

**University Endowment Lands
Minutes from the
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, July 19, 2017**

Minutes from the meeting of the University Endowment Lands (UEL) Community Advisory Council (CAC), held at **6:00 pm on Monday, July 19, 2017**, in the Community Amenity Space at 300-5755 Dalhousie Road, Vancouver, BC.

CAC Members Present:

Dave Forsyth, Area A, President
Jaymie Ho, Area B, Vice-President
Peter McConnell, Area C, Secretary-Treasurer
Lynne Pomfret, Area A
Mojan Nozari, Area D
Justin LeBlanc, Area D

UEL Staff Present:

Jon Braman, Manager

Regrets:

Hong Chen, Area D
Donna Corcoran, Deputy Manager

1. Call to Order at 6:00 pm

1.1. Open Public Session

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved, Seconded, Carried

- Add to the agenda under section "9.0 – New Business":
 - Item "9.1 – Planting on Western Parkway and Maintenance"
 - Item "9.2 – Motion for Correspondence with David Eby"

3. June 19, 2017 Minutes Review/Acceptance

Moved, Seconded, Carried

4. Delegations

There were no delegations at this meeting.

5. CAC Correspondence

5.1. CAC Bank Statement

- The CAC bank statement for period ending July 17, 2017 is \$51,788.86.

6. Next meeting – Monday, September 18, 2017

The next meeting will be on September 18, 2017 at 6pm in the Community Amenity Space at #300 - 5755 Dalhousie Road.

7. UEL Manager Report to the CAC

7.1. Development Permits

- Development permits have been approved for 1816 Wesbrook Mall and 5590 Chancellor Boulevard.

7.2. Planning Initiative / Introduce Jessica Daniels (Planning Officer)

- Jessica Daniels is the new Planning Officer at the UEL office.
- Dorli Duffy is an independent consultant specialized in planning facilitation and stakeholders engagement. She will be supporting the conversation between the UEL and CAC, beginning in the fall of 2017.

7.3. Public Works Update

- **Paving (Area A & C)**
 - The paving work has been completed and speed bumps have been added. The line painting is still pending.
- **Block F – Acadia/Toronto South and Acadia North Work**
 - Sewer line construction has begun. Invasive species have been removed with the goals of reopening the park to the public soon.
 - Developers will be installing shallow utilities around Block F (including storm and water lines). As one of the UEL downstream sewer lines is in schedule for a repair, the UEL will be working with the developers to upsize the installation work in Block F and upgrade the sanitary sewer line in the north of Acadia. This work will likely begin in late September.
- **University Boulevard Water Line**
 - Water line installation work from Blanca Street to Chancellor Boulevard is expected to be completed over the summer, with extended construction work that is within the construction hours in by-law.
- **Trees**
 - A number of trees in very poor conditions (i.e. dead or nearly dead) have been identified. Plans to replace these trees will begin in the fall. Some more maple trees in Wesbrook Crescent will be removed as they are becoming safety hazards. Recommendations will be taken from the Forest Management Plan.

8. Old Business

8.1. Bike Sticker and Bike Parking By-Law Update

- Justin's proposal to remove the bike stickers was suggested to be brought up to the planner and consultant (Jessica and Dorli) in the fall, as the issues with bike parking seems to be specific to Area D.
- Having specific data and information metrics on bike parking (e.g. whether it is for private or public use) would be helpful to inform topics such as whether more public space is needed for bike parking.

8.2. Wesbrook and Chancellor Intersection Sign Update

- This topic was raised by Maria Harris in the last weekend, regarding replacing the yield sign with a stop sign at the Wesbrook and Chancellor Intersection. The UEL will raise this concern.

8.3. Block F Working Group Update

- The programming of the community centre has made some progress. The property is cleared out and the developers are working to hire an architect for the project. Manager Braman suggested to invite the developers to the CAC public meeting in the fall to give the council an update.

8.4. Community Works Project

- The Community Works Project working group has met with Manager Braman on June 29th, 2017 to discuss the community works project idea suggestions and to get his input and feedback. Manager Braman was supportive of the project. For community projects to be successful and impactful, Manager Braman also highlighted the importance and need for strong community support and involvement alongside with the UEL efforts and leadership.
- The three shortlisted projects are:
 - Climate Mitigation/Green Infrastructure Project
 - With considerations to the suggestions AECOM has proposed, a climate mitigation/green infrastructure project would improve public area use and help activate public space and community engagement
 - E.g. building rain gardens, community gardens, urban forest linear parks, bioswales (e.g. in Area C on Chancellor Blvd.)
 - Improving Community Disaster Preparedness
 - E.g. installing solar powered structures, purchasing water supply for emergency use, having community center as shelter relief in case of major disaster
 - Transportation Improvement
 - Build a bike lane between 6th and 16th (Blanca)
 - Though this area has been identified in Vancouver's 5 Year Bike Lane plan, UEL's jumpstart to the project would create an impact for the broad UBC and UEL communities.
- The next step would be for the working group to advocate the choice project proposal at the Community Works Funding Group meeting in September/October to make a proposal to Public Works Metro Vancouver.
- **Motion:** The three community works projects were presented and discussed. While all three project ideas were excellent and certainly needed by the

community, the Council is overwhelmingly in support of the Climate Mitigation/Green Infrastructure project.

- *Motion was proposed by Dave, seconded by Jaymie, favoured and carried unanimously by the Council.*

9. New Business

9.1. Planting on Western Parkway and Maintenance

- Flower and trees planting on Western parkway are inconsistent with the planting work in other areas such as on Chancellor Boulevard.
- Manager Braman explains that the gardeners will start working on the flowerbeds and the UEL has hired more staff to help in the summer. The gardener has plans to fix up Western Parkway.

9.2. Motion for Correspondence with David Eby

- **Motion:** Dave calls for a motion to correspond with David Eby about the UEL Works Yard and the UEL government study.
 - *Motion was seconded by Pete, favored and carried unanimously.*

10. Questions from the Public to CAC

- Kate, Area A
 - Kate brings up her concerns about the overgrown bushes on the sidewalk and street, and hopes the UEL manager can send a nudge to the owners to take care of it. She also raises her concerns about the fencing foot that is sticking out onto the side walk, which is hazardous for pedestrians. Manager Braman requested for the address so that he can look into the issue.
- Patricia, Chancellor Boulevard
 - Patricia voiced her concerns about the lampposts on Acadia and Chancellors to be replaced. Manager Braman replies that this is on his list of to-do and the office is keeping an eye out on the lampposts.
- Linda, Area D
 - Linda raised her concerns about the landscaping on Allison Road.
 - Manager Braman informs that contractors will be working on the sidewalks after the construction cleanup is completed.
- Daniel, Area C
 - Daniel raises a concern regarding neglected and overgrown hedges on 7th Avenue and Chancellor. Manager Braman requested for the address so that he can look into the issue.
 - Daniel also brought up a pedestrian safety concern, regarding Blanca Street (between University Blvd and 4th Avenue) becoming a speedway. As the jurisdiction on that road is split, Manager Braman suggested bringing the traffic safety concern to the RCMP, taking note of the direction of traffic and time periods in which it happens.

- Mojan, Area D
 - Mojan brought up her concern about the donation bins outside the church.
 - Manager Braman has spoken with all institutions and non are in favor of the bin. Letters have been sent to the bin owner to have it removed.

11. Adjournment

The meeting is adjourned at 7:40 pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dave Forsyth", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

Dave Forsyth
President
Community Advisory Council