

anmore south a vision takes shape.

Over the past seven years, the Anmore community has been engaged in an ongoing discussion to explore the potential of the Anmore South lands.

To set the stage for the next phase of this consultative process, icona is sharing the initial insights and ideas contributed by Anmore residents and inviting you to discover how your neighbours envision the community's future.

a true collaboration.

The Anmore community has been part of the conversation about the Anmore South lands since 2014.

More recently, icona's engagement process which includes neighbourhood meetings, one on one discussions, formal co-design workshops and showcase events, has directly engaged more than 500 Anmore residents, making this one of the most comprehensive community outreach initiatives on record.

To date, we have connected with more than 31% of Anmore residents—an unprecedented level of participation and input. And the collaboration has only just begun.

This summer, we intensified our engagement efforts to ensure that every Anmore resident had multiple opportunities to contribute in ways that were convenient and meaningful to them.

These outreach activities included:

- Q&A sessions to gather input from specific neighbourhoods and answer questions about the consultation process and timelines.
- A series of six interactive co-design workshops in which residents worked with a professional community consultation artist to visualize the possibilities for Anmore South in a series of sketches. Led by the award-winning Co-Design Group.
- A community vision showcase at Anmore Elementary school in which residents viewed the co-designs created by their neighbours and provided additional ideas and feedback. The showcase attracted and collected input from 150+ attendees.
- Stakeholder engagements in which the priorities of special interest groups were discussed and integrated.

This document summarizes the input collected during these most recent outreach activities and brings the vision for Anmore South into clearer focus.

As you will see, while the conversation with residents has evolved and deepened over the years, the fundamental vision of a complete community in nature remains intact. Anmore residents want to live, work and play in a place that reflects their values and respects everything that is unique about life in this special place. It is this vision that icona is committed to honouring as we move one step closer to realizing it.

Anmore South themes.

After months of consultation, these themes emerged as the most important and valued aspects of community living for Anmore residents.

NATURE

Residents want to live in nature. They envision a place where trees outnumber homes and activities such as birdwatching and stargazing are made possible with wooden benches and viewing platforms. They also want to protect diverse fauna with dedicated wildlife corridors and bee-friendly environments.

WELLNESS

Anmore residents want to live in a place where a network of trails and boardwalks bring them closer to nature. They envision indoor and outdoor fitness facilities and social spaces that encourage healthy recreation and wellness. Interpretive signs that tell the history of Anmore and picnic tables for dining and relaxing were also high on the list.

FAMILY

Residents want to see more family-friendly amenities, such as modern playgrounds, a spray park and an on-site daycare that encourage young children to socialize and enjoy physical activity. They also want to see community activities that engage and stimulate teens.

ACCESSIBILITY

Accessibility, including safe, inviting walking paths and easy access to neighbourhood shops, recreation and a shuttle service to rapid transit were identified as a priority. Anmore residents also expressed a need for bus shelters, discreet washrooms and paths to accommodate scooters, e-bikes, walkers and wheelchairs.



ART, CULTURE & GARDEN

Residents envision a place enlivened by the arts, culture, gardens and places to socialize and exchange ideas. They suggested an artist-in-residence program, public art, community and rooftop gardens, co-working spaces and an outdoor amphitheatre for the performing arts.

HOUSING DIVERSITY

Anmore recognizes the need for more balanced diversity of housing that supports community members at every life stage, from young adulthood to aging in place. They want to see tasteful architecture that blends into the forest landscape and offers housing diversity, including apartments, townhomes and one-level living.

GATHERING SPACES

Residents would like more opportunities to socialize and interact with their community in public gathering spaces. The wish-list includes a library and recreation centre, farmers' market, village square and a pedestrianized corridor that encourages mingling.

SUSTAINABILITY

Anmore residents want to touch the earth lightly and support environmentally friendly lifestyles. Buildings made from quality natural and sustainable materials, permeable pathways, low lighting to preserve stargazing, an electric vehicle infrastructure, water, wastewater and stormwater infrastructure top the list.

RETAIL

Residents see a need for more local retail and service venues that can be conveniently accessed, such as a neighbourhood grocery, café, pub, wine bar, bakery and bike rentals. They would also like to have access to healthcare options nearby, including a doctor's and dentist's office.

PETS

Residents want to know that they can enjoy time with their pets in welcoming spaces, including off-leash parks and trails, a dedicated dog playground and bylaws that allow pets in rentals and strata complexes.



a community exists to uplift its members and create a unique sense of place and belonging.

As a development company with a mission to transform communities and create places that matter, icona Properties is working collaboratively with the community to ensure that the needs and priorities of Anmore residents are reflected in the plans for the Anmore South lands.

After a process of community discussion, exploration, brainstorming, visualization and feedback over the course of several months, a tangible vision has begun to take shape.

The consultative process revealed 10 themes that emerged most strongly across the greatest number of participants. Together, these themes tell a story—a story of a complete community in nature.

Anmore residents want to live in an environment in which they are surrounded by trees and parklands, and they want to ensure that the natural environment is preserved for future generations. They want to experience the outdoors fully through trails and recreational spaces. They also want retail options closer to home, such as a neighbourhood cafe and a local pub, and opportunities to come together with their neighbours at farmers' markets and other social events.

They also envision a more inclusive community that supports and welcomes families and people of all ages, from young children to older residents, and that ensures people of all abilities can access and enjoy everything Anmore South has to offer. And it's important to them that their pets are fully integrated into their lifestyles.

By incorporating these themes in future plans for Anmore South, icona can ensure that they reflect the needs and priorities of all residents and protect the extraordinary nature of this unique and vital place.

next steps.

With a clear vision of the future that Anmore residents want to see, icona's team of experts are now using this input to develop a detailed plan that will be shared with the community in the near future.

In the meantime, we will continue to engage residents and gather feedback. To stay updated on our progress and new opportunities to participate, please sign up at:

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