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Smart Growth on Ground looking for charrette participants

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Written by Citizen staff
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Smart Growth on the Ground is looking for people to fill five roles in a "charrette" focused on the future of downtown Prince George.

Specifically, SGOG needs a downtown resident, a resident at large who lives outside the downtown, a local food representative, a cycling representative and a green space representative.

A charrette typically involves intense and possibly multi-day meetings, involving municipal officials, developers, and residents working to create land use, transportation, urban design, and other design plans.

Those interested are asked to prepare a 300-word statement describing why you want to participate and what you can contribute to the team and e-mail it to amanda@smartgrowth.bc.ca prior to March 4.

Those interested in filling the role of downtown resident or green-space representative will have to attend the March 4 workshop, and those who want to be the resident at large, local food representative, or cycling representative must attend the March 5 workshop.

At the workshops, they must read their statements to the attendees. Both workshops run from 6 to 9:30 p.m. at the Ramada hotel, 444 George Street.

They must have also attended prior SGOG events, and be prepared to attend all charrette dates -- May 12 to 15, including three evenings during the week of May 11 to 15. In addition to working days, the charrette typically has a team-building event prior to starting, a mid-course review open to the public, and a final presentation to the public.

A commitment to collaboration and outside-the-box thinking are also assets. SGOG is described as a "collaborative visioning exercise" at creating a 25-year vision for the future of downtown Prince George based on "smart growth" principles and guided by extensive community consultation.

For more information, visit www.sgog.bc.ca.

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i will go to this smart growth workshop and will participate. I am involved in a lot of these issues already & care very much about all of them; however, this city is not going to move forward in line with smart growth principles at all if the air is not improved. It is a HUGE impediment to our economic and social growth and diversification.
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