May 9 GPC Consent Items

Attachment A – Draft City Plan GPC Amendments

- 1. Include the following two elements of language in the start of the Green Policies section:
 - 1. Tying the green policies to the goal of staying within the ecological limits as outlined in the City doughnut
 - 2. Connecting services to the 'human needs' inner circle of the doughnut
- 2. Include in the City Plan a policy statement about advocating to the Provincial government for additional power and policy tools to meet cities' climate goals.
- 3. Retitle section C1.2 from "Climate Adaptation and Hazard Management" to "Climate Adaptation and Hazard Mitigation"
- 4. Strengthen language for the policy C1.2.2 to communicate "support community and neighbourhood-level organizations that improve capacity and resilience of the community"
- 5. Streamline and clarify policies C1.2.6 to C1.2.8 under Planning and Strategy (page 57-58)
- 6. Replace "rainwater attenuation" with "surface runoff management" under section C1.3 Urban Tree Canopy, Natural Areas and Greenways.
- 7. Clarify the goal of policy C1.3.1 (page 59) under Urban Tree Canopy, Natural Areas and Greenways.
- 8. Add tree planting to existing neighborhoods, not just new and redevelopment sites in policy C1.3.2 (page 59).
- 9. Add consideration of food security in policy C1.3.4, to include food security with ecosystem biodiversity and resiliency when replacing or planting new trees in public spaces.
- 10. Include a policy in section C1.3 that states that the City will endeavour to increase, prioritize and include the planting of fruit and nut trees in public spaces where hard infrastructure and safe transportation will not be impacted by falling fruit.
- 11. Consider stronger and simpler language to the extent possible on Page 60 under section C1.3.
- 12. Remove 'continue to' in C1.4.3 and C1.4.4 (page 63) of the Draft City Plan.
- 13. Move policy C1.5.3 on Page 65 that states "Coordinate utility infrastructure upgrades with transportation and/or parks improvements to minimize disruption and optimize community investments" to Goal 5 Prosperous
- 14. Move the section Servicing Costs (page 66) in Green Policies to Goal 5 Prosperous

- 15. Update policy C1.6.5 (page 67) of the Draft City Plan to support eliminating organic matter sent to the regional landfill by 2030.
- 16. Remove Policy C1.7.2 from the Draft City Plan to be considered in the action plan.
- 17. Remove the word "Encouraging" from Policy C.2.5.3. of the Draft City Plan.
- 18. Change the title of section C3.4 to Community Safety and Security and add additional policies reflecting community safety.
- 19. Add additional policies reflecting community safety, and increased emphasis on safety and security, notably in the downtown.
- 20. Include, for consistency, a reference to different genders in the Desired Outcomes policy section C4.2 Equity and Inclusivity.
- 21. Add the following under section C4.6 Archeological and Heritage: "Recognize the Newcastle neighbourhood as the original location of an important Snuneymuxw village as well as containing built heritage sites dating back to when the City of Nanaimo was established; and ensure that infill in this heritage area is sensitive and mindful of its historic character".
- 22. Change the designation on the east side of Terminal Avenue in the Newcastle Neighbourhood from Residential Corridor to the Neighbourhood designation on Figure 26 and Schedule 2 Land Use Map.
- 23. Change the designation on the east side to Terminal Avenue in the Newcastle Neighbourhood for the three mixed use areas from Mixed Use Corridor to Neighbourhood Centre designation on Figure 26 and Schedule 2 Land Use Map.
- 24. Change the target density for the Old City Neighbourhood from 50 units per hectare to 40 units per hectare.
- 25. Amend policy D4.3.16 in the draft City Plan to read: "Discourage new large areas of surface parking and drive-thru's in Urban Centres, with strong preference for under-building or underground parking. Continue to evolve auto-oriented uses into more pedestrian-friendly and accessible development forms and mix of uses."
- 26. Amend policy D4.5.30 to read: "Set the maximum building height to be 3 storeys. Building heights greater than 3 storeys may be considered where:
 - Stepped transition is provided with adjacent land uses and built forms; and,
 - Height impacts are minimized by onsite or nearby natural or built features (e.g. slope of land or major transportation corridor)."
- 27. Change the buffer between industrial lands and the Cable Bay Trail from 50 metres to an average of 100 metres.

- 28. Strengthen the language used to reference neighbourhood plans from using "supporting" to language such as "primary", or "key.
- 29. Amend policy E.1.2.1 to read: "Council will host an annual engagement opportunity to hear the collective concerns and priorities of neighbourhoods, and to share updates on City initiatives."
- 30. Add new policy to Section E 1.2: "The City will establish an organizational process where individual neighbourhood associations meet every 5 years (at least) to set priorities for their neighbourhood in writing."
- 31. That DPA 8: Form and Character Guidelines be reviewed by the Design Advisory Panel and consultation occur with the development community.