

GREEN PHOENIX

Community Consultation Committee

Minutes of Meeting

— APRIL 11, 2005 —



This committee is an important access point for community input into the design, construction, and occupancy of the Green Phoenix project. We will send announcements, minutes, and updates to everyone who expresses an interest. Please call 416.649.0202 or e-mail green@phoenixplace.com to be added to or removed from the circulation list.

Present: Maureen Houlihan, Parkdale Resident
Scott MacMillan, King St W;
John Colautti, Councillor's Office
Rod Layman, Cunningham St
Adam Czerechowicz, Parkdale United Church Foundation

Minutes and meeting announcements are circulated to:

Angi Eagan, Dunn Ave,
Amanda & Chris Deeley, Dunn Ave,
Diane Slawych, Dunn Ave,
Walter Jarsky, by e-mail
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Fred Ni, by e-mail
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Leslie Moody, Queen Victoria Public School
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Queen Victoria P.S School Council
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Mike Foderick, PLEDC
Victor Willis, PARC
Ronald Armstrong, Jameson Ave
Diana Blauzdzianas, Bloor St W
Tenants of 1355 King Street W
Bernard Bischof, Spencer Ave
Neil Speigel, by e-mail
Steve Hilditch, Architect, by e-mail
Jennifer Penney, Wright Ave
Sima Zerehi, CultureLink
Amanda Boyd, Charles Ellsworth, Marlene Amonsens,
Parkdale United Church

1. Suggestions for additional community representation

- The meeting started with the observation that many people who expressed an interest in the project have not attended a meeting. The minutes are circulated widely but people may be too busy to read a long document.
- Future meeting announcements will be posted on poles in the neighbourhood and distributed to houses.
- Adam will ask the school if we can drop off notices, and also Parkdale Library and Information Centre.
- Put announcement in next Councillor's e-newsletter
- Scott contacted Ram at the breakfast program at the Cowan Ave. community centre. Ram is interested in the project and Scott will keep him informed. Adam will see him next Wednesday.

2. Feedback from Parkdale Residents Association ("PRA")

Maureen mentioned the project at the last PRA meeting. There were some misconceptions – some thought the project planning was complete, people asked where tenants would come from, what the unit mix was, are the rents geared to income, etc. No problems with the operation of the existing building were mentioned.

3. Development of an information package

- Adam & Rod will work on a simple brochure. It will include pictures.
- We will develop one-page handouts on various aspects of the project.
- Adam & Rod will attend the next meeting of the PRA April 27th at 20 West Lodge. Rod to contact secretary to get on the agenda.
- Minutes and updates sent by e-mail will have a summary in the body of the message, and the full text in the attachments.
- Publications should mention goals and elements of the project which will make it a community asset, for instance space for community groups.

4. The timeline

Rod outlined the timeline. The concept is fixed now, but not the final design. The first meeting of the Integrated Design Process is April 27th. We hope to go to the C of A this summer. Construction needs to be underway by March 2006.

5. Sign

The meeting reviewed a sketch for a sign with a message crawl feature. John Colautti mentioned there is a city sign by-law. Adam said he will bring it to the attention of the designers.

6. Church Design Committee

The church has set up a committee to set goals for the design of the church space resulting from the re-orientation of the church main entrance from Dunn Avenue to King Street. Scott mentioned that one member of the congregation thought King Street frontage was too valuable to waste on a laundry. Several people mentioned that College Street United Church at Bathurst Street has an excellent entrance. The use of an “arch” form as a signifier was mentioned again. A suggestion that we use our photo archive to recreate the feel of the old church.

7. STOP example

This agency at 1884 Davenport Rd. was brought up as a useful study for the amenity space here. A community police station has a calming effect on the neighbourhood, and various food programs operate there.

8. Next Meeting of the Community Consultation Committee

Monday May 2, at 7:00 pm at 171 Dunn Avenue in the Church Hall.

Upcoming Events – we should try to have an info table at our **Giant Annual Yard Sale** May 28th, and **Neighbours’ Night Out** at 20 West Lodge June 5th.
