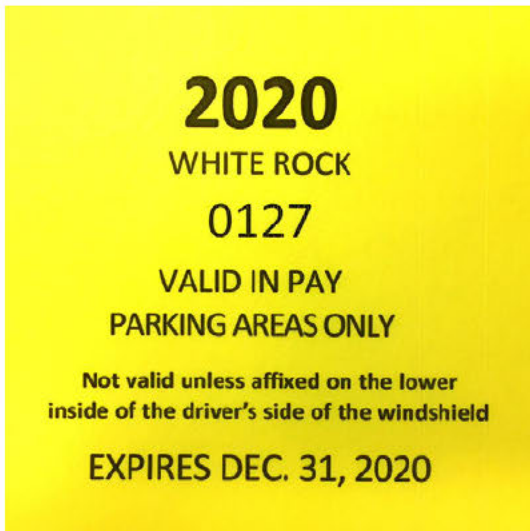
Free Weekday Parking

Nov. 1, 2019 - Jan. 31, 2019 at the waterfront.

Weekend parking rates:

- \$2 per hour at the waterfront
- \$2 per hour at the parkades
- \$7.50 daily rate at the parkades

More info [here](#).



Parking Decals Now On Sale

Resident parking decals are available for sale to full-time residents of White Rock.

The 2020 parking decal is \$48, plus GST

More info [here](#).



Jingle Bell White Rock

Date: Dec. 7, 2019

Time: 2 - 6 p.m

Location: Memorial Park Plaza

Festival of Lights lighting ceremony: 4:30 p.m.

Grab the family and join us for an evening of festivities. Activities include: free photos with Santa, Christmas carolers, live DJ, Christmas Craft Fair by the [White Rock Museum](#) and Archives and more. More info [here](#). Free event.



Christmas Craft Market at the Museum

Nov. 16 to Dec. 20, 2019

Celebrate the magic of the season, and see our gallery transform into a holiday market. With more than 20 local artisans, you are sure to find something for everyone on your list.

Open seven days a week. More info [here](#).

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JOIN OUR COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

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SCOTT
MCCABE

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ANTHONY
MANNING

COUNCILLOR
CHRISTOPHER
TRICELLINI

Let's Talk - Community Conversations.

Join members of White Rock City Council to discuss how we can make White Rock a better place for all of us at the Let's Talk monthly community conversation. Members of Council will vary at each meeting. More info [here](#). Free to attend.

Date: Dec. 7, 2019

Time: 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Location: White Rock Library
(15342 Buena Vista Ave.)

*Let's Talk is not a part of the City of White Rock Council meetings.



HIGHLIGHTS

THIS WEEK IN COUNCIL

Nov. 18, 2019 Regular Council Meeting - Council Highlights

For details, visit the City's [website](#) and click through to your topic to see the presentation/discussion.

- Council welcomed [Staff Sergeant Kale Pauls](#) to the White Rock RCMP detachment.
- Council heard from the public during Question and Answer Period. Questions and Answers can be tracked on the City's website [here](#).
- Council welcomed delegations from:
 - David Young and Abby Gemino, Sources Community Resources Society: Coldest Night of the Year
 - Kevin Thompson, resident: Pollinator Friendly City
- Council received a presentation from Explore White Rock regarding Tourism Update
- Council congratulated White Rock City Manager of Utilities – Dr. Saad Jasim, who is the first Canadian inaugurated as the President of the International Ozone Association.
- Council received several corporate reports (for information/action). You can read the following reports online on our [Corporate Report Index](#) page and view the discussion on the [City's Video Archive](#):
 - Fire Dispatch Contract Service Agreement
 - Preserving Road Right of Ways for a Sustainable City
 - 2019 Annual Report – Arts & Culture Advisory Committee
 - 2019 Annual Report – Public Art Advisory Committee
 - 2019 Annual Report – The White Rock Sea Festival Committee
 - 2019 Annual Report – Tour de White Rock Committee
 - 2019 Annual Report – Seniors Advisory Committee
 - 2019 Annual Report – History And Heritage Advisory Committee
 - 2019 Annual Report – Economic Development Advisory Committee
 - 2019 Annual Report – Dogs on the Promenade Task Force
 - 2019 Annual Report – Marine Drive Task Force
 - 2019 Annual Report – Environmental Advisory Committee
 - 2019 Annual Report – Water Community Advisory Panel
 - 2019 Annual Report – Parking Task Force
- Council considered minutes and recommendations from various Select and Standing [Committees](#).
- Council gave final reading to the following bylaws:
 - Fees and Charges Bylaw, 2019, No. 2298, Amendment No. 3, 2019, No. 2319
 - White Rock Zoning Bylaw, 2012, No. 2000, Amendment (Short-Term Rental Update) Bylaw, 2019, No. 2317
- Council approved the Council meeting schedule for 2020:
 - Jan. 13 & 27;
 - Feb. 10 & 24;
 - Mar. 9 & 30;
 - April 6 & 20;
 - May 4 & 25;

- June 15 & 29;
- July 13 & 27;
- Sept. 14 & 28;
- Oct. 5 & 19;
- Nov. 9 & 23; and
- Dec. 7.
- Council approved the following representatives to the Grants-in-Aid Committee:
 - Councillor Chesney, Chairperson;
 - Councillor Johanson; and
 - Councillor Trevelyan.

[Question and Answer period](#) is an opportunity for the public to ask questions and make comments to Council at the beginning of the Council Meeting. A summary of all questions and answers will be available on the City's website under the Government tab following the adoption of the minutes.

To read the agenda and watch the Council meeting, please [visit the City's Video Recordings of Regular Council Meetings archives page](#).



Next Council Meeting - Dec. 2, 2019

Committee Meetings:

- Nov. 25 - Housing Advisory Committee - 3:30 p.m.
- Nov. 26 - Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee - 6 p.m.
- Nov. 27 - Governance and Legislation Committee - 4 p.m.
- Nov. 28 - Public Art Advisory Committee - 4 p.m.
- Nov. 28 - Tour de White Rock Committee Meeting - 6:15 p.m.

