

Church Wellesley Neighbourhood Association

Minutes

Monthly Meeting July 10, 2021

Zoom Video - 10am – 12pm

Board Members Present: Connie Langille, Tara Schorr, Paul Farrelly, Robert Packham, Donald Altman, Neil Gibb

Regrets: Kyle Iannuzzi; Trevor Hennig, Sam Katz

Guest: Peter Small

1. Administration

1.2 Land Acknowledgment

1.3 Agenda – approved as amended

1.4 Declaration of Conflict of Interest – none

1.5 Minutes of Last Meeting, June 12, 2021 – were not passed

1.6 Review of Action items from June 12, 2021

- All committees meet
- Paul: Heritage Committee to strategize further on batch vs single listings: Adam and Paul met; Adam is putting together additional listings and they will then meet with Heritage regarding a batch listing.
- Paul / Robert: meeting with BCCA re OPA 183 and other issues: done; see below

1.7 Financial Status - \$3,453.42 + \$193.13 PayPal = \$3,646.55

2. Activities Report Out

2.1 Development & Heritage – Paul

BCCA/CWNA Joint Meeting

- Phase 2 of OLT (Ontario Land Tribunal; previously LPAT / OMB) appeal on OPA 183 (Yonge Street)
 - priorities: street wall, 75 degree angular plane, setbacks / stepbacks
- Phase 2 Environmental Assessment of Yonge Street north of College expected to reduce traffic lanes and increase pedestrian space; heritage will likely only apply to facades of buildings.
 - 510 Yonge at Breadalbane – Kingsett showed no intention of complying with policies on angular plane or shadow on Lillian McGregor Park. Has appealed to OLT.
 - Paul and Peter will look into the 3 towers that are being built on the east side of Yonge since the Historic Yonge Conservation District was declared to see how they conform (501 Yonge (Teahouse), 599 Yonge (The Gloucester), 2-8 Gloucester ???).
- and review the views on Yonge Street (ie Masonic Hall, clock tower)
- Agreement by the joint committee for the need to do a block by block assessment of all of the 11 blocks along the HCD: ownership; existing proposal, if any; current status; issues. Paul and Peter volunteered for the “walking committee.”
- Hearing on Phase 2 of OPA 183 appeal is likely in early 2022. Discussion of funds and legal needs.

2.2 Placemaking - Connie

- Aug 3rd meeting with One Properties and CWNA, BIA, Councillor’s office (also possibly 519) regarding usage of the property while waiting for development. Some retail is occupied; some is vacant. Tara suggested a community arts hub. There are some digital arts organizations losing their space this summer, so the timing is right. Tara and Connie will follow up with these organizations to see if they are interested and if so present at Aug. 3 meeting. Some windows, like at Church and Wellesley, could be used for community displays (for example ArQuives), Bi Arts Festival quilt, heritage display. Also, would the 519 want a temporary outreach clinic in this space?
- Report – meetings with Tyler Johnson (in person June 13; virtual June 16)
 - trim back or remove sycamore tree from south west corner of BHP because it blocks the new mural
 - laneway standards (when redevelopments come in) – Connie to clarify with Tyler exactly what is needed from us (level of summarization)
 - removal of concrete tree covers from tree pits; can they just be removed, or eventually replaced with current standard?
 - rainbow / trans crosswalks – map of suggested locations sent to Tyler
- Friends of BH Park (BIA / 519) - Tara pursuing invitations to an inaugural Friends meeting; will be independent of other organizations.
- BIA meeting report circulated
- Church Street Redesign – July 13 BIA membership information meeting (plan 50% finalized); other stakeholder meeting TBA;

public pop-up on August 7 at Barbara Hall Park; draft will go to BIA Board in the fall; followed by a full community consultation; finally goes to BIA AGM in December.

- Local Branding of street signs – CWNA has been asked to provide a design for local street signs. The Placemaking Committee recommends a competition open to LGBTQ2S / BIPOC community with a prize of \$500. Tyler Johnson is getting a count of the number of signs to be upgraded and a cost estimate for the change; if that is approved CWNA can proceed with a design competition.
- Meet Your Neighbours – should we do anything this year?

2.2 Governance - Don

- Report out June meeting - Rules of Order, Governance Mandate – *postponed to August meeting*

2.3 Communications & Membership - Trevor

- Trevor not present

2.4 Safety – Tara / Don

- Recent Community Safety report out
 - BIA presented on animation in Barbara Hall Park
 - discussion of police arrest procedure in BHP
 - crime report for last month; assaults, parole violations
 - meeting to be held regarding informed consent from street involved persons under mental duress
 - clearing of park encampments: a highly complex situation with no real solution until underlying causes are addressed.
 - Committee not meeting in August
 - subcommittee organization to recommence in the fall
 - Tara brought up the time of the meetings, which is during the workday, making it difficult for volunteers to attend. Other Safety Networks do meet in the evenings.

2.5 CCC LGBTQ2S+ - Connie

- Report out from July 9th meeting
 - discussion of recommendations and roll out of policies on treatment of trans people by the TPS
 - Connie asked about getting the full support of the Police Association (Union) on above policies, given defensive stances sometime taken in cases of internal sexual and racial discrimination / harassment
 - Connie will ask if minutes can be shared with CWNA Board and beyond

2.6 KWT Meeting

- Report out from June 17
 - 66 Wellesley LPAT victory discussed

4 Recap of Actions & Upcoming Events

Upcoming

- AGM 2021: need to start planning
- One Properties meeting 3 August 11am
- CWNA meeting August 14th 10am
- KWT August 17th 10am

Actions:

Paul and Peter: start work on Yonge Street walking committee

Tara / Connie: follow up with arts organizations to see if they are interested in old Slack Alice space (ONE Properties) and bring to table on Aug. 3.