

Meeting Notes Thursday, October 11, 2012 7:00 pm in the Conference Room

Present: Dan Fass (Chair), Sarah Cullingham, Penny Street

Staff: Hai Truong (Note Taker), Cynthia Low

1) Approval of Agenda

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT MEETING OF OCTOBER 11, 2012.

Sarah Cullingham/Penny Street

CARRIED

2) Approval of Notes

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT MEETING NOTES OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2012 WITH AMENDMENT TO THE GRANDVIEW-WOODLAND WALKING TOUR. IT WAS AT THE VANCOUVER ABORIGINAL FRIENDSHIP CENTRE INSTEAD OF THE URBAN ABORIGINAL FRIENDSHIP CENTRE.

Penny Street/Sarah Cullingham

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3) Report on Board Retreat

The main topic of the retreat was reaffirming the integrated services model. However, in order to make it work, the partners have to work on their communication. Information sometimes doesn't get exchanged in a timely manner. There is a lack of clarity on roles and responsibilities among the partners. Certain jurisdictions are also not clear. For example, the high school principal sees challenges in running a school on a public site like the Britannia site. We should work to improve the Britannia partnership.

4) City of Vancouver Neighbourhood Matching Fund

The City of Vancouver Neighbourhood Matching Fund supports projects by neighborhood-based groups, including community centre associations and neighbourhood houses, who wish to make creative improvements to public land. The fund supports projects which actively involve people in developing community and building neighbourhood connections while improving parks or other public spaces. The Vancouver Park Board will supply funds up to \$10,000 to match the contribution that the community makes through other fund raised, supplies donated, or volunteer labour. Next application deadline is October 31, 2012. The Planning & Development Committee could apply for Astorino's under the fund.

NOTES – Planning & Development

5) Update from Britannia Action Planning Committee: Astorino's and Potato Farm

The Board has provided support for the Astorino's project, but they advised us to proceed with caution. Sarah Cullingham will help with permits for the project.

Astorino's and the potato farm are two of four projects being pursued. The others are the Out of School Care Garden Project and the racquetball retrofit.

6) Update on Grandview-Woodland Community Plan

Some people are disappointed with the Grandview-Woodland Community Plan. At the previous open houses, residents were asked to write their input and suggestions on post-it notes, but there was no real discussion that took place nor was there any evidence where all their input would be put to use. This is not real community input. The community engagement is not really working.

7) Update on Eastern Core Strategy

Planning staff are working on the Eastern Core Strategy. They are in the process of consulting about the Malkin Connection.

8) Other Business

The Planning & Development committee is trying to encourage former members to attend meetings. Penny will call maybe 20 of them.

9) Adjourn

MOTION: TO ADJOURN.

Penny Street/Sarah Cullingham

CARRIED

Next P&D Committee Meeting: 7:00PM Thursday November 22nd, 2012.