

**Meeting Notes  
August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010  
7:00 pm in the Conference Room**

**PRESENT:** Bette Murphy, Ray Spaxman, John Flipse, Bruce Macdonald, Zackir Suleman, Penny Street, Dan Fass, Adam Potvin, Lynda Hurst, Dan Freeman, Maged Senbel

**REGRETS:** Ken Ciochon, Bev Seed, Ian Marcuse, Cathy Wang

**GUEST:** Madeline Boscoe (REACH Clinic)

**STAFF:** Cynthia Low, Hai Truong (Note Taker)

**1) Review notes and Action items**

Correction: In item 1, under Site and Neighbourhood Zoning, RM4 (east of Commercial Street) was label incorrectly. It was suppose to be RT5.

**2) Vision Discussion  
(Please See Attached)**

- This is the vision statements of the Planning and Development Committee for Britannia Masterplan, not the vision of Britannia Community Centre
- The term “partnerships” in the second statement raise some concern. There is a suggestion to change it to “alliances.” Other suggestion is to emphasize on innovative “public” partnership. The concern is that the government interprets the word “partnerships” as an invitation or suggestion for P3’s. Politicians like to attach P3’s to any project that will cost over \$50 million.
- The word “context” in the fourth statement also raises some questions. It is unclear as to what it is referring to. There is a suggestion to add “social and physical” in front of “context.” Other thinks that by adding “social and physical” will make the statement too repetitive.
- Anyone wish to add their suggestions to the Vision, please sent it to Dan Freeman at freeman.daniel@gmail.com  
DEADLINE FOR COMMENTS: Monday August 16<sup>th</sup>

**3) Britannia Funding Options – Implications of P3’s; Presented by Bette Murphy  
(Please See Attached)**

- P3’s can vary but it usually allows private parties to plan, finance, build, and/or operate public facilities – usually at a much higher total cost than if publicly owned
- Some of the problems are lost of public assets and control, creation of private sector monopolies, less accountability, public holds the risk, loss of in-house capacity to deliver services, and public sometimes locked into complex, decades-long contracts
- Our vision has to be clear in order not to suggest any involvement of P3’s
- The Government likes to attach P3’s to any project that will cost over \$50 million because this allow them to announce new projects without the full costs appearing immediately in their book
- We need to be smart on how we present the phase; we can also plan strategy for resistance in case the government is pressuring us into P3’s.

## **NOTES – Planning & Development**

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### **4) REACH Clinic**

- REACH would like to expand its centre and become a partnership with Britannia Centre
- This allows Britannia to integrate art, health and education into one central area
- The REACH building will also allow Britannia to have a presence on The Drive
- We should reciprocate; a committee member from Planning and Development should go to one of REACH's meetings

### **5) Work Chart Review – to include Fall 2010 Event**

- Special presentation event plan: Vancouver Library Board, Vancouver Park Board, First Nation Representation should be represented
- Mike Harcourt is the host but the MC is yet to be determined
- The September 18<sup>th</sup> date has been withdrawn; another date has been suggested in October, the date will depend on availability of key guests
- Working group will refine this the vision statement and details of the event
- John Flipse wishes to join the working group

### **6) Actions to be carried out by next meeting:**

**ACTION:** Discussion online communication working group Thursday August 24<sup>th</sup>

**ACTION:** Cynthia to inform the partnership of REACH with the consultants

### **7) Adjourn at 9:15pm**