

Planning and Development Committee
Tuesday January 24th, 2017
7:00 pm in the Learning Resources Centre

Present: Jane Sheil, Ye Chu, Penny Street, Don Schmitt, Joanne Scanlon, Lawrence Cofield, Ken Paquette, Alison Maddaugh, Rachel Bedet, Megan Langley, Yukiko Tosa, Elizabeth Murphy, Eileen Holt, Christopher Dalton, Alec Smith, Ian Marcuse, John Ingram, Ross Brecner, Roy Spaxman, Alice Mounro, Anne Cowan, Nancy Strider, Flora pon, Matthew Halverson, Ana Maria Llanos, Nicole Jahraus, Anne Prince, Wendy White, Juan Carlos Maldonado, Paul Godowin, Sandra Vigil Fonesca, Trevor Snider, Pat Hogan, George Rahi

Britannia Staff: Cynthia Low, Peter Odysnsky, Lindsay Grant, Giles Grierson
CoV Staff: Danica Djurkovic, Michelle Shouls

1. **Presentation from Urban Arts Architecture**, the lead consultant on our project, and their partners;
 - Diamond Schmidt (architectural firm),
 - Space2Place (landscape architects),
 - Integral Group (“deep green” engineering firm),
 - Ecoplan (a multi-disciplinary firm of planners, urban designers, decision analysts and economic development specialists).

The Presentation included an introduction to each partner, a timeline, a list of focus groups and subject areas for study, and a partial list of events, and was followed by an open-format question & answer session. Some highlights/significant comments from the Q & A:

- **Outcome** – The goal of this consultation is to produce a new, “final” master plan, which will not be an architectural blueprint but will be what is used to produce those blueprints. It is envisioned as a “30 year plan” to oversee all changes to the site over time.
- **Timeline** - This document should be ready in March of 2018. No start date has been set for construction. Previous documents have discussed a “Phase 1” construction of a new Pool & Rink. The City of Vancouver representative clarified that no final decision has been made, but it has been discussed this way in the past because of escalating maintenance costs for the aging infrastructure in those buildings.
- **Funding** - The goal is for funding for Phase 1 construction to be included in the City of Vancouver 2019-2023 Capital Plan.
- **Housing** – Jennifer Marshall of Urban Arts clarified that they have been asked by the City of Vancouver to include in their consultation an examination of the possibilities for non-market housing on the Britannia site. The City of Vancouver representative explained that this is now a part of virtually all development projects undertaken by the City, and that the nature and size of potential housing is not pre-decided, nor is there currently a housing partner attached to the project.
- **Shared vs. Dedicated Space** – Repeated concern was raised from the floor about dedicated vs. shared/flexible spaces, especially regarding a seniors’ centre/lounge. There was much discussion but - as with most topics of discussion today (ie: housing) - the take away is that everything is on the table for discussion in this process, but no decisions have been made – the process is only starting now. That said, there will be a serious look at flexible use in order to maximise limited resources/floor space.

2. **Previous Minutes** – accepted with minor revisions
3. **Land Use Principles Feedback** – bumped to next meeting; feedback to be distributed via email