



EAST VILLAGE NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION

2023 Annual General Meeting

Sunday, May 7, 2023

10:30 AM

carya Village Commons
610 8 Ave SE, Calgary, AB

We are honoured to live and work in Treaty 7, the traditional territories of the Blackfoot Confederacy, comprised of the Siksika, Kainai, and Piikani First Nations; the Tsuut'ina First Nation; and the Stoney Nakoda, including the Chiniki, Bearspaw, and Wesley First Nations. The City of Calgary is also home to the Métis Nation of Alberta, Region III. We honour and respect the diverse history, languages, ceremonies, and culture of the indigenous people who call these areas home.



EVNA 2023 AGM Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Call to Order
3. Introductions
4. Approval of Minutes from previous year's AGM
5. Overview of 2022 / President's Report
6. Treasurer's Report, Financial Statements and Motions
7. Committee Reports to Community
9. Present Board Nominees
10. Election of Board of Directors for upcoming year
11. Guest Presentations
12. Question and Answer Period
13. Adjournment



Current Board of Directors



Ken Peach
President



Jenn Machin
Vice President



Kate Potts
Secretary



Allison Hay
Garden Fairy



Addie Suchorab
Planning



Victoria Lepa
Community Engagement



Tom Jenson
Web and Tech Support Coordinator

Past Vice President

Motion 1

**Minutes of the 2022 Annual General Meeting to be approved
and accepted into record**

Michael Wright

Reports to Community

President's Report – 2022 in Review

- Focused on Community Outreach including regular meetings with:
 - CMLC
 - Round Table sessions to discuss Downtown Strategy
 - Greater Downtown Plan
 - Safety & Vitality
 - Other Community Associations
 - Much much more...

Reports to Community

Financial Committee Report

- EVNA continues to have healthy finances. Financial prudence has always been one of our guiding mandates and it informs our approach every step of the way.
- Evergreen Business Solutions has been our bookkeeping service for three years now, giving us that sense of security that our accounting is completed in full compliance.
- Some great steps the Finance Committee has taken in the past year:
 - By consistently requiring three quotes or price breakdowns for any single expense over \$500, we have been able to save an estimated 10 to 20 per cent on individual invoicing.
 - Updated our insurance provider to Toole Peet. Toole Peet has the Federation of Calgary Communities Program that is built specific for community groups.
 - Focus on finding grants and sponsorships to help balance expenses. The largest of these being the Greater Downtown Plan Community & Neighbourhood Association Programming Funding grant at \$20,000/year.

Motion 2

**That the Treasurer's Report and the unaudited
Financial Statements of the East Village
Neighbourhood Association
for the year ending December 31, 2022
be accepted as presented.**

Reports to Community

Planning Committee Report

- The 5th&Third development continued to grow and we saw the second and taller tower at The Arris Development (above 5th&Third) rise as it was under construction.
- We welcomed **Who Care's** retail in Evolution, **Liquor Boutique** at Verve, **Mr. Sun Tea** in the INK building, and **cōchu Chocolatier** at its new location across from the St. Louis Hotel building on 8th Ave. SE.
- CMLC held a design competition for new East Village public washrooms in the summer of 2022. Temporary portable toilets are currently adjacent to the community garden.
- In total, EVNA received and responded to **seven (7) Development Permits in 2022** and **three (3) DPs and three (3) applications in 2023 so far**. The majority of these have been extension of temporary parking lot permits, temporary use (take-out food service in parking lot), change of use (restaurant), and addition of use (retail).

Reports to Community

Community Engagement Report

- In 2022, we recognized the natural interconnections with the work being done by the Events Committee, Street Fair Committee and the Marketing Committee, and to support efficiencies, we have changed our Events Director position to a Community Engagement Director.

- **2022 Events:**

- Bike Day
- Neighbour Day
- Street Fair
- Kite Day
- Purge & Splurge
- Kick-off to the Holidays
- Holiday Movie Night

Marketing Fun Facts!