If you have any questions, please contact the Director of Corporate Administration at 604-541-2212.

Review [Council's 2019-2022 Strategic Priorities](#), which outlines the goals and vision for the council during their term in office and discover more about your [City Council on the City's website](#).



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Debbie Johnstone

From: Donna Kell
Sent: November 25, 2019 12:10 PM
To: Courtney Westwood; Elizabeth Keurvorst
Cc: Kaelin Nelson; Eric Stepura
Subject: RE: Jingle Bell White Rock news release--please review
Attachments: 2019-11-25 Jingle Bell White Rock brings Santa, lights up the night, Dec. 7 V2.docx

Thanks, Courtney.

Here's a revised version. Let me know if your changes are captured here.

Thanks,

Donna

From: Courtney Westwood <CWestwood@whiterockcity.ca>
Sent: November 25, 2019 10:43 AM
To: Donna Kell <DKell@whiterockcity.ca>; Elizabeth Keurvorst <EKeurvorst@whiterockcity.ca>
Cc: Kaelin Nelson <KNelson@whiterockcity.ca>; Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: RE: Jingle Bell White Rock news release--please review

Hi Donna,

- Museum Craft Fair will be open until 6PM that day.
- Craft will be from 2pm (until we run out)
- Santa will be there from 2:30-5:30 - Kids photos will be from 2:30 but we will add pets at 4:30

Thanks,

Courtney Westwood

Special Events Coordinator, Recreation and Culture

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Cc: Kaelin Nelson <KNelson@whiterockcity.ca>; Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Jingle Bell White Rock news release--please review

Good morning,

Please see the draft news release for Jingle Bell White Rock and let me know what changes you might have. Should the BIA to be quoted in the release?

After you review, I will share the release with Tracey, Dan and then Mayor Walker for approval.

Thank you!

Donna

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Debbie Johnstone

From: Donna Kell
Sent: November 27, 2019 4:45 PM
Subject: MEDIA RELEASE: Jingle Bell White Rock brings Santa Claus, lights up the night, Dec. 7

MEDIA RELEASE

Jingle Bell White Rock brings Santa Claus, lights up the night, Dec. 7

WHITE ROCK, B.C.—Nov. 27, 2019—The White Rock BIA, The South Surrey and White Rock Chamber of Commerce, the White Rock Museum and Archives and the City of White Rock are presenting an afternoon of festive, family fun on Saturday, Dec. 7.

Jingle Bell White Rock runs from 2 to 6 p.m. at Memorial Park on Marine Drive. Admission to all events is free. The Christmas Craft Fair at the museum is open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Here's a snapshot of the day's events:

2 to 6 p.m.

Christmas crafts, music and live performances

2:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Photos with Santa Claus

Kids' photos starting at 2:30 p.m.; Photos with pets from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

4:30 p.m.

Launch of Festival of Lights featuring a lighting ceremony in Memorial Park with Mayor Darryl Walker and members of City Council

Christmas Craft Fair at the White Rock Museum and Archives

Celebrate the magic of the season as the White Rock Museum and Archives gallery transforms into a holiday market with more than 20 local artisans. The Museum and Archives are open seven days a week, including Saturday and Sunday. Admission is by donation. Visit www.whiterockmuseum.ca

Festival of Lights presented by the White Rock Festival of Lights Society

The White Rock Festival of Lights Society, in collaboration with the City of White Rock, the White Rock BIA and the South Surrey and White Rock Chamber of Commerce, businesses and community groups, is staging a magical holiday lights event on White Rock's waterfront from Dec. 7 to Jan. 5. Visit wrfl.ca.

Quote

White Rock Mayor Darryl Walker

"It is exciting to work with our community and business partners to light up White Rock's beautiful waterfront, bringing together Santa Claus, Christmas crafts and families for a fabulous day that launches the festive season.

We welcome residents and visitors from the Lower Mainland and beyond to enjoy White Rock in the fall and winter, taking in the waterfront, Five Corners and Uptown, and all our shops and restaurants.”

Alex Nixon, Executive Director

White Rock BIA

“White Rock is a vibrant community with so many things for families to see and do. Jingle Bell White Rock brings together music, crafts, lights and live performances, inviting families to spend the day in White Rock and enjoy all the holiday season has to offer.”

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Debbie Johnstone

From: Eric Stepura
Sent: November 27, 2019 12:08 PM
To: Redacted S. 22
Subject: Re: White Rock Festival of Lights

Well done!!!

Eric

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From: Redacted S. 22
Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2019 11:28:43 AM
To: Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Fwd: White Rock Festival of Lights

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Fyi

Redacted S. 22

Begin forwarded message:

From: Mark Madryga <Mark.Madryga@globalnews.ca>
Date: November 27, 2019 at 11:10:42 AM PST
To: Redacted S. 22
Subject: RE: White Rock Festival of Lights

Hi Redacted S. 22
Wonderful hearing from you. Yes for sure - please leave it with me..I will give it some exposure!
Mark

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-----Original Message-----

From: Redacted S. 22
Sent: November-25-19 9:46 PM
To: Mark Madryga <Mark.Madryga@globalnews.ca>

Subject: White Rock Festival of Lights

This email is from an EXTERNAL SENDER | Ce courriel provient d'un EXPÉDITEUR EXTERNE

Hi Mark,

I hope you are doing well. You have been doing a stellar job on the weather last few days!

I am working on the festival of lights starting Dec 7, at memorial plaza. Santa will be visiting and posing for pictures during the day with both 2 legged and 4 legged friends 🙈

The jingle bell rock daytime activities such as gingerbread decorating and choirs singing 🎤

If it is at all possible to share our event with your followers I would be so very grateful 🙏

We have sold 60 living trees to be strung with lights and decorated by families, NGO's and businesses. We also have a lit up 30' tree! We are bring Christmas cheer to the waterfront 🎄.

