



## AGENDA

Wednesday, April 15 2015  
6:00-8:30 pm



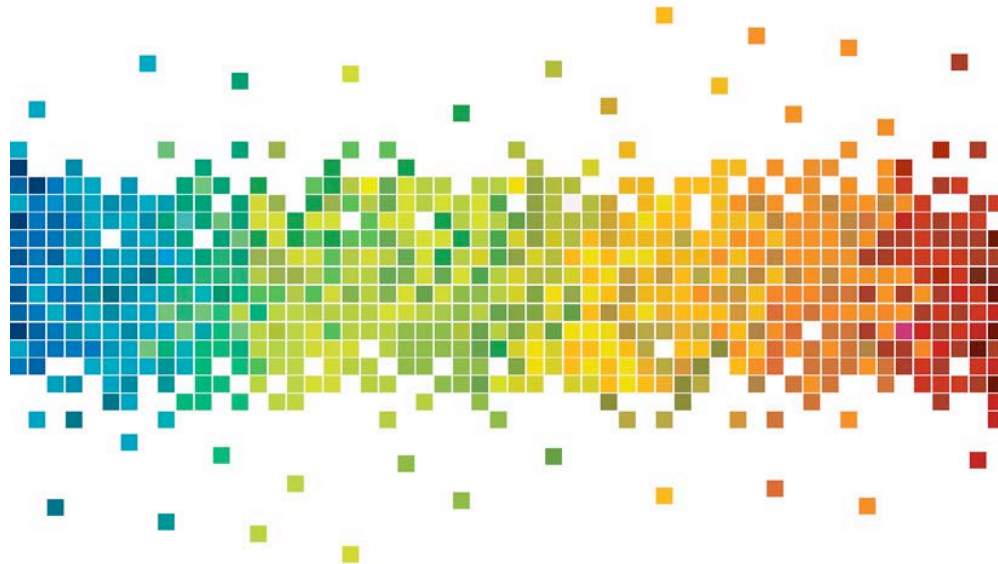
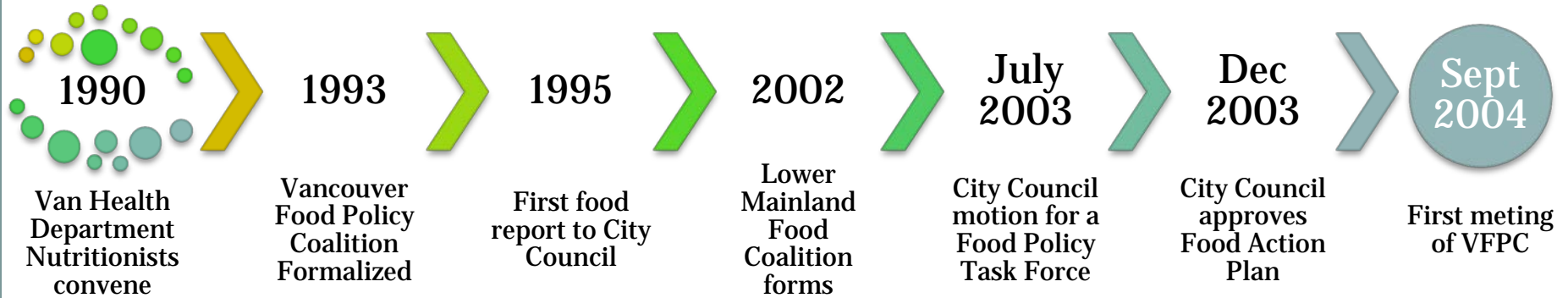
Chairs: Zsuzsi Fodor & Tara Moreau  
Regrets: Janet Fraser, Adriane Carr

### Agenda Items:

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|--------------|--|---------------|------------------|
| 1.           | Motion to Accept Agenda and Previous Minutes<br>(November 2014 Minutes)  | 5 min         | 6:00-6:05        |
| 2.           | Introductions – Meet the new Council!  | 40 min        | 6:05-6:45        |
| 3.           | Introduction to the VFPC <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• History</li><li>• How We Work, Roles &amp; Responsibilities</li></ul> | 45 min        | 6:45-7:30        |
| <b>Break</b> |  | <b>15 min</b> | <b>7:30-7:45</b> |
| 5.           | Presentations by Staff <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Social Planning (James O’Neill)</li></ul>                               | 45 min        | 7:45-8:30        |
| 6.           | Motion to Adjourn  |               | 8:30             |

***Please join us after the formal meeting from 8:30 onward at Original Joe’s for socializing.***

# VFPC: 14 years in the making



# Ten Year Top 10



- **Food Policy in the COV:**
  - 2010 Garden Plots by 2010 (2006)
  - Vancouver Food Charter (2007)
  - Vancouver Food Strategy (2013)
  - Parks Board Local Food Assets Task Force (2013/2014)
  - Proclamations:
    - ✦ Non GMO Week (2014)
    - ✦ Meatless Monday
- **Community gatherings and stakeholder consultations around issues and priority areas**
  - Hosted International Food Security Conference (2006)
  - Report: How Secure is Vancouver in a Changing World (2010)
  - Hosted an All Candidates Forum (2014)
  - Answer questions and provided support to local and international groups
- **Community Development**
  - Supported creation of the Vancouver Youth Food Policy Council (2012-2014)
  - Letters of support for community groups/projects (ongoing)
- **And more!**

