



Chinatown Business Improvement Area (BIA)

6th Annual General Meeting (AGM) for the Year Ending 2020

Agenda for Monday January 11th at 5pm Virtual Meeting via Zoom

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(Issued as of 2021 January 4th)

Virtual session starts at 4:30pm for online registration and socializing discussions.

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AGM meeting starts at 5:00pm if quorum reached

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If quorum is not established by 5:15pm, per BIA Board Approval (Wednesday January 6th), a special Annual General Meeting will be held with those ratepayer members present.

Agenda

1. Call the Meeting to Order – If Quorum Reached – Grace Su
2. Welcome the CBIA Ratepayers and Guests – Grace Su
3. Approving 2020 AGM minutes – Bruce Brownlee
4. Approving 2021 AGM Agenda – Bruce Brownlee
5. Introduction of the 2020 Board of Director Elections

- I. CBIA Board Director - Resignations
 - Carie Ku – Elected 2019

- II. CBIA Board Directors continuing for 2021
 - Bruce Brownlee – Ratepayer Director – elected 2020
 - Ronald Cheung – Ratepayer Director – elected 2020
 - Annette Fung – Ratepayer Director – elected 2020
 - Sandy Kwong – Associate Director – elected 2020
 - Michael Matas – Ratepayer Director – elected 2020
 - Danny Ng – Ratepayer Director – elected 2020

- III. Ratepayer director two-year term completed 2020
 - Jeff Mah – Elected 2019

- IV. Ratepayer director one-year term completed 2020
 - Anissa Wong – Elected 2020

- IV. Associate Director two-year term completed 2020
 - Grace Su – Elected 2019
 - Lillian Pan – Elected 2019

6. Elections of 2021 Directors – Five (5) Vacancies

Ratepayer Nominations

- Jeff Mah – Elected 2019
- Anissa Wong – Elected 2020

Associate Nominations

- Grace Su – Elected 2019
- Lillian Pan – Elected 2019

The nomination submissions are in good order. The individual statements of why the candidates wish to be elected are attached.

As there are no additional nominations received before 4pm January 4th, 2021, the nominated candidates will be acclaimed at the meeting if there no additional nominations received during the Annual General Meeting; at least two nominations on the floor are required for an election.

If there is an election required, the following election process will be carried out:

- Introduction of Nominees / Speech
- Election
- Announce Results of 2021 Board of Directors elections – Bruce Brownlee

7. 2020 Treasurer Report – Ronald Cheung

- 2020 Financial Statement as of 2020 December 31- unaudited
- 2019 Auditor Report

8. Motion to amend the CBIA By-laws – Bruce Brownlee

- Change of Board Composition to require a minimum of 6 BIA ratepayers and a minimum of 3 Associate members
- Change of Board Director years of service to allow unlimited consecutive years of Board Director service (previously limited to six – 6 – years.)

9. Other business arising

Nomination Candidate Statements:

Jeff Mah, Ratepayer Candidate

I, Jeff Mah, wish to continue to serve on the Chinatown BIA Board:

- Primarily to smooth the building, bid and design process of principally of the parking lot known as Grand Cathay, but also of other parking lots or reconstruction sites in Chinatown.
- Our family believes a building plus the same amount of parking is beneficial to Chinatown
- We hope that this 3rd proposal can be built. It looks great, is fantastic value condos, and has retail / restaurant presence
- Having (?) communications to the building and our family is easier, especially if I can serve on the BIA Board

Annisa Wong, Ratepayer Candidate

It has been my pleasure to be a member of the Chinatown BIA Board of Directors and recognize the positive efforts and rewards that the BIA delivers for our ratepayers.

In my first year, I have witnessed how the BIA demonstrates its versatility and flexibility when challenged by COVID-19. This pandemic was never planned but yet, the BIA showed that it can lead and support the BIA ratepayers during difficult times and bring positive results especially in addressing ratepayer and community needs and promoting Calgary Chinatown and our merchant businesses.

I am looking forward to serving on the BIA Board over the next couple of years and listening to my fellow business ratepayers and guiding the BIA towards serving and deliver great outcomes over the next two years.

Grace Su, Associate Candidate

I wish to continue serving on the Chinatown BIA Board at this pivotal time of the community trying to cope and recover from the pandemic, engaging in building the future with Tomorrow's Chinatown Cultural Plan and Local Area Plan projects and the Greenline LRT project.

The Calgary Chinatown businesses have been hit hard and suffered earlier than other communities since Dec 2019 because of the racial stigma of the COVID19 transmission. The Chinatown merchants have shown remarkable resilience and perseverance in overcoming challenges and rapid public health change orders. It is a challenging time for any business, let alone most small businesses in Chinatown. I am very proud of the Chinatown merchants for their hard work and tenacity to always look for a way to survive and serve the community. I am also proud of our CBIA administration team to switch gear to support the merchants with the right resources, digital promotion and marketing initiatives such as the 'Chinatown Welcomes You' and scavenger hunt campaigns.

I joined the Board in 2017 and have been the Board Chair since 2018. Together with the board directors, we have led the administration team to develop a 3-year strategic plan with seven target areas of focus for CBIA and made measurable progress on each front before the pandemic - held five major annual events, including the Canada Day Event, Stampede Breakfast, Chinatown Street Festival, CNY Gala Dinner and Ice Sculpture Festival. We improved the streetscape by installing flowerpots, street lanterns and lamppost banners; and doing a bi-weekly street cleaning in warmer months of the year to make sure Chinatown looks welcoming and clean. We also developed a Calgary Chinatown brand, website, and social media profiles to promote the Chinatown community and merchants. CBIA has also been advocating for Chinatown merchants and the community in all infrastructure planning and development projects.

I am an accomplished business executive and project manager that has led many multi-million projects and operations. My professional strengths are in sales and marketing, business planning and development, and operational excellence. My alliances and knowledge of Chinatown should allow me to add value to CBIA and the community, and I would be so honoured to continue to serve Chinatown again.

Lillian Pan, Associate Candidate

Chinatown is a unique community and needs to have a voice both through its ratepayers and its supporters. I'd like to contribute to the continuation of building the BIA's presence. In the past, I have provided advice to the Board on a number of matters. In addition, I have participated actively, together with other Board members, in the community activities of the BIA including the Street Festivals, Pancake Breakfast, and Canada Day celebrations. I help the BIA liaise with other communities, including other organizations which

I'm involved in such as the Federation of Asian Canadian Lawyers (Western), law firms, and various political groups at the City and the Province. Under the leadership of Grace Su, our Chair, we have built a larger presence for the BIA and I will be willing to continue to help build the BIA presence in our community and elsewhere.