



Ms. Susanne Rautio  
359 Richmond Avenue  
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August 16, 2019

Dear Ms. Rautio,

Thanks very much for your letter and for taking the time to share with mayor and council the work you are doing in your neighbourhood.

Council does not currently have a process for the recognition of new neighbourhood associations or new CALUCs. However, we do have a 2020 Action in the Strategic Plan to review the CALUC process. In order to achieve our ambitious Strategic Plan in this four-year term, we need to undertake the actions in it in the years in which they have been designated to be undertaken. During the review of the CALUC process in 2020 would be the best time for us to consider the future of CALUCs generally and to create a process for adding or dissolving CALUCs as needed.

As for the mapping work you are doing with the UVIC Geography Department Collaboratory, this sounds very interesting. There are two options for you to apply for the \$4000 to complete this work. One is through a Strategic Plan Grant and the other is through a My Great Neighbourhood Grant. Any non-profits are available to apply for these grants, not only neighbourhood associations. You can find more information about the City's grant program at [www.victoria.ca/grants](http://www.victoria.ca/grants).

Sincerely,

Lisa Helps  
Victoria Mayor