Love our cities

爱我们的城市

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Introduction

There is an urgent need to call for action by ordinary citizens. In doing so, citizens must know about the cities they live in and understand how their behaviour can change their cities.

This presentation seeks to trace the historical evolution of cities, suggest the way forward with citizens action followed by a review of how our city planning can change. It begins with a Family Oriented City as a sustainable city model.
Cairo
Contrast of power & poverty
权力和穷困的不平衡
City planning has not been about the people. It is often about the power that rules the people.
3 types of Cities

History
Major Changes
Problem of City
High Density
Problem of City
Lack of amenities
Problem of City
Nature disappears
According to the city, it is a strategy for staying on the leading edge of urban sustainability through the collective efforts of “Council, residents, businesses, other organisations, and all levels of government.”

Vancouver’s vision is to create opportunities today while building:
A strong local economy
Vibrant and inclusive neighbourhood
Internationally recognised city that meets the needs of generations to come
Find Greenest City projects on a map

Green projects are thriving across Vancouver.
The City of Vancouver, City Studio students, Greenest City Fund grant recipients, and business and institutional partners are collaborating to accomplish Greenest City 2020 targets.

Know of another great Greenest City project? Tell us about it

Is there an existing green project in your neighbourhood that should go on the map? Let us know in the form below.

We welcome suggestions for projects that:
- Are already being implemented
- Are within Vancouver city limits

"My contributions have come largely as a volunteer board member focusing on active and healthy transportation for the Vancouver Public Space Network, thinking, writing and speaking about the role of public spaces in movement and accessing everyday destinations and services, near and far.

What's surprised me is how deeply I've also fallen in love with that act of creating places that reflect the stories of what we have in common as Vancouverites, as well as our hopes for what we want to be able to tell about building a sustainable city. How present we are able to be while we're moving through the city, happens to be just as much at the heart of that story, as just about anything else." - Karen Fung
12 ingredients of CITY we love

1. Family Oriented City
2. Less-Car Society
3. Garden City
4. Interactive Society
5. Innovation City
6. Shopping City
7. Sports & Healthy City
8. Edible City
9. Smart Device City
10. City of Safety & Happiness
11. City of Hope & Honour
12. City of Love

Source: Tai Lee Siang
“City We Love”
Family Oriented City

以家庭为主的城市
Family Oriented City

I have constantly seen cities planned based on economic and land-use parameter but not one based on family - the basic nucleus of societies.

If a city is planned with family in mind, what kind of city can it be? I think it is a powerful idea and it will be society stronger and city more sustainable.
Industrial Revolution

Due to pollution and safety, family are separated.
Keeping family together

保持家庭的和睦
City
Living Room
城市的大厅
Family Oriented City

If we were to design our cities to be family oriented, people will spend up to 2/3 time or their lives at home. This underlines the importance of the environment quality of homes.

While aesthetic quality if subjective, air quality is not. People need clean and comfortable air at home.
Mobility
to hunt

快速和打猎
Speed & Control
The reality is that we are stuck in traffic jam.
London has a great transportation network where public transport is available at every 500M interval. Multi-modal transportation allows greater reach and penetration in city fabric.
There is probably a rail line 1-2 km from any one spot.
Amsterdam Tram system is safe and environmental friendly.
Today's Car-centric City

Transform existing cities

What will happen to our cities if we only allow public transport?

Today's cities are planned with car traffic in mind.
Tomorrow's Car-Less City

Land for road is returned to people and public transport reduces city energy consumption.

Reduce TRANSPORTATION space to 5%

Tomorrow's Car-Less City

Take back road space and use tram for short distance travel.
Less Cars

Society

少车社会

- Subway
- Tram
- 5-6 km
- Central Park
- Iconic Space
- 5-6 km