

Buena Vista Community Association 2016 Spring Newsletter

The BVCA's Proposal for a Bicycle Pump Track in Buena Vista Park

Buena Vista Community association has proposed a community-built and maintained bicycle "pump track", focusing on youth engagement in physical activity in our neighborhood. This is a small-scale compacted gravel track designed for use by elementary aged children. The project has been planned to have as little impact on the park and community as possible by being placed in a low-use section of Buena Vista Park. Construction is expected to begin as early as Summer 2016.



PROPERTY OWNER IN BUENA VISTA?

Buena Vista Community Association is looking for a lot with water access for use as a community garden. This is a chance to ensure a generational legacy for you and your family with naming rights and a charitable donation tax receipt. Contact bvcapics@yahoo.ca

What is a Bicycle Pump Track?

A bicycle pump track is a small scale (usually dirt) bicycle course for children as young as 4 years of age. It consists of small, evenly spaced hills designed to allow the user to pump the weight up and down on the bike, generating momentum. This allows the user to negotiate the track without the need to pedal. Pump tracks are an excellent tool to learn bike handling skills while improving balance and are guaranteed to have users working up a sweat!

Buena Vista Park Bike Pump Track Community Information Session

Where: Buena Vista Park Rec Centre (Paddling Pool Building)

When: Tuesday, April 19, 2016, 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM (Come and go)

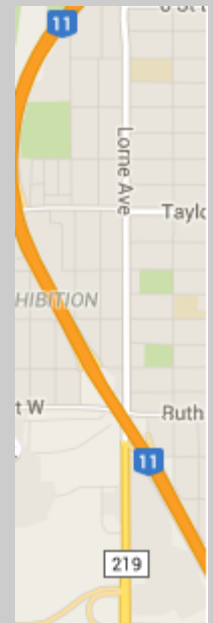
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Forming a Business Improvement District for the Lorne Avenue Area

A business improvement district describes a bounded area in the city in which the businesses are deemed to share common economic interests. In each BID a board composed of local business members and political representatives works to improve the economic climate of the area. Common activities undertaken by the district board include streetscape beautification and infrastructure improvements, branding and marketing of the area and acting as a lobbying and planning group.



Existing BIDs cover areas including Broadway, Downtown and Riversdale.

The BIDs operations are funded by a variety of mechanisms. Each business in an district pays a small incremental property tax and the BID is also eligible for a variety of grants along with revenue from sources such as parking meters .

The Lorne Avenue area deserves a BID. Home to dozens of businesses, Lorne Avenue is a historic commercial and residential section of Saskatoon. Lorne also serves as a unifying link between Broadway, Downtown, Riversdale, the recreational opportunities available in the South-East Meewasin trail system and the Chief Whitecap Trail tourism corridor. The mix of urban and outdoor activities available from Lorne are unique within Saskatoon. The boundaries of the proposed BID are laid out in the map on the right.

Come join the BVCA at our BID proposal open house on May 6th at Buena Vista School to learn more about the plan.

Lorne Avenue Business Improvement District Community Information Session

Where: Buena Vista School Library (2nd Floor)

When: Friday, May 6, 2016, 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM (Come and go)

More Information: e-mail the BVCA at bvcapics@yahoo.ca

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Contact us!



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BVCA Notes

Secretary and Treasurer positions have openings. Check website for info on these positions and on our next meeting.

BVCA Newsletter Information & Rates:

Free ads for members & non-profit groups, pre-schools and recreational-based organizations, within the Buena Vista neighbourhood. Business: \$25 business card size, \$50 1/4 page, \$100 1/2 page. Email bvcapics@yahoo.ca for info.