

HORNBY ISLAND FIRE HALL PROJECT PRELIMINARY DESIGN OPEN HOUSE

July 20-21, 2014

Simcic & Uhrich Architects (SUA) Present Preliminary Design of Hornby Island Fire Hall

On July 20-21st the community of Hornby Island will have the opportunity to review the preliminary design of the fire hall and provide comments and feedback to the SUA team and/or the Preconstruction Coordinator Tor Nawrot.

The design process has been ongoing since Spring with functionality and cost being the major criteria for the working group. The design group consists of the SUA team and the Hornby Island Fire Department Fire Hall Design Committee, which is comprised of the senior members of the fire department. Also, the feedback from last summer's community consultation meetings were reviewed by the design group. Here are some of the key design criteria that the fire hall design is based on:

Fire Hall Preliminary Design Criteria:

- Accommodate the operational and training requirements of a team of 25 firefighters
- Simple and efficient structural systems and design layout to reduce construction costs
- Designed to post-disaster standard so that fire hall remains functioning after significant seismic event
- Targeting LEED Silver standards with an emphasis on reduced energy costs and water consumption
- Values and reflects the input of the residents of Hornby Island
- Durable cladding systems to reduce building maintenance and resist fire spread
- Flexible and durable design to achieve minimum
 50 year building lifespan
- 4 fire truck apparatus bays and 1 smaller ambulance bay
- Provision for future expansion

Fire Hall Project Process:

After the community has reviewed and provided comments on the preliminary design and cost estimate on the July 20-21st weekend, the SUA team and HIFR design committee will review the feedback and proceed with the next stage of the design process.

Over the summer the SUA team will continue their meetings with the HIFR design committee and their team of consultants to get the project to a more complete drawing stage and therefore to a more accurate costing level.

We expect a "Community Update" from the SUA team in September to get the updated design and a more accurate costing level of the project. Also at this time, the CVRD will provide the corresponding tax rate of the Fire Hall Project based on the cost estimates.

By the Class "B" estimate stage in the process (latter part of September), it is planned that the project and public consultations will have progressed to a point where the community residents have adequate knowledge of the project and therefore the Select Committee may recommend to the CVRD board that the Fire Hall Project seek electoral assent through a referendum on November 15, 2014

Spread the word... we hope to see you and your friends at the Open House at New Horizons on July 20 and 21st.

Preliminary Design OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, July 20th - 2:00-5:30 pm Monday, July 21st - 7:00-9:30 pm

AT NEW HORIZONS

Please attend to review and provide feedback on the preliminary design and cost estimate of the proposed new fire hall. Stay informed through our website located at http://www.comoxvalleyrd.ca/hornbyislandfirehall

Join our email list to follow the ongoing process. Contact Tor Nawrot at tor@hifd.org or 250-335-2214