We will light up Dec 7, 4:30 and will turn the lights off Jan. 5 th 2020 🌟

Thank you. With are without the plug thank you for all the support you have given our community.

With appreciation.

Redacted S. 22



Debbie Johnstone

From: Alex Nixon <info@whiterockbia.com>
Sent: November 28, 2019 12:32 PM
To: Eric Stepura
Subject: BIA Open House and Upcoming Events

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WHITE ROCK BIA



BIA Open House & Upcoming Events & Promotions

This newsletter has information on a number of activities you may be interested in:

- BIA Open House- free for you and a guest!- Tuesday December 3 2019
- Upcoming Events & Promotions

Do you have an ideas for an event or promotion? Working with another White Rock business on something and want some support? Need some help with an issue you're facing? Please reach out to us!

Kind Regards,

Alex

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c 236-330-4958

alex@whiterockbia.com



White Rock BIA Open House

Our **Annual Open House** is on **Tuesday December 3 2019** from **7 pm to 9 pm** at **Blue Frog Studios** (1328 Johnston Road)!

This is a great opportunity for you to meet the White Rock BIA team, connect with fellow local business owners, and partake in some holiday cheer before

It's free for you and a guest to attend. Light refreshments will be provided, and the first drink will be on us.

We hope to see you there!

Upcoming BIA Events

We have a few upcoming events and promotions in December- please share on social media!

12 Days of White Rock (Promotion)

Dates: December 2 to December 14 (actually 13 days, I know, but we're tying into the **A Very Saltaire Christmas** event with it)

This free social media promotion highlights 13 retail businesses in 5 Corners and Uptown White Rock.

This year, participating businesses include:

- Eyebarr
- Looby Doo
- The Urban Table
- Madison 5 Fashion
- Ashberry & Logan
- Grey Haven Hobbies
- Tapestry Music
- The Community Closet
- The Handpicked Home
- The Mason Jar
- Health Express
- The Wooden Spoon (for their merchandise line)
- Stillman Books

We're sorry if you missed this opportunity! We're looking at doing a retail and service promotional campaign in February- please [email me if you are interested!](#)

Jingle Bell White Rock (Event)

Date: Saturday December 7 2019

Time: 2 pm to 6 pm

Location: Memorial Park, West Beach

Celebrate the holiday season on the waterfront with Jingle Bell White Rock! Presented by the City of White Rock, the White Rock BIA, and the South Surrey White Rock Chamber of Commerce.

A perfect day for kids and families, the free activities include:

- Free photos with Santa
- Christmas carolers and music performances
- A hot chocolate station
- Gingerbread decorating
- Ornament making
- Letters to Santa

A Very Saltaire Christmas (Event)

Date: Saturday December 14

Time: 2 pm to 4 pm

Location: Saltaire (Johnston and Thrift)

The White Rock BIA in partnership with the Saltaire businesses and South Rock Buzz are proud to present the first A Very Saltaire Christmas event!

Free, family-friendly Christmas themed activities will be set up for kids to enjoy at each of the businesses located in the Saltaire Building (at Johnston & Thrift) including:

- Anna from Frozen entertaining children at various locations around the building
- Free candy canes for kids
- Gingerbread decorating at Hillcrest Bakery & Deli
- Free Christmas crafts for kids
- Free face painting
- Free Christmas photo booth
- Delightful Christmas Carolers from Crescent Choirs

This event is FREE for families, and is modelled on the other Saltaire holiday events we've been doing (Easter & Halloween).

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Debbie Johnstone

From: Elizabeth Keurvorst
Sent: November 29, 2019 11:35 AM
To: Eric Stepura
Subject: Fwd: invitation for WRFL

FYI

Elizabeth Keurvorst
Manager, Cultural Development
15154 Russell Avenue, White Rock, BC V4B 0A6
Tel: 604.542.7580 |
Cell: 778.839.1653
www.whiterockcity.ca

From: Kaelin Nelson <KNelson@whiterockcity.ca>
Sent: Friday, November 29, 2019 11:20:35 AM
To: Elizabeth Keurvorst <EKeurvorst@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: RE: invitation for WRFL

Hi Elizabeth,

I just spoke with Redacted S. 22 and she was looking for a more formal invitation to send to dignitaries and MPs and MLAs so this one is scrapped.

This is a 'Festival of Lights' only invitation, not a Jingle Bell White Rock promotion piece, even though the lighting ceremony takes place during Jingle Bell White Rock.

I will complete this task as I already started it, but I don't think this is something that the City should have been working on.

Thank you,

KAELIN NELSON

Digital Media and Communications Assistant, City of White Rock
15322 Buena Vista Avenue, White Rock, BC V4B 1Y6
Tel: 604.541.2211 | www.whiterockcity.ca



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From: Elizabeth Keurvorst <EKeurvorst@whiterockcity.ca>
Sent: November 29, 2019 7:48 AM
To: Kaelin Nelson <KNelson@whiterockcity.ca>
Cc: Courtney Westwood <CWestwood@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Re: invitation for WRFL

Looks good

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From: Kaelin Nelson <KNelson@whiterockcity.ca>
Sent: Thursday, November 28, 2019 4:22:03 PM
To: Elizabeth Keurvorst <EKeurvorst@whiterockcity.ca>
Cc: Courtney Westwood <CWestwood@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: RE: invitation for WRFL

Hi Elizabeth,

Please review the attached and let me know if this is what you were looking for?
The logos on the card were provided by **s.22**

Thank you,

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From: Elizabeth Keurvorst <EKeurvorst@whiterockcity.ca>
Sent: November 26, 2019 1:01 PM
To: Kaelin Nelson <KNelson@whiterockcity.ca>; Donna Kell <DKell@whiterockcity.ca>
Cc: Eric Stepura <ESstepura@whiterockcity.ca>; Courtney Westwood <CWestwood@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: invitation for WRFL

Hello
Quick favour...please
Could you draft the invitation for the WRFL light up for them to send out. Their light up will take place "during" Jingle Bell White Rock you can note JBWR that way if you want in the design.
Note the City is a sponsor not a presenter. Don't include BIA or WRSS Chamber on the invite as the light up portion is WRFL and BIA is presenting the JBWR.
Basic info below and not sure if **Redacted S. 22** wants to track RSVPs or make it a one way invite.
We can send the pdf to **Redacted S. 22** for her to review before she sends out.
Give me a call if you have any questions...and thanks!



