

Foothills Medical Centre Area Communities Working Group
Thursday, November 26, 2015
7:00 - 8:30 pm
FMC South Tower - Suite 509, Room 514

MINUTES

Parkdale: Derek Brown, Kara Hallett

St Andrews Heights: Liz Murray, Ken Zdunich, Jacques Gendron

University Heights: Jan Brawn, James Love

Regrets: Vi Todd, David Richardson

Alberta Health Services: Janice Cullen, Michael Suddes, Jason Morton, Shelley Nycz, Randy Exner

Alberta Infrastructure: Erin Nagata

	Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
1.	Welcome and Introductions	J. Cullen welcomed attendees and introductions were made.	
2.	Approval of Agenda	The agenda was accepted.	
3.	Approval of Minutes	Minutes of the October 1, 2015 meeting were approved.	S. Nycz to post minutes to website.
4.	FMC Site Master Planning	S. Nycz identified Dialog Architecture and RMC Resource Management Consultants Programming as the consultant team for master planning. The internal project team is transferring current state information to the consultant team to initiate the Analysis Phase of work. The Master Plan Engagement Working Group has had an initial meeting with consultant team members. The interests of the ACWG in master planning involvement will be confirmed through the Engagement Working Group.	

	An introductory session with physicians representing diverse Departments as well as the University of Calgary was just completed, with many suggestions for physician participation in planning for advancement of the FMC site.	
5. FMC Parking Development	The Premier's October 28 confirmation that the Calgary Cancer Centre will be built on the Lot 7 site has enabled AHS to proceed with planning for parking redevelopment at FMC. R. Exner reminded the Group of the proposal to demolish the existing Lot 1 parking structure and replace it with a new larger-capacity parkade in the same location. Additional capacity of ±850 stalls above the present 1200 in Lot 1 is planned, to address the loss of the Lot 7 surface parking lot. AHS will proceed with this parking redevelopment plan. R. Exner verified that the proposed design of the New Lot 1 parkade will remain almost entirely as previously presented to and accepted by the ACWG and other stakeholders, and submitted for Development Permit approval. The need to provide temporary replacement parking during the period of Lot 1 redevelopment was reiterated. As shared with the Group previously, temporary parking on nearby West Campus land provides the most viable alternative. S. Nycz noted that the importance of this temporary parking for the daily operation of FMC and as an early component of the overall development required for the Calgary Cancer Centre has been recognized by West Campus Development Trust. Discussions about the initiative to develop a temporary parking lot south of Alberta Children's Hospital	
	are underway with University Heights Community Association leadership. R. Exner outlined a revision to the New Lot 1 development strategy, involving phased construction, to allow for the	

earliest possible occupancy of a minimum of 830 stalls to replace the existing parking in Lot 7.

E. Nagata identified September 2017 as the target for the start of Calgary Cancer Centre construction on the Lot 7 site.

The construction start for New Lot 1 is contingent on the availability of the proposed temporary parking at West Campus. Earliest occupancy of the temporary parking is estimated as September 2016.

It was confirmed that the second phase of New Lot 1 construction will coincide with Calgary Cancer Centre construction. AHS and Alberta Infrastructure will collaborate to ensure that the projects are well coordinated. A potential overlap of the first phase of New Lot 1 and Calgary Cancer Centre construction is recognized and requires mitigation planning, which is in progress.

The New Lot 1 structure will have the capacity to accommodate two additional potential future levels of parking.

Working Group members expressed support for the New Lot 1 redevelopment project to proceed as soon as possible, at optimal cost efficiency, with least impact to operations, and best value to the FMC site (which was considered to possibly include additional capacity).

J. Love inquired whether existing U of C parking which is not in demand during summer months could be utilized by AHS to accommodate an earlier start on the Lot 1 project.

New Lot 1 construction site access was discussed. R. Exner inquired about potential community acceptance of a temporary construction-vehicle-only right-in access to Hospital Drive from 29th St at the location of the now-closed access lane. This would enable most construction traffic leaving the Lot 1 site to circle back through FMC to the west

S. Nycz and R. Exner to explore potential for AHS use of existing U of C parking during the summer of 2016.

	interchange and by-pass the intersection of 29th St and 16th Avenue. L. Murray expressed concern about potential conflict with pedestrian traffic. It was agreed that more detailed assessment of options will be required. R. Exner noted that the previous proposal for Lot 8A expansion remains under consideration, with the lot access (internal to the FMC site) requiring further review with the City. Working Group members suggested that integrated community consultation addressing both the implementation of the New Lot 1 project and the planning, design, and construction of the Cancer Centre would be appreciated.	
6. Updates from Communities	J. Gendron noted he had met with M. Brescia regarding the Stadium Shopping Centre redevelopment. The site design is under review with City departments prior to Development Permit application. Two phases of construction are planned. The earliest anticipated construction start is Fall 2016, which would lead to completion of phase one in 2019. L. Murray noted that the Brentwood Care Centre development has been approved. In addition, Rundle School in St. Andrews Heights has been sold and will undergo redevelopment, however the proposed use has not been confirmed as of this time. Community concerns about increasing property crime in the neighborhoods were mentioned. K. Hallett noted that the concept of a walkway connecting the Parkdale community garden to the FMC southeast escarpment has been raised, which could be an amenity that may enable FMC patients to experience the natural environment.	Consideration of an enhanced FMC/ Parkdale connection to be raised during site master planning.

7.	Date of Next Meeting	A potential January or February meeting was considered.	Meeting Date TBD
8.	Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm	