

Ryan Street Greenway

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Asquith Street (neighbours)



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Ryan Hill (threatened)



Road Allowance



Ryan Hill

Standard Road Allowance

Extra Wide Road Allowance

Greenway for People



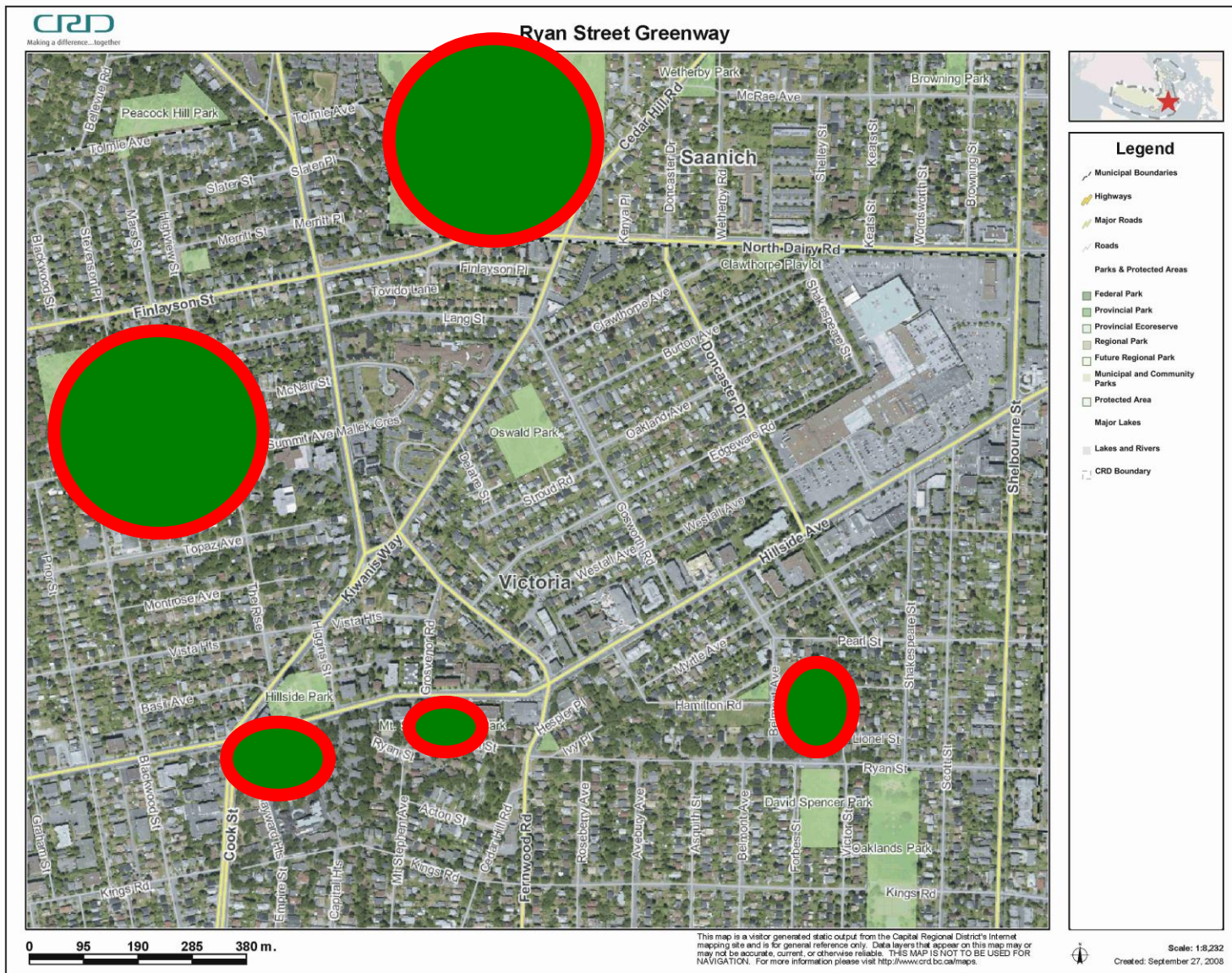
Hillside
Mall

School

Parks

Residents

Significant Garry Oaks



Corridors for Flora/Fauna



Ryan Street Greenway (important corridor link)



Ryan Street (Early 2007)



- Not a pleasant place to walk
- Dust problem in summer
- Rocks and gravel thrown up by cars
- Cars race through open area

Ryan Street (Early 2007)

- No definition for use of space



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- No definition for use of space
- This means cars are king!

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- No definition for use of space
- This means cars are king!
- Cars too close to large Garry Oaks
- Confusion

Ryan Street (Early 2007)



- Hard packed gravel
- Poor drainage
- No plants can grow, other than large Garry Oaks
- Eye sore, barren

Ryan Street (Early 2007)



- City of Victoria property double wide
- Patches of extra pavement

Ryan Street Greenway First Phase (June 2007)

- First City of Victoria Greenway grant
- Introduce vehicle access definition for cars in front of hall
- Split rail fence to move cars back from Garry Oaks
- Provide pedestrian access from cars to hall

Ryan Street Greenway (June 2007)



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- First fence completed June 2007
- Attempt to pull cars back from Garry Oaks
- Parking issues

Ryan Street Greenway (June 2007)



- Some cars did pull back from the trees

Ryan Street Greenway (June 2007)



- But other cars continued to park next to trees

Ryan Street Greenway (June 2007)



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Phase 2 – Prepare Soil (Nov 2007)

- Remove old asphalt and compacted gravel
- Add soil and mulch
- Define vehicle access and parking via split rail fences and berms
- Chip Trail for walking

Ryan Street Greenway (Nov 2007)



- Plans developed
- Signoff for construction

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Ryan Street Greenway (Early 2008)



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Phase 3 – Planting (Early 2008)

- Native Plants
 - Re-establishes historical selection
 - Low maintenance
 - Low watering requirements
 - Educational component
- Open; not dense thickets
- Variety of plants

Ryan Street Greenway (Early 2008)



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Ryan Street Greenway (Summer 2008)



Ryan Street Greenway (Aug/Sept 2008)



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Ryan Street Greenway (Education & Communications)

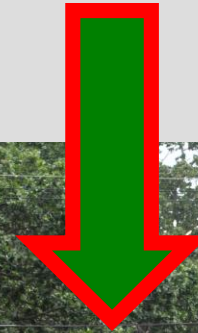
- On-site talking and showcasing
- Link with plant & Garry Oak groups
- Website: www.blockcommunities.com
- Sign and banner projects, flyer
- Part of NevPan and eco-system corridors

Ryan Street Greenway (Before & Now) Vehicles



Before

Now



Ryan Street Greenway (Before & Now)

People

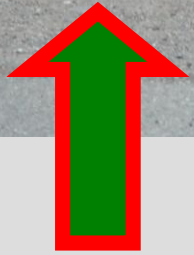


Before

Now

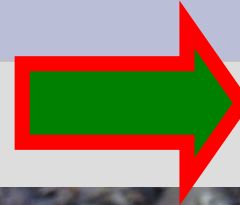


Ryan Street Greenway (Before & Now) Flora and Fauna



Before

Now



Suggestions

- Meet your neighbours
- Listen and involve community
- Create a vision plan that fits
- Work with and help establishment
- Use different communication tools

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Thank you.

Questions?

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