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Debbie Johnstone

From: The South Surrey & White Rock Chamber Of Commerce <admin@sswrchamber.ccsend.com> on behalf of The South Surrey & White Rock Chamber Of Commerce <admin@sswrchamber.ca>
Sent: December 4, 2019 7:00 AM
To: Eric Stepura
Subject: Chamber Events and Updates!

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SOUTH SURREY & WHITE ROCK
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

As we approach the holiday season, there are a number of wonderful ways to connect and support one another in the coming weeks. Please see below for events, business openings and new Chamber member notices.

JINGLE BELL WHITE ROCK



Celebrate the holiday season on the waterfront with **Jingle Bell White Rock!** Visit **Memorial Park Plaza** for photos with Santa, caroling, hot chocolate, gingerbread cookies, lights, a craft fair at the Museum and more! As you plan your outing, make a lunch or dinner reservation at one of the restaurants and stop into the unique shops and galleries on Marine Drive. The Chamber is proud to have played an important role in bringing this event to life with our partners at the City and the BIA.

Also special to the event will be a tree lighting ceremony at 4:30PM, brought to you by the Festival of Lights Committee AND the annual sail pass, coordinated by the International Yacht Club.

Bring down the whole family to Marine Drive in White Rock on **Saturday, December 7th**
2PM - 6PM

The hope is to grow the event over time and make White Rock a Christmas/winter destination for years to come!

For more details, [click here.](#)

CHAMBER HOLIDAY MIXER

HOLIDAY MIXER

**S+L KITCHEN & BAR
(SOUTH SURREY)**



Wednesday, December 11th
5:30PM - 7:30PM



Get ready for an evening of networking, canapes, drinks, door prizes, and holiday cheer at **S+L Kitchen & Bar**
Wed. December 11th
5:30PM - 7:30PM.

S+L is a fabulous local restaurant that brings unique locally inspired dishes to its guests, and is brought to you by **The Joseph Richard Group. JRG and Cofounder, Ryan Moreno**, were the recipients of the Chamber's 20th Business Excellence Awards in the categories of Large Business of the Year and Business Person of the Year. Please join us to celebrate a fabulous year gone by with another great local restaurant, company and entrepreneur in South Surrey! This is a ticketed event and only a few spaces remain, so register now.

For details, [click here.](#)

Upcoming Business Openings:

It's always a really positive sign when we have new businesses open or move into our area! Below is a list of upcoming Chamber member business openings. Please RSVP to attend or plan to visit these businesses in the future to welcome them and make a connection.

Sotheby's
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Sotheby's International Realty

Wednesday, December 4th
12:30 - 2:30PM

15621 Marine Dr., Unit 2, White Rock

Join the Sotheby's team & President & CEO Don Kottick, for the exclusive grand opening of their newest office on the waterfront in White Rock. Space is limited. To RSVP, please contact Kevin O'Toole, Managing Broker, at kotoole@sothebysrealty.ca by 10AM.

Chez Christophe

Thursday, December 5th
5PM - 6PM

1558 Johnston Road, White Rock

*Chez
Christophe*

Join us for the official grand opening and ribbon cutting of the much anticipated chocolaterie patisserie in White Rock. Space is limited. To Pre-registration is required. To RSVP, please call the Chamber at 604-536-6844.

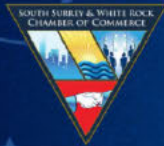


Mountainview Wellness Centre

**Saturday, December 14th
3PM - 7PM**

**Ribbon cutting at 5pm
1676 Martin Drive, Unit 101, Surrey
(by Semiahmoo Mall)**

Dr. Patton, Dr. Bogatch and Dr. Ng invite you to the "Housewarming Party" at their new location in South Surrey. To RSVP, please call (604) 538-8837 or email office@mvwr.ca. Drop-ins welcome.



*21st Annual Business
Excellence Awards*

Presented by:

The Funke Group, Scotia Wealth Management

Enthusiasm continues to grow for the Business Excellence Awards Gala. Mark your calendars for Wednesday, February 12, 2020!

We also invite you to join the growing list of sponsors to be part of the premiere business event in our community.

To access the **Sponsorship Package**, [Click here](#)

For a link to purchase tickets and see pictures from last year's event, [Click here](#)

Thank you to our generous sponsors

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 **Cloverdale Paint**

Welcome to New Members!

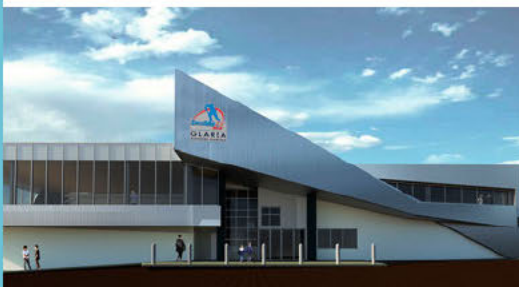
We are excited and honoured to welcome the following new members to the Chamber family! Please feel free to reach out to them and make a connection.

Glarea Elevated Learning



Glarea Elevated Learning has re-imagined the modern school system by utilizing *Challenge Based Learning* within an all-inclusive arts and sport environment focused on connection, development and community.

Through a balanced, experience-based curriculum, Glarea will utilize an integrated educational environment designed specifically to identify and ignite a passion for excellence, while cultivating the fundamental skills required for success.



Glarea's much anticipated opening of its Kindergarten to Grade 5 level is in September 2020, with plans to grow with the students yearly up to Grade 12.

