



**THE VIEW**

**SPRING, 2013**

# Varsity View Community Association

Website:  
[vvcasaskatoon.com](http://vvcasaskatoon.com)

## **Infill Development & Urban Planning**

The City of Saskatoon is developing a Neighbourhood Infill Strategy, concerning Infill within built-up areas of the City. This is of particular concern to VVCA, especially given the growth of the University's College Quarter development, arguably the City's largest infill experiment. After an initial Public Workshop in December, 2012, the City is currently seeking input on recommendations for a draft strategy, addressing the following:

- development standards and architectural guidelines
- site design – including consideration for garage/garden suites
- building design
- streetscape and landscape design

It has scheduled a **Community Conversation**, as follows:

**Thursday, March 14, 2013**  
**Delta Bessborough – Battleford Ballroom**  
**7:00 pm to 9:30 pm**  
**(Presentation 7:15- 8:00pm)**

We encourage participation. If you are unable to go to the discussion, please review the materials, which will be available after the meeting on the City's website [Saskatoon.ca](http://Saskatoon.ca), and feel free to submit comments online.

As part of VVCA's continued involvement in infill and visionary development, it is supporting a speaking event in partnership with the Regional and Urban Planning (RUP) program of the College of Geography and Planning at the University of Saskatchewan and like-minded organizations. Mr. Larry Beasley of Vancouver has accepted an invitation from the RUP to be Planner in Residence for 2013. He has extensive experience with the City of Vancouver and as a planning consultant working around the world. A number of events are scheduled for the week of March 18 to 22 or 23, 2012. These events are detailed on the following page, and will include a public lecture, as follows:

**Wednesday, March 20, 2013**  
**Roxy Theatre**  
**7:00 pm**

Mr. Beasley will speak from a Canadian context, with examples and experiences from Canada. For further details contact either the College of Geography and Planning at the University of Saskatchewan or James Perkins at [Nic.james@sasktel.net](mailto:Nic.james@sasktel.net).

## **NOTICE OF VVCA AGM**

**Wednesday, April 17,  
2013**  
**Brunskill School**  
**7 pm**



**The Varsity View Cooperative Preschool**, located in Brunskill School, offers a fun and caring teacher, a fantastic facility and a stimulating curriculum. It is now accepting registrations for the 2013-2014 school year. Programs are filling up fast, but some openings are still available. Children must be fully potty trained and 3 years or 4 years old. For more information, email [vvcpreistrar@gmail.com](mailto:vvcpreistrar@gmail.com) or visit the website at [www.vvcp.ca](http://www.vvcp.ca)

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### **URBAN PLANNING EVENTS**

The Regional and Urban Planning (RUP) program of the College of Geography and Planning at the University of Saskatchewan has scheduled an exciting series of urban planning events for the week of **March 18 to 22, 2013**

The RUP has a Planner in Residence program. In 2011 New York City planner Cynthia Nikitin was the first Planner in Residence. The second Planner in Residence program will run from **March 18 to 22, 2013**. Mr Larry Beasley of Vancouver has accepted an offer to be PiR for 2013. Mr. Beasley is former co-Director of Planning for Vancouver and is credited for the "Vancouverism" model of urban planning. He is now a planning consultant working in all parts of the world, including Moscow and Dubai. During the week of March 18, 2013, Mr Beasley will provide guest lectures in Geography and Planning at the University of Saskatchewan, give a talk at City Hall, meet with RUP students, critique student design and capstone projects, offer an evening public talk at the Roxy Theatre (**March 20, 2013 at 7pm**), and end the week as Key-note Speaker to Curio-City, the first ever RUP student-led planning conference, on **March 22/23, 2013** at the University of Saskatchewan. It will be a fabulous and busy week for planning in Saskatoon.

Please contact the Department of Geography and Planning at the University of Saskatchewan for further details about various events.

### **ANNUAL VVCA SOCIAL/ FUNDRAISING EVENT**

Saturday, May 4, 2013  
Louis' Pub at the U of S

Steak/Chicken/Vegetarian Meal and Dessert  
Doors open at 6 pm  
Live Band: In the Queue  
First Set at 8 pm  
\$25 per person for Dinner and Entertainment

Tickets available through an executive member or by sending a request to  
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