## **Burquitlam-Lougheed Neighbourhood Plan**

## Market Analysis Findings and Lessons Learned



# **Realistic and Strategic Approach**



In order to capitalize on the opportunity to draw investment into the neighbourhood, the City must be realistic and strategic about the form, character, and mix of development.



# Demographics

Generally more people at early stages of establishing their household

- Lower Average Income
- More New Canadians
- **More Renters**
- **Younger Population**





# **Making Projections**

#### **Theoretical Capacity**



Additional housing units that could theoretically be built under full build-out of existing land uses.



# **City Projection\***

Apartment

**Proportion of anticipated development** currently expected by the City for Burquitlam and Lougheed.

> \* Will be revised based on the outcomes of the BLNP.



# **Residential Housing Demand**

### **Key Findings**

- Demand for up to 9,240 more housing units by 2039
- Initial demand from younger, price-sensitive buyers and investors
- Later demand from mature professionals and empty nesters
- Continual high demand for apartments



## *Projected Additional Market Demand by Housing Type, BLNP Area, 2015-2039*







# **Residential Housing Demand**

### Key Learnings

- Full demand is unlikely to be met as sufficient land is not available for singlefamily units
- Limited supply of new single-family increases demand for duplex, 3/4plex and townhouses
- Supply of duplex, 3/4-plex, and townhouse is also constrained
- Rental housing is a key part of the overall housing mix to provide choice

### **Families Make Choices**





# **Fostering Housing Choice**

### Key Learnings

- Currently land designated Medium Density Residential allows for both townhouses and 4-8 story apartments
- Apartments are more profitable and also in high demand
- Demand for Townhouses is expected to exceed supply
- Should the BLNP consider exploring extending the Townhouse only designation to this area?

#### **Existing Medium Density Residential Designation**



Should the BLNP consider extending the Townhouse designation to this area to aid in the transition of land uses and provide more housing options for families?



**Potential Profit** 









## Key Findings

- Coquitlam has approximately 660,000 sq.ft of office space (0.9% of region)
- Downtown Vancouver and other major centres have 74% of office inventory
- Suburban office vacancy rates are higher with lower lease rates
- Office development occurs very slowly at new SkyTrain stations
- Burquitlam and Lougheed are competing with other stations for office development



Source: Metro Vancouver



#### **Three Studies**

- Coquitlam Office Demand and Development Location Analysis - Colliers -2012
- Burquitlam Real Estate Market Review and Economic Assessment - Coriolis - 2013
- Burquitlam-Lougheed Market Analysis -Colliers & Urban Analytics - 2015

#### General findings:

- Low market demand for larger office buildings
- Incentives that the City could provide to effect the office market are likely to be insufficient

#### Metro Vancouver Office Market Statistics

Submarket	Inventory	Vacancy Rate
Downtown Vancouver	24,474,000	6.0%
Broadway Corridor	6,471,000	3.3%
Burnaby	10,728,000	10.8%
Richmond	3,903,000	17.7%
New Westminster	1,739,000	16.4%
North Shore	2,407,000	5.9%
Surrey	3,834,000	21.0%
Langley	1,105,000	14.3%
Coquitlam	660,000	12.2%



#### Key Learnings

 Office and retail development does not just happen because of the SkyTrain

(i.e. Holdom, Sperling-Burnaby Lake, and Rupert Stations)

 Office demand in new locations builds very slowly





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**Rupert Station** 



### Key Learnings

- Longer-term citywide approach needed to attract office
- City Centre may be more attractive location for office than Burquitlam-Lougheed

New office development in the Tri-Cities requires:

- A large comprehensive site
- A major anchor and/or government tenant
- Well-established amenities
- Modest incentives are likely to be insufficient



Coquitlam City Centre (20,000 sq. ft.)



Suterbrook Village, Port Moody (130,000 sq. ft.)



# **Commercial Market Demand**

### Key Findings

- Local office opportunity within • mixed-use projects will occur
- Opportunity for growth in convenience retail and localserving shops and services
- New residents could support up to 720,500 sq. ft. of commercial space by 2041
- Full demand is unlikely to be met due to competition from other areas



Street-oriented London Drugs, Vancouver



City Centre Streetscape, Coquitlam

### Key Learnings

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2002 plans provided potential capacity for over 4.5 million sq. ft. of commercial space

Sufficient capacity and mix exists should office development opportunities

• The 2016 plan needs to be strategic about location of commercial supply



# **Commercial Potential**



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#### Residents travel west for shops & services



#### **Residents travel for** shops & services

Lougheed Town Centre



# Next Steps

#### The Plan will need to:

- Provide the appropriate amount of local serving retail/office space to meet new demand
- Incorporate opportunities for local retail/office into the neighbourhood centres
- Focus new retail space where it will perform well and support a vibrant neighbourhood centre
- Use increased housing demand to help with land use transitions





# Discussion

## 1. Commercial - Retail/Office

2. Residential





# Lougheed Town Centre Redevelopment

- Shape Properties is planning redevelopment (similar to Brentwood redevelopment)
- 15.4 hectare site (38 acres)
- Approximately 1.2 million sq. ft. retail space
- 1 million sq. ft. of office space
- 8,000 + residential units
- Anticipated to start within 5-years



Images provided by Shape Properties from a presentation given to the Vancouver Real Estate Forum: www.realestateforums.com