Nadia Hasan, Daniela Fisher, Rita Rai
Founding Partners
15000 54A Ave.
Surrey, BC
apply@glareaschool.com
(604) 825-1659

[Click here for more info.](#)

Knuckles Bar & Grill



Marine Drive has a unique and brand new 20's inspired "Prohibition Bar", **Knuckles Bar & Grill**.

Knuckles Bar has great food, drink and the friendliest staff. A must see is there specially commissioned mural that sets the tone for the restaurant. On the weekends, you will be served by the charming staff dressed in the style of the 20's and 30's, including flapper dresses.

Make your reservations today!



STREET STYLE

20's Themed Staff

Darcy and Agnes, Owners
15057 Marine Drive
White Rock, BC
(across from the Pier)
(604) 531-0646

[Click here for more info.](#)

The Consulate General of Ireland | Vancouver



The Consulate General of Ireland's Vancouver office is located in the World Trade Centre Building at Canada Place in downtown Vancouver.

The opening of the new Consulate office marks the beginning of a new phase of stronger relations between Ireland and British Columbia. In addition to providing expanded consular and Irish community support services, the Consulate will work as a matter of priority to promote trade,



Consul General Frank Flood
999 Canada Place, Suite 704
Vancouver, BC V6C 3E1
vancouvercg@dfa.ie
(604) 696-3263

tourism and investment linkages between Ireland and British Columbia.

[Click here for more information](#)

The Consulate office also works to promote and protect Irish interest in Canada whether it is working with the Irish community, promoting their economic interests or working to strengthen the political and cultural ties between Canada and Ireland.

Mountainview Wellness Centre



For the past eighteen years, the three Naturopathic Physicians at **Mountainview Wellness Centre**, Dr. Patton, Dr. Bogatch and Dr. Ng, have been offering cutting edge, innovative treatments to help you on your health and wellness path in South Surrey. As of Dec 9th, they are opening in their new location as part of the Semiahmoo Professional Building community right next to the Semiahmoo Mall.



Come and try their many services, including their newest treatment; JetPeel Needle Free Facials AND low level laser therapy right where the pain is.

See details above for the '**Housewarming Party**' on **December 14th**.

Dr. Allison Patton
Mountainview Wellness Centre
1676 Martin Drive, Unit 101
Surrey, BC
office@mvwr.ca
604-538-8837

[Click here for more info.](#)

Sotheby's International Realty

The Sotheby's brand is synonymous with quality and prestige, and the marketing for your home reflects this tradition of excellence. Sandra Miller PREC* and Philip DuMoulin work together as a team of designated agents with a duty of loyalty and confidentiality to their clients as well as a duty to avoid conflicts of interest and fully disclose all relevant information to them. They are proud to be Realtors® with **Sotheby's International Realty Canada**. They offer the highest calibre of service, discretion and marketing, regardless of your home's size, neighbourhood or price point. They have both earned the esteemed Sotheby's SVP (Senior Vice President) title, accredited to only the top percentile of Sotheby's Realtors®.

Sandra and Philip are EXPERIENCED Realtors® with a proven track record of SUCCESS and a powerful NETWORK of clients and contacts built on INTEGRITY and TRUST.

Year after year, they have both consistently qualified in the Fraser Valley Real Estate Board Medallion Club. Last year they BOTH individually ranked in the TOP 5% (out of 3,642 Realtors). For generations their families have had close ties to the best kept secret on the Peninsula - South Surrey and White Rock. They live, work and play here. This is their community and the place they call home.

*Personal Real Estate Corporation



Everything a REALTOR® should be



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Sandra Miller
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 White Rock, BC
 smiller@sothebysrealty.ca
 778-833-1169

[Click here for more info.](#)

Floor Envy Supply and Renovations Ltd.



Floor Envy is a family owned and operated flooring showroom and home renovation boutique, located in South Surrey, BC.

They offer complete residential and commercial flooring solutions, including laminate, engineered hardwood, luxury



vinyl and carpet, with a wide array of competitively priced premium flooring products and installation services. Their showroom also features a large selection of luxury quartz counter tops, custom cabinetry and storage solutions.

They offer full residential and commercial renovation services and pride themselves on their personalized service and commitment to excellence in their work. They look forward to continue serving the members of our community.

Lacey Kelly
Floor Envy Supply & Renovations Ltd.
15531 24th Ave., Unit 11
info@floorenvycanada.com
(604) 536-0865

[Click here for more info.](#)



ChambersPlan Employee Benefits

Did you know your chamber membership gives you access to one of the most comprehensive and stable employee benefits plan? Even if you have a plan already in place, you can get a quote to compare with what you have.

For more information, [click here.](#)

"When I realized the business I created looks after my employees and their families."

Real benefits for your business

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Employee Benefits

Featured Member:

PENMAR COMMUNITY ARTS SOCIETY



Penmar Community Arts Society is a registered Canadian Charity formed in 2013. Their Mission is to fund and facilitate the future of live music in communities outside major metropolitan areas.

Penmar has a track record of positive cultural and economic impact for local communities. They provide accessible live music events that create jobs within the music scene and provide other businesses an opportunity for promotion and engagement with audiences.



They also conduct **Music Lottery**, a bi-weekly 50/50 draw that in one year has generated over \$17,000 in grants (& prizes!) that benefit Canadian artists and the BC venues they play in. The Music Lottery draw is done live at White Rock Beach Beer every second Friday with a new jackpot. Tickets are available at the brewery or [online](#).



In 2020 they are producing a concert series presented by Music Lottery which includes artists and venues in South Surrey/White Rock (including a new music festival) that will be promoted to locals and will also attract fans from other areas.

Contact them today to find out how community concerts can benefit your business! Just like music is good for your health and your mind - it's also good for business. Consider sponsoring a concert program in your community as an individual or a business!

Get on the invite list for shows and opportunities in South Surrey/White Rock. [SIGN UP HERE](#) for Penmar Community Arts Society updates or contact them directly!

