



The Village at Fisher's Landing

Neighborhood Association Newsletter

VFLNA Annual Meeting 2024

Please join us for this meeting:

Date: Wednesday, November 13, 2024

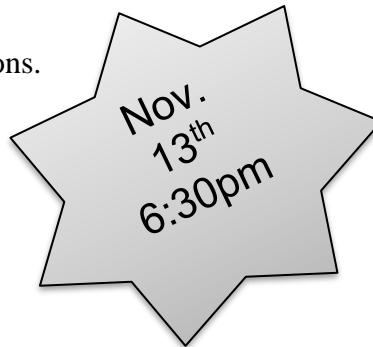
When: 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Where: Fisher's Landing Elementary School,
Multi-Purpose Room

Address: 3800 SE Hiddenbrook Drive, Vancouver

Agenda

- Welcome new neighbors - Introductions.
- Financial summary
- Landscaping improvements
- CC&R discussion
- Open Board Opportunities



President's Message

Dear Neighbors,

As we enjoy this fall in the Village at Fisher's Landing, I want to invite you to attend our annual meeting. This time it is conveniently located in the neighborhood elementary school. This is a great opportunity to meet your civic minded neighbors and to share and discuss common concerns and interests.

Annual Contribution Request

Your annual contributions are vital for maintaining our sidewalks, brick walls, and entrances. For over 25 years, resident contributions have sustained VFLNA's efforts. With the growing needs in our neighborhood, your support is more crucial than ever. Thank you for helping us keep the Village of Fisher's Landing a thriving, safe, and beautiful place to live. Please consider making this contribution today to help keep our neighborhood looking great and feeling like home.

Thank You, Volunteers

A huge thank you to all our volunteers for your dedication. Special thanks to Cindy Finch for leading the effort for a successful grant application to the City for a Little Free Library.

Warm regards,

Atul Mathur, President, VFLNA

VFLNA: Making a Difference Where It Matters

Support Your Neighborhood— Make a Contribution!

Each year, we ask households in the Village of Fisher's Landing and Hamlet neighborhoods to contribute to our efforts in safety, beautification, community events, and coordination with the City of Vancouver. Your support directly funds these initiatives, helping us maintain the quality of life in our community.

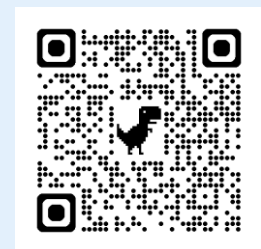
Suggested Donation:

\$90 per household. Every dollar goes toward the projects that make a difference in your neighborhood, supporting our dedicated volunteers who work tirelessly on your behalf.

Flexible Options:

- We accept secure online donations through PayPal to protect your privacy.
- Auto-renewal is available for convenient, worry-free support.

Scan the QR code to make a contribution using PayPal



Or visit

<https://www.vflna.com/contributions.html>

Prefer to send a check? Yes, you can!

Mail it to: VFLNA
19215 SE 34th St., #106

Box 241

Camas, WA 98607

What is a Neighborhood Association

What is VFLNA?

The Village at Fisher's Landing Neighborhood Association (VFLNA) is a voluntary organization of residents who work together to improve and maintain the quality of life in its neighborhood.

Being a recognized entity by the City of Vancouver gives us a voice and lets us advocate regarding issues within the city that impact our neighborhood.

Membership is open to all property owners, and renters in the neighborhood. Click <https://www.vflna.com/about.html> to learn about all the ways the Board has supported the neighborhood.



The Benefits of VFLNA

- Residents are made aware of planning, transportation or other city issues that may affect the neighborhood.
- Having a voice with city officials.
- Assistance with our neighborhood cleanup (that we've called Dump Day.)
- Neighborhood Communications among residents both electronic & paper mailings for our Annual Meeting.

The Benefits of the CC&Rs to the Village

Covenants, conditions and restrictions were formed when the Village was established back in 1993. Through observance of our CC&Rs the beauty of our neighborhood has been maintained, helping us keep the property values of our homes high.

It is the Village's expectation that all residents understand and follow the CC&Rs.

View the CC&Rs at: <https://www.vflna.com/ccrs>

Is VFLNA an HOA? - a note by Carl Trinacty, past President VFLNA

The Village at Fisher's Landing is one of seventy two recognized neighborhood associations within the City of Vancouver. Some may refer to us as an HOA (Home Owner's Association) and that we are **not**. To reiterate, we are not a Home Owner's Association.

As a neighborhood association (NA) we are a group of residents or property owners who advocate for and organize activities within the neighborhood. We are volunteers some of whom are elected to the board of directors who organize our activities along with members at large. Along the way since 1986 we have asked for voluntary contributions to assist with landscape management (regular cleanup and pressure washing as needed) along the 164th Street and 34th Way plus various activities that are of benefit to our residents. Though we have CC&Rs to maintain property value, our association relies on **civic spirit**, unlike many HOAs with mandatory dues, strict rules, and sometimes paid management. Learn the difference between NA and HOA online or at the [City of Vancouver website](#).



