

West Hillhurst Community Association Board of Directors Meeting

February 14th, 2022 @ 7pm

Attendees: Cher Jacobs, James Heater, Janice Paskey, Dale Voight, Peter Stunden, Jordan Stuart, Christine Brown, Jan Cerny

By Invitation: Bryan Polak (General Manager) Brenda Annala (City of Calgary), Karen Dahl (Planning Committee)

Regrets: Patrick Craddock, Dave Best, Dylan Richards

1. Call to Order
 - Quorum confirmed
2. Approval of meeting minutes
 - Correction to add Jordan as attending in January minutes
 - Motion from James to approve the January meeting minutes. Cher - 2nd the motion. All in favor
3. City of Calgary update
 - WHCA board met with Brenda on Saturday for a strategic planning session to work on mission, vision and values and identify core priorities for 2022
 - Access Calgary (Scouts building) may have space for us to utilize for programs from WHCA
 - Brenda to send Bryan and Cher notes regarding Rogers cell tower
4. Engagement with Councillor Wong
 - Councillors' office reached out and want to know the following prior to their meeting in March/April:
 - Long-term and short term key priorities for community and timeline
 - Top 3 projects that our group has been working on and any successes/challenges
 - How can the city and the Councillors office help with our projects
 - Preferences for communication and engagement with our office
 - The board needs to identify our key priorities at our next meeting so we can inform Councillor Wong prior to their March/April Meeting
5. Planning
 - 2032-2040 5th ave—land use change to R-CG, committee expecting to address concerns with the developer regarding height, traffic, parking, etc at the development permit stage
 - Change of Use – 1929 3rd Ave – committee against this development permit as it exceeds site coverage
 - Single detached homes on 5th ave, planning committee found errors in the application and have brought those notes forward.
 - Councillor Wong will attend February planning meeting on Feb 16th and the committee will discuss the Riley Communities Area Plan, Crowchild Trail pedestrian overpass, traffic calming measures, process for ongoing engagement with the Councillor's office plus other topics

6. Transportation Committee

- Public Realm money for West Hillhurst 19th street, Janice will follow up with the city as it is unclear what will be covered under this project
- Planning Committee is working on a new planning process for a traffic study for Briar Hill, Houndsfield Heights, Hillhurst-Sunnyside and WHCA
- Lots of concerns over speeding traffic through the park zone on 19th street, spoke with Constable Marshall and will work with us to assist, the placement of the park sign is not in an ideal spot to notify cars to slow down
- Flashing Beacon on 19th street and 2nd ave , speaking with the Councillor's office to maybe make it an event when it is unveiled

7. Health & Safety

- Dale met with the 3 employees, everyone is good

8. Green Committee/HR and Bike Park

- No updates

9. Community Events

- Winterfest Feb 27th 1-5, shinny, skating, Telus spark presentations, maple taffy on a stick, music and more
- We applied for the community clean up packer trucks and we were accepted, so will utilize for our Spruce up the Neighbourhood event
- Discussions have started for hosting food truck events again this year

10. General Manager's update

- Memorial garden in honor of David will be completed in 2 phases, one slated for this spring and the remaining for next spring - approximate cost \$7000
- Bookings - Arena and gym are doing well, other 3 meeting rooms are not still booking up, Squash and fitness center doing well
- Potential to change dance studio to squash courts as a result we could apply for provincial tournaments
- Bank account healthy, due to casino funds, federal, provincial and city grants
- Applied for City of Calgary Covid funding but most likely will not be approved
- Capital Projects 2022 – HVAC in dressing rooms- Brenda and Bryan working on fast tracking the CGC approval to order equipment in time for project
- Grants – 6 employees on Alberta Now program, 1 year program
- Covid – REP mandate done, no proof of vaccine required to enter building
- Storm sewer is level and should be graded to allow for flow, work will be required to ensure we do not have backups
- City work continues along 5th Ave in front of building

11. In Camera Session (Bryan left meeting)

12. Meeting Adjourned 9 pm