Contacts:

Dione Costanzo, Executive Director
Mobile 604-817-1526
Email Dione@musiclottery.ca

David Geertz, Program Manager
Mobile 778-988-4755
Email dgeertz@gmail.com

Community Corner

Christmas in the City



The holiday season is well under way! There are lots of holiday and winter events in South Surrey & White Rock being featured on the Chamber's **Christmas in the City** web page. Check in regularly for all the details.

Be sure to send your upcoming events to events@sswrchamber.ca

To view the page, [click here.](#)

Thank you to our Silver Chamber Member:



South Surrey & White Rock Chamber of Commerce
| 604-536-6844 | [E-mail](#) | [Website](#) |

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The South Surrey White Rock Chamber Of Commerce | 1480 Foster Street, Unit 22, White Rock,
BC V4B 3X7 Canada

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Debbie Johnstone

From: Eric Stepura
Sent: December 5, 2019 9:20 AM
To: Elizabeth Keurvorst (EKeurvorst@whiterockcity.ca)
Subject: WRFL Photo
Attachments: IMG_0554.JPG; ATT00001.txt

Here is the photo to be used on Facebook and the City's web site to promote WRFL and the Jingle Bell White Rock.

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Director Recreation and Culture, City of White Rock
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-----Original Message-----

From: Redacted S. 22
Sent: December 4, 2019 3:34 PM
To: Eric Stepura <EStepura@whiterockcity.ca>; Jim Gordon <JGordon@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: Tada

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Christy Fox

Debbie Johnstone

From: Eric Stepura
Sent: December 5, 2019 8:34 AM
To: Elizabeth Keurvorst
Subject: Fwd: WRFL Photo

Please ask Kaelin or Courtney to add this photo onto the City's web site and Facebook to promote the WRFL and the Jingle Bell White Rock Events.

Thanks

Eric

Get [Outlook for iOS](#)

From: Eric Stepura
Sent: Wednesday, December 4, 2019 4:39:38 PM
To: **Redacted S. 22**
Subject: RE: Tada

Great job WRFL team!!

Eric

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From: Elizabeth Keurvorst
Sent: December 5, 2019 10:59 AM
To: Eric Stepura
Subject: FW: WRFL Photo - for social media

fyi

From: Kaelin Nelson <KNelson@whiterockcity.ca>
Sent: Thursday, December 5, 2019 10:42 AM
To: Elizabeth Keurvorst <EKeurvorst@whiterockcity.ca>; Courtney Westwood <CWestwood@whiterockcity.ca>
Subject: RE: WRFL Photo - for social media

Thanks Elizabeth!

I've posted on the City's twitter:



City of White Rock @whiterockcity · 15s

It's beginning to look like a winter wonderland at the waterfront! Lights are being set up for the White Rock Festival of Lights and #JingleBellWhiteRock happening this Saturday, Dec. 7 at 2 p.m. The official tree lighting ceremony is at 4:30 p.m.

whiterockcity.ca/JingleBell



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Sent: December 5, 2019 9:51 AM

To: Kaelin Nelson <KNelson@whiterockcity.ca>; Courtney Westwood <CWestwood@whiterockcity.ca>

Subject: FW: WRFL Photo - for social media

Hi

Can you please post this photo on FB and twitter.

Thanks.

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From: City of White Rock <newsletter@whiterockcity.ca>
Sent: December 6, 2019 9:53 AM
To: Eric Stepura
Subject: The Latest News from Recreation and Culture

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The City's Recreation and Culture team operate from the White Rock Community Centre, Horst and Emmy Werner Centre for Active Living, Centennial Park Centre and Arena, and Kent Street Activity Centre.

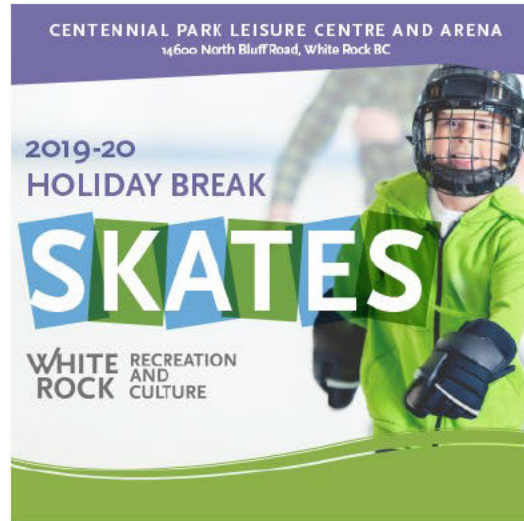
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WHITE ROCK THE REC AND CULTURE **BEAT!**



Jingle Bell White Rock

Saturday, December 7, 2:00-6:00 p.m.
Christmas craft fair, carolers, free Santa photos, tree lighting ceremony.
[Event Information.](#)



Holiday Break Skates

Special themes each day. **December 21-January 5** (excluding December 25/26).
Family Stick N Puck 11:30-12:15 p.m.;
Family Skate 12:30-2:30 p.m.
[Event Information.](#)



Holiday Family Sing Along

Join us on **Saturday, December 14** at this fun and festive family jam session. This interactive music party is age-appropriate and tons of family fun.
[Register Course #37613.](#)



Winter Wonderland Camp

Winter break is coming, and Bricks 4 Kidz is offering a half day camp **December 30-January 3** (excluding January 1). 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. or 1:00-4:00 p.m.
[Register WebREG.](#)



Warm Up To Winter

Register for Winter 2020 (January-March) classes before **December 20** and get 10% off.* View the new [Winter Recreation Guide](#) online.
*Some exceptions apply.



December Gym Training Program

Why wait until the New Year? Learn how to workout 'smart' with your own gym routine. Sign up for the special three session basic gym course. You will be ready for your New Year's resolution to be more active. Register in [Basic Gym Routine](#) or call 604.541.2199.



