



# THE ELECTORS' ACTION MOVEMENT & VANCOUVER

## VANCOUVER—A NEW SENSE OF DIRECTION

In 1968, many citizens felt that the City was going in the wrong direction. To change that direction, interested citizens from many walks of life and from all areas of the City formed TEAM. TEAM provided alternatives to the politics and policies of the past.

*Since 1972, TEAM has acted on its promises.*

- Directions have been changed. Plans for massive freeway construction that would have destroyed East End residential neighbourhoods, Chinatown and Gastown, and cut off the waterfront, were scrapped.
- Improvements to the public transportation system—to pedestrian amenities—and to the quality of environment are now top priorities.
- Preservation of our neighbourhoods now takes precedence over the past philosophy of growth at any cost. Reduced density and positive zoning controls have been developed for Downtown, the West End and the inner city.
- TEAM pushed for a programme of making the City safer. Consultation, co-operation and crime prevention are now recognized as effective ways of keeping the City safe.

BUT—the battle to make Vancouver a more human and livable city is not yet over. The voices of the past can still be heard. Once again aspirants for public office are advocating policies of old-style urban renewal, freeway construction and more growth. TEAM must continue to provide Vancouver's voters with options for the future and with a slate of candidates pledged to work together for the betterment of the City.

## TEAM'S COUNCIL HAS—

*Kept City financing under control—*

- by reducing our reliance on borrowing
- by establishing the Property Endowment Fund Board to manage city-owned lands as an asset for everyone's benefit
- by improving the City Hall's management structure
- by negotiating a fair share of any increased value caused by city actions
- achieved AA credit rating for the City

*Made the City safer—*

- by ensuring better protection for citizens through a modernized and enlarged police force (120 new members) and through team and community policing
- by passing anti-knife carrying and anti-begging by-laws
- by developing the 911 emergency telephone service

*Changed direction in the planning and development of the city*

- preserved Vancouver's important historic buildings
- created new downtown and neighbourhood amenities
- encouraged imaginative and innovative policies and projects
- upgraded housing stock with new fire, standards of maintenance and lodging house by-laws
- expedited senior citizen, handicapped and hostel accommodation
- encouraged local area planning programmes
- protected residential areas from disruptive changes
- encouraged access to and enjoyment of Burrard Inlet and Fraser River waterfronts
- streamlined development procedures
- co-operated with Greater Vancouver Regional District in long range planning for the city

*Provided open access to Council—*

- by holding evening council meetings
- by opening Committee meetings
- by creating the information centre at City Hall
- by publishing the Quarterly Review and Urban Reader

TEAM PARKS BOARD HAS—

*Enhanced Park and Recreation Services*

- built new ice rinks at Britannia, Connaught and Sunset
- built the Floral Hall at Van Dusen Gardens
- co-operated in the development of Britannia Community Services Centre and the West End Community Centre
- created new parks at False Creek, Nelson Park, Thunderbird Island, Wall Street, Champlain Heights and the Fraser River waterfront
- built Templeton and Lord Byng Pools

*Worked with Neighbourhood Groups*

- upgraded local parks and playgrounds (in George Park, Rupert Park and parks in Cedar Cottage)
- formed Community Advisory Committees to ensure wide use of recreation facilities (Kerrisdale Arena, Percy Norman Pool, Sunset Ice Rink)
- decentralized summer playground services
- saved Brock House for a recreation centre for senior citizens

*Planned for the Future*

- promoted recreation trails
- initiated a cycle path from English Bay to Jericho
- continued efforts to ensure that a major park will be established in the University Endowment Lands
- developed a city-wide tree planting programme

*Provided Better Service*

- updated financial procedures
- created a Planning Division
- decentralized various administrative functions
- appointed area managers

TEAM SCHOOL BOARD HAS

*Made the Vancouver School system more responsive by—*

- holding school board meetings in local schools
- having public question periods at all regular Board meetings
- sponsoring a Parent Assembly for the city as a whole
- initiating Parent Consultative Committees in each school to foster local interest and involvement

*Coped with the effects of social change by—*

- introducing school-community programmes which have had considerable success in dealing with local vandalism in Killarney and Gladstone areas
- providing four native Indian Home-School co-ordinators to help school staff and native Indian families
- providing space for Mothers and Tots English classes staffed by Vancouver City College
- utilizing volunteers to work in ESL (English as a second language) programmes

- creating learning assistance centres
- by developing a comprehensive English language programme for all grades (pilot projects in the coming school year)
- upgrading school facilities and playgrounds

*Made the system more flexible by—*

- initiating 15 special projects offering alternative means of education: University Hill Secondary, Prince of Wales Mini School, Ideal School, City School, Operation Step Up, L'Ecole Bilangue, Quest Programme, Oakridge School for Trainable Mentally Retarded, Classes for Hard of Hearing and Autistic Children
- appointing five assistant superintendents to work from local offices in Trafalgar, Rhodes, Strathcona, Renfrew and Oppenheimer Schools so that they can be in daily contact with the schools they supervise

TEAM'S VANCOUVER

*Parks Preserved and Created*

- saved Langara golf course
- saved the entrance to Stanley Park
- saved Jericho lands for park and recreational purposes
- created Bowmac park, Wall Street park, Champlain Heights park, Fraser River park

*False Creek*

- created a new Community
- transformed False Creek from a slum to a civic asset

*Local Area Planning Programmes*

Cedar Cottage, Champlain Heights, Downtown Eastside, Fairview, Grandview-Woodlands, Kitsilano, Strathcona and West End

*Historic Preservation*

- saved Orpheum Theatre for a new and exciting concert hall
- enhanced Gastown
- completed Strathcona rehabilitation
- saved Christ Church Cathedral and designated 33 other important buildings as historic structures

*A New Face*

- created Granville Mall
- completed Gastown, Broadway, Kerrisdale and West End Beautification

*Housing*

- 4th and Wallace senior citizen housing project
- new communities in False Creek and Champlain Heights
- completed Oppenheimer Lodge; Antoinette and Cordova Place started
- completed major West End seniors project

*Neighbourhood and Community*

- completed Britannia Community Services complex
- opened West End Community Centre
- built ice rinks at Sunset and Connaught Park



Alderman Michael Harcourt, Alderman Art Cowie, Mayor Art Phillips and Alderman Jack Volrich. (Our other Alderman, Fritz Bowers, has been appointed Associate Dean of Engineering at UBC and unfortunately cannot again be a candidate. Best of luck, Fritz.)

Mayor Art Phillips meeting with TEAM Executive and Directors.

Parks Board Commissioners Theo DuMoulin and Bill Gibson, Chairman May Brown, Commissioners Bowie Keefer and Evelyn Atkinson.



School Board Chairman Katherine Mirhady, Trustees Elliott Gose, David Pratt, Margaret Andrew, Jack Yee, and Pam Glass.



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# TALK TO TEAM

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Ald. Art Cowie	873-7242
Ald. Michael Harcourt	873-7245
Ald. Jack Volrich	873-7248

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Chairman Katherine Mirhady	731-1131
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Pam Glass	731-1131
Elliott Gose	731-1131
David Pratt	731-1131
Jack Yee	731-1131

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Please send me particulars about membership. I am interested in the following areas (mark with a ✓) and would like any available statements or policy papers and information about forthcoming meetings.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Civic Development & Environment | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance & Administration        | <input type="checkbox"/> Civic Order    |

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