# VFPC Governance Policies



- **Terms of Reference**
- **Code of Conduct**
- **Procedure By-law No 9756**



# City Advisory Committees Terms of Reference



*(passed by City Council December 2014)*

## ***Policy Advice***

- Provide input to City Council and city staff about issues of concern
- Consider any matters which may be referred to the Committee by Council or staff
- May take positions on policy initiatives from other levels of government within the mandate of the Committee

## ***Collaboration***

- Work co-operatively with other agencies whose activities affect constituent communities, including initiating and developing relevant projects
- Act as a resource for staff doing public involvement processes and/or civic events

## ***Awareness & Outreach***

- Exchange information with the constituent communities and the general public about relevant programs and issues of interest
- Engage in outreach to disseminate information and encourage participation from constituent communities

# VFPC Terms of Reference



**Mandate** To support the development of a food system where food is:

- Safe, nutritious, and culturally appropriate
- Affordable, available, and accessible to all
- Produced, processed, marketed, consumed, and waste products reused or managed in a manner that is:
- Financially viable
- Protects the health and dignity of people
- Minimally impacting the environment

**Additional Terms of Reference** Advises Council and staff on the *Vancouver Food Strategy* as it is developed, implemented, and updated

**Membership** 21 voting members (11 is quorum) including 15 from the following food system areas (three members from each area):

1. Production 2. Processing and Distribution 3. Retail 4. Access and Consumption 5. Waste Management

The council also has six at-large members

# 2015 Voting Members

Production	Processing & Distribution	Retail	Access & Consumption	Waste Management	Members at Large
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rebecca Cuttler</li><li>• Chashma Heinze</li><li>• Ilana Labow</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• TBD</li><li>• Caitlin Dorward</li><li>• Colin Stansfield</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Larry Copeland</li><li>• Pat McCarthy</li><li>• David Speight</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Anna Cavouras</li><li>• Andrew Cristie</li><li>• Antonietta Gesualdi</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dirk Gibbs</li><li>• Will Jung</li><li>• Emme Lee</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Veronik Campbell</li><li>• Zsuzsi Fodor</li><li>• Kim Hodgson</li><li>• Tara Moreau</li><li>• Nicholas Scapillati</li><li>• Gabrielle Kissinger</li></ul>

- Members are appointed by City Council for a 2-year term (March 3 2015 – Feb 28, 2017)
- 21 appointed voting members
  - 1 current vacancy

# 2015 Non Voting Members



- **City Council:** Councillor Heather Deal
- **City Council:** Councillor Adriane Carr
- **Park Board:** Commissioner Michael Wiebe
- **School Board:** Trustee Janet Fraser
- **COV Staff:** James O'Neill & Mary Clare Zak
  
- **Metro Vancouver:** Theresa Duynstee
- **Vancouver Coastal Health:** Corinne Eisler
- **Ministry of Agriculture:** Orlando Schmidt





**How can we (the VFPC, community leaders and concerned citizens) advance the development of food policies that align with creating just and sustainable food systems?**

# 2014 Meetings



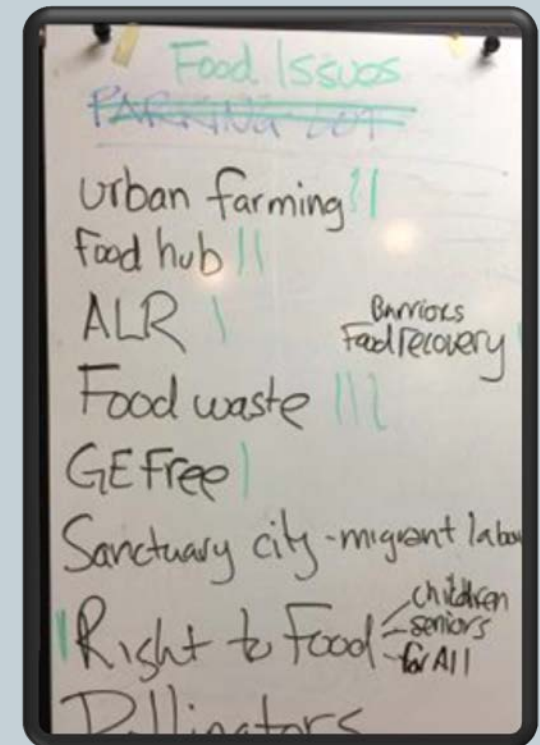
- **Jan – A Citizens Guide to the ALR**
- **Feb – VFPC 2014 Work Plan**
- **March – Engaging Across Diversity**
- **April – Urban Pollinators**
- **May – Migrant Farm Labour in the Lower Mainland**
- **June – Policy Priorities for 2014**
- **July – A Year of Reconciliation**
- **Sept – The Right to Food**
- **Oct – All Candidates Forum**
- **Nov – Term-End Reflection**

# 2012-2014 Topic Areas to Carry On



## From outgoing VFPC member reflections (Nov. 2014):

- Right to Food for All
- Sanctuary City and Migrant Labour
- More diversity in VFPC representation
- Urban farming policy and practices
- Accessible agricultural land
- Food in new development policy
- Climate change and resilient food systems
- Green jobs in the food sector
- Financial support for school food programs



# Action Items



- **Dividing roles and responsibilities (May meeting)**
  - Communication
  - Meetings
  - Outreach
  - Other
- **Retreat?**
- **Upcoming Events**
  - Council of Council meetings April 27 5:15-8:30
  - Let's Talk Food Policy May 7 – for VFPC members by invite
- **Google Group**