Sunrise Yoga Free Trial Class For Newcomers

Bring a sense of calm to your day. This morning Hatha Yoga class focuses on proper alignment, breath connection and mindfulness. **Thursday, December 12**, 8:00-9:00 a.m., Kent Street Activity Centre. Call 604.541.2199 to register.



Cardio & Strength Training Circuit Classes

Three sessions in December give you the opportunity to try something new. **Monday, Wednesday or Fridays 8:45 a.m.** at the Centre for Active Living. Your first class is on us! Just say "The Beat sent you."
[Drop-In Pass.](#)



The Perfect Gift

White Rock Recreation and Culture Gift Certificates are a great gift that can be used for a program or membership such as a fitness pass, seniors excursion, an art class and more. Call 604.541.2199 for more information.

Stained Glass Snowman

Create a beautiful stained glass ornament on **Saturday, December 14**, 10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m., Kent Street Activity Centre. Learn how to cut glass, grind and use a soldering iron. [Register Course #37744.](#)

Kent Street Activity Centre Coffee Shop

Drop-in Monday to Friday before **December 20** and enjoy a Christmas goodie or two or pick up a frozen meal to have over the Christmas season. Coffee shop hours 9:30 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.



[Register Now!](#)

Fresh & Lively Luncheons

Friday, December 13 is the last luncheon of the year. Enjoy an afternoon of wonderful entertainment plus a delicious meal at the Kent Street Activity Centre. To register, call Seniors Come Share Society at 604.531.9400, Ext 207.

Creative Cooking On The Farm

Seniors are invited to register for three cooking workshops being offered at Rocha's Heritage Farm **January 22, February 12 or March 11**. Transportation, snack and tour included. [Register Course #38352.](#)

WHITE ROCK COMMUNITY CENTRE

15154 Russell Avenue
White Rock, BC
604.541.2199

CENTENNIAL PARK LEISURE CENTRE

14600 North Bluff Road
White Rock, BC
604.541.2161

KENT STREET ACTIVITY CENTRE

1475 Kent Street
White Rock, BC
604.541.2231

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White Rock, BC V4B 1Y6
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**White Rock Recreation & Culture Staff Meeting
December 11, 2019 @ 10:15 am at CAL Education Room**

<p>Invited Eric Stepura Lee Reimer Dianne Sawicki Courtney Westwood Janna Nicholson Matt Randhawa Elizabeth Keurvorst Sylvia Yee</p>	<p>Absent John Stech</p>
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AGENDA ITEMS:

<p>1. Standing Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council Meeting Update – From Dec 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -SSWR Chamber asked for funding increase and received a decrease in funding -Museum presented their new strategic plan -WRFD asked for a grant for mobile ammonia detectors which was approved -Miramar Plaza events were approved -2020 Special Events approved except for Festival of Lights -Recommendation to include Seniors Resource contact info included in next Recreation Guide -Recommendation to add Seniors Friendly options on City website – Dianne S to work with Donna K -Bleachers for Remembrance Day approved -Request for WR to be a pollinator friendly City -Annual reports presented for committees of council -History and Heritage to be included in Recreation Guide in 2020 and a staff report on successes after • SMT Meeting Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Waterfront task force wants to visit La Connor via bus tour -Reminder to staff to sign in/out contractors for safety and to deter theft 	
<p>2. Reports to Prepare for Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pickle ball Court Facility Options • Nature interpretation signs 	<p>Eric</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blue Zones • Film Policy • Sea Festival Visitor & Business Survey Results – Jan 2020 • Public Art Policy Amendments – Dec 16 	
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3. Health & Safety	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JH & S Committee Update • Working Alone Program Status 	

4. Event Update	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas on the Peninsula • Jingle Bell Rock • Mistletoe Lunch • WR Festival of Lights • Polar Bear Swim 	

5. Action/Information Items	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recreation software project update: training started, more training in January • Information Sharing on Programs and Service • Respectful Workplace Policy – see attached policy • RCMP Safe Place – see attached information. Cpl Galenzoski is RCMP Liaison • Final 2019 Cheque Run - the last chq run for 2019 will be on Thursday, December 19....please submit your invoices & chq requests to me by Monday, December 16 at 4:30pm for processing. (Also 2019 Mileage reimbursements) • Staff Christmas Party Dec 12 from 5-8pm at Eric [Redacted S. 22] • Vacation Leave- memo to come out to Rec Staff 	

6. Centennial Park Leisure Centre	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chiller and dehumidifier replacement update 	

7. CAL	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fraser Health Cardiac Rehab Update – see attachment • Ammonia Evacuation drill at CAL 	

8. Kent Street Activity Centre	Action
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9. WRCC	Action
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10. Budget	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2020 Operating Budget and 2020-2024 Asset Improvements are now complete and under review by Council 	
11. Roundtable	Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jennifer Robbins to be the team captain for City's Coldest Night of the Year team 	
NEXT MEETING: Dec 18, 2019 @ 10 am at CAL	

Debbie Johnstone

From: The South Surrey White Rock Chamber Of Commerce <admin@sswrchamber.ccsend.com> on behalf of The South Surrey White Rock Chamber Of Commerce <admin@sswrchamber.ca>
Sent: December 23, 2019 5:02 PM
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Subject: Season's Greetings from the South Surrey & White Rock Chamber of Commerce

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Dear Chamber Family,

Thank you for being on the journey with us this past year. We are building new ground for the Chamber in terms of how we promote, support and advocate for our members. We are making a difference for local businesses and I am pleased to share that **95+ new members** have joined the Chamber in the last 12 months!

The Chamber played a leadership and advocacy role in a number of initiatives, including **Chefs for the Pier & Jingle Bell Rock**. Another recent success story is the **new seasonal lighting in Grandview, Ocean Park, Crescent Beach** and the upgraded lights along **152 St. near Semiahmoo Shopping Centre**. To show the growth and required support in these business neighbourhoods, the Chamber arranged a tour and meetings with business owners for City officials earlier this year. It is directly from that work that the City of Surrey made the investment. Many have shared what a difference it has made to give these areas a more festive and attractive feel for people going out to shop, dine or use the local services.

