

Foothills Medical Centre Area Communities Working Group Tuesday, October 28, 2014 7:00 - 8:30 pm FMC South Tower - Suite 509, Room 514

MINUTES

Community Attendees: Parkdale: Derek Brown, Vi Todd St Andrews Heights: Jacques Gendron, Liz Murray, Ken Zdunich University Heights: James Love, David Richardson

Alberta Health Services: Janice Cullen, Michael Suddes, Shelley Nycz Alberta Infrastructure: Sean Williams

	Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
1.	Welcome and Introductions	J. Cullen welcomed attendees and introductions were made.	
2.	Approval of Agenda	L. Murray requested that an update on STARS Air Ambulance activity at the FMC heliport be added to the agenda.	
3.	Approval of Minutes	Minutes of the September 18 th , 2014 meeting were amended to clarify that parking Lot 8A expansion will be a permanent development. Minutes were approved as amended.	
4.	Alberta Health Services Parkade Project	The New Lot 1 parkade design was reviewed briefly, as well as the proposed expansion of parking Lot 8A. S. Nycz noted that the Development Permit applications for both New Lot 1 and Lot 8A expansion were accepted by the City of Calgary on October 20 th and circulation was reported to have been initiated on October 28 th .	
		It was confirmed that the intention is to complete	

Lot 8A expansion prior to demolition of existing Lot	
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S. Nycz noted that demolition of Lot 1 is anticipated to involve well-planned dismantling of the structural elements. Community members identified dust, noise, truck traffic, and potential hours of work as Lot 1 demolition and construction issues that will be of interest to nearby residents. They suggested that Working Group meetings can be the primary means of communicating Lot 1 redevelopment activities, with supplemental updates by email as required. L. Murray and J. Gendron recommended an update on both Lot 8A and Lot 1 development proposals specifically targeted to residents along 29 th Street.	
Several questions were raised about Lot 1 and Lot 8A project management.	S. Nycz to address Lot 1 project management questions with R. Exner.
It was agreed that Lot 1 replacement will present wayfinding challenges for patient, family and visitor drivers arriving at the hospital. Working Group members proposed a variety of opportunities for directing drivers, including advance distribution of information to patients, notification via media and mobile device traffic updates, temporary road signage acceptable to local residents, and distinctive route markings for different on-site destinations.	
Suggestions for the reception of patients and family members upon drop off and/or assistance with wayfinding after parking were also provided.	
S. Nycz confirmed that offsite parking will be needed to support the operations of the hospital during Lot 1 replacement.	

	It was noted that AHS has recently been collaborating with West Campus Development Trust to explore the potential for development of temporary parking on West Campus land. An aerial view was presented to identify land northeast of Alberta Children's Hospital (ACH) being considered for development of a temporary parking lot that would be available for the anticipated two year period of Lot 1 replacement. Working Group members identified temporary parking lot hours of operation, potential compatibility with Transit, and access routes as issues that will be of interest to community residents. J. Love inquired whether optimization of parking capacity on U of C Lot 58, located north of ACH, has been reviewed. It was noted that additional offsite parking capacity may be required on Government land at the west end of Parkdale. Working Group members expressed interest in efforts by AHS to reduce staff parking demand at FMC.	S. Nycz to confirm review of Lot 58 optimal capacity.
Alberta Infrastructure Calgary Cancer Project	 S. Williams confirmed two upcoming meetings involving community representatives: a Transportation Impact Assessment update on October 30th, and a November 12th project overview update involving an opportunity to identify adjacent community interests related to development of the Calgary Cancer Project (CCP) site. It was noted that a Government decision on P3 project delivery for the CCP is anticipated in 	

		December.	
7.	McCaig Tower Heliport - STARS	L. Murray suggested that the presentation by STARS Air Ambulance representatives at the September 18 th ACWG meeting was helpful, but noted that STARS aircraft continue to fly over St. Andrews Heights (SAH). SAH community members anticipate elevating the issue within the South Shaganappi Area Strategic Planning Group, with a request for STARS flight paths that do not pass over the residential neighbourhoods. It was noted that STARS representatives will be attending a SAH community meeting on November 24 th .	
		SAH Working Group representatives called for AHS to forward a formal request to STARS to be attentive to the impacts of FMC flight activity on the adjacent neighbourhoods.	J. Cullen and M. Suddes to address SAH request with senior managers.
8.	Date of Next Meeting	It was agreed that the next meeting would be planned to coordinate with the timeline for Development Permit application comments to the City of Calgary, however AHS representation at scheduled meetings of the Community Associations could be an alternate approach for project communication within that timeframe.	Meeting Date TBD
9.	Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm	