

C17 - Climate Change and Compact Communities: Innovation, Integration and Partnerships

Presentation # 1 title: Fee-Simple Rowhouse Demonstration Project

Presenter:

Art Cowie - Eikos Planning Inc.

Abstract

I have approval for the first Fee-Simple Rowhouse project in Vancouver and Council has designated it a demonstration. I have the zoning, and development permit and expect to have the building permit in 2 or 3 weeks by the end of July 2008. There are three rowhouses each with a suite over a double garage off a lane. The construction should be complete by April 2009 so photos of the built project will form part of the presentation. One of the rowhouses will be owned by my wife and myself. I have started a book about the project and I have an editor, Sheila Martineau, helping me stick to a schedule. The book should be nearly complete ready for printing by the conference so I will have lots of material for the presentation.

Speaker Biography

Art Cowie assists a number of professional firms and private and government clients with planning advice and studies pertaining to local, regional and provincial assignments. He has developed a career as a community planner and in addition has experience in public service where he is known for his understanding and guidance on both private and public planning issues. He has worked on a wide range of land use and urban design assignments in over 40 British Columbia municipalities. He is currently working on a number of innovative community and housing projects.

Presentation # 2 title: Climate Change and Compact Communities: Innovation, Integration and Partnerships

Presenter:

Laura Tate - University of British Columbia / BC Ministry of Community Development

Speaker Abstract

Innovative approaches, integration of thinking and action combined with strategic partnerships are a necessary combination for local governments addressing climate change and creating sustainable communities. Find out more about approaches, tools, and programs the Ministry of Community Development is delivering to encourage innovation in planning. In addition, you will learn about as one experiment in innovation and partnership, the first fee-simple rowhouse project in Vancouver.

Speaker Biography

Laura E. Tate is a PhD candidate at the UBC School of Community and Regional Planning, and is hoping to present the results of her doctoral dissertation research at this conference. She holds a Master of Arts degree in Community and Regional Planning from UBC, and a Bachelor of Arts degree from McGill University. She is a firm believer in applied research, and currently employed by the British Columbia Ministry of Community Development as a Manager of Growth Strategies, where she addresses growth management issues on a daily basis. Laura also spent more than a decade working as an urban planner at several suburban municipalities in Metro Vancouver.