Little Free Library: Bringing Books Closer to Home

This VFLNA initiative was launched in March this year. You may recall reading about it in the Winter and Summer newsletters. We're excited to announce that the VFLNA has received a **\$500 Vancouver city grant** to fund our neighborhood's very first Little Free Library! With our nearest public library over four miles away, this library will bring books—and the joy of reading—much closer for residents of all ages.

Thanks to the generosity of our neighbor, **Libby Clow**, who has offered a spot on her property, we also have a great location for the library on SE 34th way. The project will involve local youth groups, who will build the structure using an eco-friendly kit made of recycled composite lumber, which requires no painting.

Next step is for the property owner for the necessary permit to install the library on the parking strip. In addition to books, this Little Free Library will feature a weatherproof brochure holder stocked with VFLNA newsletters and useful City materials. We'll soon host a **book drive** to gather the initial collection for the library. To keep things running smoothly, the role of Library Steward will rotate among residents. If you'd like to get involved, join us at the VFLNA Annual Meeting.

The Little Free Library Initiative

Bringing Books to Our Doorstep:

Did you know our nearest public library is over four miles away? Imagine having a Little Free Library right in our neighborhood, making it easier for everyone to grab a book anytime!

What's a Little Free Library?:

It's a small, community-led book exchange that's part of a global initiative to inspire readers and build community. Anyone can take a book or leave a book, and it's all based on trust and sharing.

Little Free Library is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to be a catalyst to build community, inspire readers, and expand book access to all. It provides guidelines and plans for starting a Little Free Library. We encourage you to browse the website (littlefreelibrary.org)

Why It Matters for Us:

With hundreds of homes in our community, think of the endless possibilities for sharing stories, knowledge, and even neighborhood news through a Little Free Library.

Be a Part of Something Big:

This is more than just books; it's about strengthening our community ties and creating a shared space for everyone to enjoy.

Could You Help out The Stewards?:

Would you, as a family, be interested in helping out with this project? Whether it's donating books, helping with setup, or even being a steward, there's a role for everyone. Please reach out to the board: -

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Are you aware of ...

Our Vancouver: Comprehensive Plan 2045. At the current time, the City is finalizing the land use possibilities, as part of an updated plan -- then the Environmental Impact will be studied. Visit <https://www.beheardvancouver.org/plan2045>
Questions: email at OurVancouver2045@cityofvancouver.us

VIC master plan: Within walking distance of our neighborhood, The VIC has revised their Mixed Use Master Plan. The city is in the process of reviewing this revision, and associated Development Agreement for another 179 acres **east** of 192nd Avenue. <https://www.cityofvancouver.us/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/VIC-PC-Hearing-Presentation-February-2024.pdf>

Vista Del Rio: property on sale: Do you want to be involved in helping the VFLNA to stay aware of pending changes coming to the nearby Vista Del Rio mobile home park? Please attend the annual meeting to discuss and the above issues..

Commute Trip Reduction: A Washington State law stating an employer must make a good-faith effort to develop and implement programs to reduce the number of drive-alone trips to and from the worksite.

Get There Vancouver: A City program piloting travel information about the Green Vine and Red Vine bus routes, Fourth Plain and Mill Plain Program Areas? -- helping people find a carpool match, plan their transit or biking trip, and earn rewards along the way. Visit: <https://getthereswwashington.org/>
Contact TravelOptionsProgram@cityofvancouver.us

Please get involved with VFLNA

The Board needs volunteers to help with several upcoming projects — some require only an hour or two of your time. Likely, you have some great ideas to share. There are so many opportunities to support your neighborhood and keep it “feeling like home”. Please contact a member of the Board, or write a message - <https://www.vflna.com/contact-us.html>

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Keep Our Neighborhood "Feeling Like Home"

Did You Know?

- **242 Homes:** Our community consists of the Village of Fishers Landing and The Hamlet.
- **Beautiful Entrances:** Brick entrances lead to miles of tree-lined streets and sidewalks.

The Heart of Our Community

- **Intangible Values:** Beyond the physical, it's our shared values, annual traditions, and sense of belonging that make our neighborhood special.
- **VFLNA's Role:** Your donations help maintain the 164th and 34th corridor sidewalks and brick walls, ensuring they're free of debris and litter.

Current Needs

- **Updated Plantings:** Following sidewalk ADA updates, the entrances need new plantings.
- **Routine Costs:** Besides regular sidewalk cleanups, contributions cover liability insurance and support events like the VFLNA yard sale.

Get Involved!

- **Volunteer:** The Board needs your help with upcoming projects. Many tasks require just an hour or two.
- **Donate:** Support VFLNA with your annual financial contribution and your time.