We have many more great things planned for 2020 and look forward to sharing those with you in due course. Please see the notices for the **Business Excellence Awards** and **Chinese New Year Celebration** below.

As we close out the year, I just want to say what an honour it has been to serve in this role for a little more than year. I remember Cliff Annable quite

often and I think he would be happy at how we have been able to move the Chamber forward.

Thank you to all of our members, new AND those who have been with us for years, our elected officials and the Board of Directors for supporting the Chamber. Thank you also to Leila and Kaelynn, the Chamber staff, for all of their hard work. It is through meaningful engagement and collaboration that we are able to do the work that we do.

I wish you a wonderful holiday season for Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, New Years and all the ways that you celebrate this special time of year with your families and friends. May it be filled with love, light, laughter, good health and prosperity! Here's to a great 2020 for us all!

Most Sincerely,
Ritu Khanna
Executive Director



Merry Christmas!

**The South Surrey & White
Rock Chamber of Commerce**
wishes you a wonderful holiday
season and a reminder to
support local businesses in our
great community!

Please note that the Chamber office will be
closed as of Monday December 23rd, 2019
and reopening on Monday, January 6th 2020.

CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION



**CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION DINNER
WEDNESDAY, JAN 15, 2020
6:00 PM - 8:30 PM**

IMPERIAL GARDEN CHINESE CUISINE, 1625 152ND ST, SURREY

Pre-registration is required. Contact the Chamber office.

Proudly brought to you by:



Chinese New Year.

Please join us for a special feast to kick off the year! Come enjoy an evening of great food, networking, door prizes, and entertainment with business, political, and community leaders.

We invite you to come dressed in traditional Chinese formal wear or something special in red in honour of

Sponsorship opportunities are available.

For more details, or to register, [please click here.](#)



The Business Excellence Awards Gala is fast approaching. To purchase tickets, see photos from last year's event, or to see the fabulous list of finalists for this year, [please click here.](#)

Wednesday, February 12, 2020
6PM-10PM

Hazelmere Golf & Tennis Club

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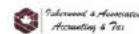
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Winter at the Waterfront Draft Meeting Notes – October 17, 2019

In attendance:

Mayor Walker

Alex Nixon, Executive Director, BIA

Ritu Khanna, Executive Director, WRSS Chamber of Commerce

Redacted S. 22, Chair, Waterfront Development Task Force

Redacted S. 22, White Rock Festival of Lights Society

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City Departments:

Engineering & Municipal Operations: Jim Gordon, Director

Recreation & Culture: Elizabeth Keurvorst, Manager Cultural Development

Background

There are two winter initiatives working in tandem:

1. The White Rock Festival of the Lights Society (WRFL) wish to beautify and light up the waterfront from December 6 to January 6, and,
2. The WRSS Chamber and other community businesses and organizations wish to create a Christmas/winter themed special event on December 7.

Mayor Walker stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss synergies resulting in:

- A lit up waterfront area during the dark winter season
- Enthusiasm from the businesses to participate in winter initiatives
- More people visiting White Rock during the off season

White Rock Festival of Lights – December 6, 2019 to January 6, 2020

This initiative, led by the WRFL Society, is working directly with the Engineering & Municipal Operations. Out of scope is a special event. In scope are the following details, being followed up on by Jim Gordon:

- Christmas themed lighting starting on December 7th on the Pier
- RGB lights on the museum before December 7th
- Six foot tall fir trees in buckets on the concrete amphitheater seating and around Memorial Park.
- Power on the median with trees in East Beach, west of Finlay and in front of the “Sea Shell Store” so they can be lit.
- Ideas for more affordable insurance for the WRFL Society’s initiative
- Monitoring, as needed, with s.22 of Crescent electrical for a permit and plugging in lights.

A Special Event during the White Rock Festival of Lights

While the Festival of Lights is a multi-day winter lights initiative, the desire to create a one-day special event in December at the waterfront was raised by the BIA and the WRSS Chamber of commerce.

The WRSS Chamber of Commerce has no budget or organizing team. They will provide in-kind marketing assistance and send a representative to the community committee.

The BIA will confirm that it has the capacity to partner with the City’s special event team to plan, coordinate and execute a special event on December 7 as a “B” level event.

Once BIA partnership is confirmed, the event is envisioned for December 7 from 1:30-5:30 followed by the International Yacht Club’s Sail Past. Activities could include:

- A large tent with clear walls on Memorial plaza, lit with small roof lights creating a snow globe effect
- A riser inside for choirs and other entertainers
- Ice sculptures outdoors on the plaza
- The Museum Christmas Craft Fair
- Dickens style Carollers

Next Steps

White Rock Festival of Lights:

Director Gordon and **Redacted S. 22** will continue to meet to plan and confirm details of the lighting initiative

Dec 7 Special Event – Working name: “Jingle Bell Rock” at the White Rock Festival of Lights

If the special events team confirm BIA partnership as a “B” level event, the next programming and logistics meeting will take place October 29 with Courtney, Elizabeth and BIA programming team.

If partnership is not secured, the City will have to decide whether to take the event on as an “A” level, or not hold an event.

Next Community Meeting for WRFL and the Special Event

Mayor’s office to schedule next update meeting with the entire group, to include:

- Mayor Walker
- Alex Nixon, Executive Director, BIA
- Ritu Khanna, Executive Director, WRSS Chamber of Commerce
- **Redacted S. 22**, Chair, Waterfront Development Task Force
- **Redacted S. 22** White Rock Festival of Lights Society
- **Redacted S. 22**, White Rock Festival of Lights Society
- City Departments:
- Engineering & Municipal Operations: Jim Gordon, Director
- Recreation & Culture: Elizabeth Keurvorst, Manager Cultural Development and/or
- Eric Stepura Director Recreation & Culture

Chris is adding

- Kathy James, White Rock Tourism
- Karin Bjerke-Lisle, Museum