



DRAFT - PENDING WORKING GROUP APPROVAL

Foothills Medical Centre Area Communities Working Group

Thursday, February 12, 2015

7:00 - 8:30 pm

FMC South Tower - Suite 509, Room 514

MINUTES

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

Regrets: Kara Hallett, Jacques Gendron, David Richardson, Jan Brawn

Alberta Health Services: Janice Cullen, Dr. Bill Hall, Randy Exner, Jason Morton, Shelley Nycz

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
1. Welcome and Introductions	J. Cullen welcomed attendees and introductions were made.	
2. Approval of Agenda	L. Murray requested that updates from St. Andrews Heights on the Brentwood Care Centre and STARS Air Ambulance activity be added to the agenda.	
3. Approval of Minutes	Minutes of the October 28 th , 2014 meeting were approved.	
4. Alberta Health Services Parkade Project	<p>S. Nycz noted that the St Andrews Heights representatives delivered an effective community review of the New Lot 1 parkade Development Permit (DP) application in November.</p> <p>R. Exner confirmed that AHS and Stantec are working to address DP comments and will be meeting with the City shortly to review remaining items.</p> <p>S. Nycz explained that AHS is collaborating with West Campus Development Trust and the U of C to advance plans for temporary parking capacity on West Campus land north and east of Alberta Children’s Hospital (ACH), which would</p>	

	<p>be available for the anticipated two year period of Lot 1 replacement. A separate DP application for this initiative is anticipated.</p> <p>Community representatives expressed interest in the utilization and operational plans for the temporary parking lots.</p> <p>R. Exner reiterated that Lot 8A expansion is anticipated to begin in the spring to provide additional parking capacity prior to Lot 1 demolition, slated for the fall.</p> <p>Temporary signage for the period of Lot 1 replacement was discussed. Working Group members restated the need for signage to advise visitors of site parking access and any site roadway restrictions.</p> <p>Potential temporary signage locations along 29th Street, 16th Avenue, and Uxbridge Drive were identified. Community representatives suggested that the use of a wayfinding colour and symbol scheme would be preferable to text, where possible. R. Exner committed to working with City of Calgary Transportation to develop a temporary signage solution.</p> <p>Working Group members offered additional recommended approaches for AHS to use to inform the public of the parking disruption.</p> <p>Use of 29th Street for access to the Lot 1 construction site was discussed, with the community representatives emphasizing their preference for limited construction vehicle traffic on that route.</p>	<p>R. Exner to review temporary signage opportunities with the City of Calgary</p>
<p>5. Brentwood Care Centre – Local Construction Projects</p>	<p>L. Murray noted that an addition is planned at the west end of the existing site, to increase the capacity of the Centre.</p> <p>The DP application is expected within the next few weeks.</p>	

	<p>Construction is proposed to start in early 2016, with site access from 15th Avenue anticipated.</p> <p>Community residents are concerned about the impacts of potential concurrent construction at FMC, Brentwood Care Centre, Stadium Shopping Centre, West Campus, and the Brookfield residential site at Memorial Drive.</p> <p>R. Exner confirmed that AHS is meeting with the other developers to explore opportunities to coordinate construction activity and mitigate impacts to the communities.</p>	
<p>6. FMC Site Master Planning</p>	<p>S. Nycz introduced the FMC site master planning initiative that is just underway, and outlined the structure of the project.</p> <p>Dr. Hall explained the long term vision for health services at the FMC site, which will guide master planning.</p> <p>J. Cullen noted that service provision at FMC will be considered in relation to the Calgary Zone as a whole.</p> <p>The role of the Working Group in site master planning was discussed. Consideration of potential physical and functional impacts to the adjacent neighbourhoods will be an ongoing priority.</p> <p>It was agreed that there should also be an effort to envision the medical centre within a comprehensive community context – the evolving neighbourhoods (old and new), the local amenities and services, the urban activity and infrastructure.</p> <p>Community representatives also offered suggestions about potential AHS engagement initiatives that may appeal to a broad spectrum of the public.</p>	<p>S. Nycz to outline master plan involvement for FMC ACWG</p> <p>J. Morton to convey suggestions to AHS Communications</p>

<p>7. McCaig Tower Heliport - STARS</p>	<p>L. Murray commented that the frequency of STARS flights passing over St Andrews Heights (SAH) seems to have diminished. More flights seem to be approaching from the McMahon stadium area.</p> <p>SAH residents are hopeful that their dialogue with STARS late last year has led to greater efforts to mitigate noise impacts when possible.</p>	
<p>8. Date of Next Meeting</p>		<p>Meeting Date TBD</p>
<p>9. Adjournment</p>	<p>Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm</p>	

*Please note that these minutes are in DRAFT form and are subject to change and approval at the next Working Group meeting.

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