

## **LUCAS VAN MEER-MASS**

### Community Planner

Lucas is a Community Planner at CitySpaces with seven years of experience in community planning and development, research, community engagement and master planning. Lucas has worked collaboratively with various teams of people with low-income to develop affordable housing and community master plans and has been instrumental in successfully developing projects ranging in scale from community amenity plans to downtown master plans. He has worked on the development of inclusionary zoning legislation and regulation, zoning and official plan amendments, community benefit

agreements, and development reviews. He was responsible for a 2016 downtown Master Plan for Fredericton, NB that was awarded a Canadian Institute of Planners Award for City and Regional Planning and has worked in communities large and small across Canada. Lucas is currently engaged in Housing Needs Assessments in the Cariboo and Kootenay Regions, an affordable housing strategy in the Fraser Valley, and a best practices guide for the BCNPHA.

For this project, Lucas will be the primary project contact and manager of the project, primarily responsible for public engagement, reporting, and analysis.



JADA BASI, RPP, MCIP

# Principal

Jada has 15 years' experience as a planner specializing in social policy, affordable housing, land use planning, real estate market analysis and community engagement. She has undertaken numerous housing studies and plans for municipal, regional and provincial governments. As an expert in affordable housing and social policy, Jada was the primary researcher and author for BC Housing's award winning Expiring Operating Agreements Planning Guide for the non-profit housing sector, and recently completed the Affordable Housing Best Practices Guide on behalf of the Ministry of Municipal

Affairs and Housing. Jada has been instrumental in implementing progressive housing policy in B.C. including family-friendly rental housing, shared equity homeownership, land trusts research, transit-oriented housing policy, inclusionary rental policy, density bonus and pre-zoning for rental housing, and density transfer programs for rental and non-market housing. Jada was also involved in the Metro Vancouver study on Transit-oriented Development and the Revolving Loan Fund which looked at the potential of creating financially viable market rental and non-market housing projects near transit-oriented areas in the region. Jada enjoys engaging with the public and stakeholders to find the meaning and the drivers of key indicators and data.

Jada will provide strategic oversight and will support Lucas and the team on key deliverables.

#### **ANJI RANA**

# Planning Analyst

With a personal and professional background in finance and applied planning, Anji is known for having unique experiences working in collaborative environments serving private, public, and/or non-profit sectors. Her involvement in these varied industries have exposed her to vulnerable groups of people, which has resulted in a personal interest of creating inclusive and equitable communities through the implementation of land use planning, sustainable systems, and affordable housing.

As a Planning Analyst with CitySpaces, Anji offers a high degree of technical support, analysis, and research for planning and development projects. She brings an inquisitive nature and applies creative practices to projects while using her warm demeanour to effectively engage with the public and stakeholders.

For this project, Anji will support the team with engagement support and analysis.



### **TALIA KERR**

Graphic Designer + Digital Marketing Coordinator

Talia approaches each project with passion, motivated by the important role effective communication plays in informing and empowering the public. In this pursuit, she brings a broad range of skills to CitySpaces in graphic design and digital communication, supporting projects from concept to implementation. Talia is known for her creative and innovative approach to consultation support, producing interacting and fun tools to inform, educate, and obtain feedback from diverse audiences. Her experience in social media strategy and web design is an asset which enables the engagement of a

broader audience. This diverse skill set allows graphics and digital communication to be tailored to the individual needs of projects, clients, and stakeholders.

Talia will be responsible for graphics and communications.