

Delegation Request

Delegation's Information:

Ann Livingston, Nanaimo Area Network of Drug Users, has requested an appearance before Council.

City: Nanaimo

Province: BC

Delegation Details:

The requested date is November 21, 2022.

The requested meeting is:
Council

Bringing a presentation: Yes

Details of the Presentation: 1. Since 2016, health authorities in BC have been under order of the Minister of Health to establish overdose prevention services (OPS) wherever there is need, for the purpose of monitoring people at risk of overdose and providing overdose response as needed. Thousands of people fatally overdose each year in BC (10,000 plus deaths in BC since 2016), many communities remain without OPS for smoking drugs. Oftentimes, citizens set up these life-saving services. OPS are necessary—both to save lives and in accordance with public health laws. Local governments or police who obstruct OPS contravene a Ministerial Order; violate provincial jurisdiction over health; discriminate against people who use drugs; and put communities at even greater risk. 2. NANDU history & purposes 3.