- 🌐 Our Reel create on Neighbour Day is our most watched – with over 3,000 views!
- 🌐 75% of our social media audience is in Calgary, meaning we are directly reaching folks who live, work and play in our community.
- 🌐 Our Street Fair reels reached 3,134 unique users on Instagram.

Reports to Community

Garden Committee Report

- Our garden area has 88 garden plots. These include raised beds for those with mobility challenges, accessible water and a communal garden shed.
- The garden opened May 14, 2022 & closed for the winter season on October 18th.
- We had zero behavioural incidents and very little vandalism or garden raids.
- Hosted a very successful seedling sale with Neighbours Nursery!
- Gardeners also enjoyed pop up crafts and finding garden fairy notes highlighting the beauty of each plot.
- Registration requires an EVNA membership for \$7.00 prior to renewing a garden membership which is \$33.00. All in, the price for garden is \$40.00.



Reports to Community

Garden Committee Report (con't)

2023 season:

Saturday, May 6 – Garden opened.

Saturday, May 20 – Seedling sale with Neighbours Nursery & a Master Gardener.

Monday, June 12 – All plots must be planted or considered abandoned.

Tuesday, June 27 – Evening Garden Craft.

Tuesday, July 11 – Garden Surprise.

August – Annual Fairy Awards.

Saturday, September 23 – Early bird draw for cleared plots.

Sunday, October 1 – Garden Party.

Wednesday, October 11 – Garden Cleanup.

Sunday, October 15 – Garden Closes.

Reports to Community

Business and Arts Committee Report

A new committee this year, we have been working toward creating new initiatives and identifying ways to help support our businesses. Our first big initiative is to launch the Community Discount Card for EVNA members.

COMMUNITY DISCOUNT CARD

We are so excited to be partnering with our local businesses to provide our members with exclusive discounts for shopping local. Starting May 7, 2023, your East Village Neighborhood Association membership will include access to these discounts, all you need to do is show the cashier when paying.

Huge thank you to **Mr. Sun Tea!** As the first confirmed business, they are providing **10% off** to EVNA Members.



Motion 4

**Accept the Community Reports as presented
into official record.**

Proposed Bylaw Amendments

2018 Bylaw Wording:

6.5.3 The Secretary shall:

- b) attend each General Meeting and each meeting of the Board and the Executive and ensure accurate minutes are kept of such meetings;

2021 Bylaw Wording:

6.2.5.3 The Secretary:

- a) records accurate minutes of all EVNA board meetings, the Board, and the Executive Committee, and distributes copies of the same to Board members;

Proposed Amendment to 2021 Bylaws for Motion:

6.2.5.3 The Secretary:

- a) records accurate minutes of all EVNA **General Meetings**, board meetings, and Executive Committee meetings, and **maintains and** distributes copies of the same to Board members;

Motion 5

**Motion to accept amendment to bylaws as per the
Government of Alberta.**

**This amendment is to the Bylaws approved by the
community on July 24, 2021 Annual General Meeting**

2022 Board Nominees

The following slate of names is being presented for election to the Board.

Ken Peach

Jenn Machin

Addie Suchorab

Javier Garcia

Kate Potts

Victoria Lepa

Roy Stuart

Motion 6 – From the Floor

**My name is _____, I move it be resolved that
Ken Peach, Jenn Machin, Victoria Lepa, Kate Pott,
Addie Suchorab, Roy Stuart, and Javier Garcia.
be elected as Directors of the East Village
Neighbourhood Association.**

Guest Presentation: CMLC

Amanda Eveson

Senior Manager, Community Engagement

Guest Presentation: Councillor Ward 7

Councillor Terry Wong

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Guest Presentation: MLA for Calgary-Buffalo

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Guest Presentation: Member of Parliament – Calgary Centre

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LET'S HEAR YOU!

We thrive on your feedback.

**Questions
&
Comments**

Motion 7

Allison moves that the meeting be adjourned.

Adjournment

The AGM for the 2023 calendar year is expected to take place in April/May 2024.

We look forward to seeing you again!