



Meeting Notes

Community Liaison Meeting (Undeveloped Building Sites)

Held February 5, 2013 at Central Lions Seniors Centre, 11113 113 Street NW

Attended

Representatives from Ermiskin
Representatives from Henderson Estates
Representatives from Keheewin
Representatives from La Perle
Representatives from Oglivie Ridge
Representatives from Summerlea

Regrets

Representatives from Belmont
Representatives from Dunluce
Representatives from Kiniski Gardens S
Representatives from Lymburn

Topics of Discussion and Key Decisions

A. Community Liaison Concept

- Explanation given for purpose of meeting and background provided on the surplus school building sites and process for determining futures uses. City has retained all open space planned for site and only vacant school building site is being developed.
- Attendees indicated their support for the proposed Community Liaison Group concept to meet as necessary and relay information on the surplus building site project/process to their community members.
- Communities are requested to provide two volunteers to be a part of the Community Liaison Group.
- Volunteer names, contact information and community are to be emailed to surplusschools@edmonton.ca by February 28, 2013. Please indicate "Undeveloped Building Sites Community Liaisons" in the subject line.
- The Community Liaisons will meet with the City to hear updates, share community concerns and ask questions about programs and progress.

B. Communications

- Attendees indicated support for methods of communication including website updates, newsletter mailing list, Community Liaison concept, as well as group or community face-to-face meetings, as necessary.

C. Other items discussed



Housing type explanation

- Participants requested more detail on what constitutes “medium density mixed housing,” and other housing types, such as Secondary Suites. The City is working to prepare this information, including clear definitions of different housing types, and will provide to liaison groups, as well as post on the City of Edmonton website.

Community Recreation Needs Assessment

- There was discussion of the Urban Parks Management Plan and the need for a community needs recreation assessment. The City will refer this question to the Sustainable Development Department for reply.
- Attendees inquired about the other civic interests that were considered during the internal review of the undeveloped building sites. City staff will provide a summary of the civic interests that were reviewed.

Community communication

- Attendees inquired as to what communication the City staff undertook with individual communities after it received direction from senior City administration to explore residential uses on the remaining 11 undeveloped school building envelopes. The City will review and summarize information shared with communities.

Initial Preferred Use rationale

- Henderson residents requested information about the rationale for the initial preferred use proposed for the undeveloped building site in their community. The City will provide this information to Henderson residents in the near future as requested. As explained in the presentation, the City will present this information to all individual neighbourhoods during the beginning stages of community engagement that will help determine final land use recommendations.

Request for individual community league meeting

- City staff have offered to meet with Henderson Estates residents to discuss the building site in their neighbourhood. City staff are also available to meet with any other community that expresses this desire.

MR designation and surplus school declaration

- There were questions about whether the Municipal Reserve (MR) designation had been removed from lands upon which the undeveloped school building sites are located.
- The City replied that, with the exception of Dunluce (a community where a First Place development has been approved) the municipal reserve designation has not been removed on any of the undeveloped school building sites with uses not yet determined. Statutory plans and current zoning for these sites (excluding Dunluce) will remain in place until a new use has been approved by council.
- The City further explained that, in the case of lands where the MR has been removed to accommodate First Place development, this MR designation will be reapplied to the remainder of the lands once the First Place sites have been fully developed. For example, in Canon Ridge and Greenview — where First Place developments have now been completed — the MR designation and appropriate zoning are now in place.



- An attendee requested the City "provide a Council-supported position paper describing what it feels is the requirement for rezoning MR under the Municipal Government Act." The City will review the MGA and provide information regarding changes to zoning and changes to reserve designation.

City staff contact information

- An attendee requested that (a) The City provide a list of staff present at the meeting, including their contact information and (b) the City provide a list of City staff involved in making the initial preferred use recommendations to Executive Committee. The City will provide a list of program staff contact information, including staff who helped develop the initial preferred uses on the 11 undeveloped building sites.

Builder selection

- An attendee requested City Administration advise the extent to which community league volunteers may be involved in the selection of builders once a use is determined on any given site remaining. The City will consider this request and reply in a timely fashion.

Timelines

- There was a suggestion that a short term timeline of next steps be provided by the City. The City agreed to compile a timeline and will send to liaisons and post on its website.

CONTACT INFORMATION

- If this notes contains any errors or omissions, or if you have changes to suggest please contact us at surplusschools@edmonton.ca.
- If there are any changes to league representatives' contact information, please email us to let us know.

ATTACHMENTS

1. PowerPoint presentation (February 5, Undeveloped Building Sites Community Liaison meeting)
2. What is a Community Liaison 02_05
3. Undeveloped Building Sites Overview
4. Builder Community Engagement Process
5. Roadmap

NEXT MEETING

TBD