



Happening in West Bay

Local news and information from the West Bay Residents Association



Community Update #1: May, 2021

Happy Spring to the West Bay Community

The Board of the WBRA is pleased to introduce to you the first Community Update newsletter for 2021.

In this issue



Highlights of this edition include the latest information on West Bay neighbourhood development proposals – did you know there are currently eight **new** development proposals underway in our community?

[See All Developments](#)

Also, have you ever wondered what process a developer goes through to amend an **Official Community Plan** and/or **zoning bylaw**?

[Learn About the Process](#)

Do you want to know how to contact Esquimalt Council or where to **send a letter to Council**?

[Find Out How](#)

All this and more is included in this update and is available on our website.



We have [information on DADUs](#), Esquimalt's answer to gentle backyard densification, and the [Public Service Building's Alternate Approval Process](#) for undertaking a \$35 million loan.



We also have an interesting update on the new sewage treatment plant from the WBRA representative of the Esquimalt Liaison Committee.

[See the Update](#)



Included here are links to information about Esquimalt's rich heritage, including our Heritage Registry, and Esquimalt's Heritage Policy.

[See Our Heritage](#)



We finish off with thoughts for a possible community event for the summer, COVID-19 permitting, called Meet Your Neighbour.

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More Updates

The WBRA Board plans to continue providing updates so make sure to keep an eye out for Community Update #2. If you are not already signed up for WBRA updates, email us to be added to the list.

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In this next edition you will find all the regular updates as well as other interesting resources, tools and information pieces.

Sneak preview – Did you know that West Bay actually had a **brewery** at one time? The residents of the property where it was located are still pulling out 100 year-old beer bottles from their garden.

Also watch for "Understanding the OCP" which will be about as exciting as any article about an OCP can be.

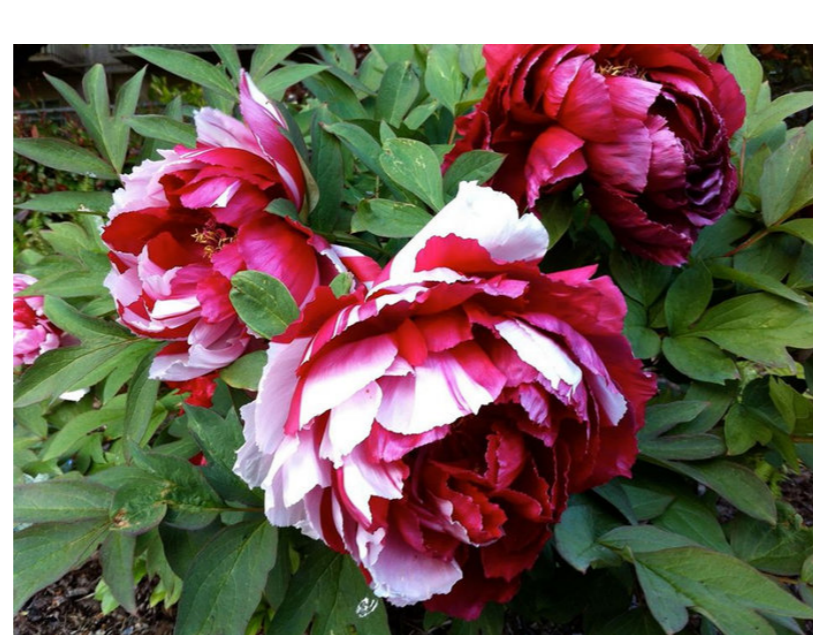
About WBRA

A little bit about us—the WBRA is an ambassador and dedicated advocate for the West Bay community, as well as a resource to the residents of the area and others. We have been a registered Society since 1992. If you have not already done so, please register your membership by visiting the Become a Member page on our website.

[Become a Member](#)

Membership is a great way of giving back to your community, keeping up to date and informed on important issues and connecting with other residents in the area. Make sure to follow our [Facebook page](#) and check out the [website](#) regularly. They are both full of information, resources and tools.

Contact Us



We want to keep in touch. If you have any questions, concerns or items to discuss or share, or suggestions for the website, newsletter or Facebook page, fill out our contact form. We do our best to respond to all communications within 24 hours.

[Get in Touch](#)

Or, you can email us directly at westbayresidentsassoc@shaw.ca.

Stay safe.

WBRA Board Members



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