

# ERLTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEETING AGENDA

Date: Tuesday June 13, 2023

Location: MNP Community & Sports Centre – Riverview Room

Meeting Start Time: 7:07 PM

## 1. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES (April 11 & May 16, 2023) AND AGENDA

No objections or changes to April or May minutes – Approved.

## 2. NEW BUSINESS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

### a. Stampede Parking Fundraiser

Due to deadline for response to City of Calgary, the board made the decision to proceed with parking. Heesung has volunteered to lead the project and will post a volunteer signup sheet on Google forms. There are sixty time slots available to fill 3 shifts/ day with 2 volunteers each shift. Shrine reported on how the project was managed in previous years, emphasizing the necessity of 2 volunteers per shift.

Discussion regarding appropriate rate to charge per vehicle (decision to charge a flat rate regardless of time of day) and plan to allocate proceeds to general revenue and the garden based on the number of gardeners fill volunteer shifts.

Discussion regarding (1) the need for clear signage directing drivers to the lot, and (2) for signage to make clear that parking is at the owner's risk and that ECA is not responsible for any damage, lost/stolen vehicles, etc., as required by our insurer.

**Motion:** To proceed with the Stampede Parking Fundraiser and to strike a subcommittee (led by Heesung, supported by Dylan) to manage organization and all other aspects of the fundraiser.

Motion passed unanimously.

Sarah recommended that the notice to volunteers make clear that this is the ECA's only fundraising opportunity as we do not have a casino night and the parking lot site is going to be developed in the near term.

If you are interested in volunteering for the fundraiser, please contact [erltonpresident@gmail.com](mailto:erltonpresident@gmail.com) or [erltonplanningchair@gmail.com](mailto:erltonplanningchair@gmail.com)

### b. Residential Parking Permit Program

10 City Councillors have identified their support for a notice of motion to rescind most aspects of the residential parking permit program (single family, duplex, townhomes, etc.). Our Councillor is not one of them. Note that this motion does not change the market parking program for condos/large multi-family buildings.

**Motion:** To send a letter to Councillor Courtney Walcott identifying ECA's objection to the market parking program.

Motion passed.

Letter to identify concerns including unequal application across the city; unequal application across different types of residents/residences; disincentivizes people from living in Erlton and in the inner city generally. Dylan will review the letter Dave previously sent on this matter to ensure consistency.

### c. Proposed Future Garden Site

Judy met with City representatives the afternoon of June 17 to discuss the future garden site. There are a number of steps required to make the future garden site a reality including: engaging landscape architects, grant applications, City lease, obtaining evidence of >70% community support, etc. Judy will be working toward getting everything organized as soon as possible, but it is unlikely that they will be completed in time for the next growing season. In Sarah's experience, the process typically takes 1.5-2 years.

Some information about the City lease pursuant to which the garden site land will be secured: Lease term is 15 years. Lease terms/requirements are generally consistent with what the ECA already does in terms of preparing our financial statements and the terms of our lease with Anthem. Notably, having a lease with the City will make ECA eligible for a casino night so we could raise money more consistently going forward.

Sarah explained that there is a need for a motion evidencing that the ECA wants to apply for the lands before we can start this process. Passing this motion does not oblige the ECA to apply for the land.

**Motion:** To apply to the City to use a portion of the SW corner of Lindsay Park for the future ECA garden site lands, with the intent of entering into a lease with the City for those lands in the future.

Motion passed.

### d. Neighbour Day Celebration

Join us on Saturday June 17, 2023 from 5-9pm at Erlton Park (2499 Erlton Street SW).

We are approved for a fire pit, there will be S'mores, buskers, a food truck, and lawn games. Mayor Gondek and Councillor Walcott have expressed interest in attending.

If you are interested in volunteering with event planning and/or on the day of the event, please email [ErltonSocial@gmail.com](mailto:ErltonSocial@gmail.com). We need help with: building s'mores packs, sidewalk chalk advertising; posting event posters around the community; connecting with MNP Center and the businesses at 25 Ave/Mcleod to participate and/or to lend tents or folding chairs; collecting and disposing of garbage.

A big thanks to the organizers – its going to be a great event!

## 4. REPORTS

- **President's Report:** Dylan Rayburn
  - President, Planning Chair and Cemetery Sub-Committee Chair met with City planners to start discussions regarding the West Elbow Local Area Plan. Specific issues regarding the cemetery were raised, and other more general issues were discussed. Local Area Plan development is a very long process; ECA will continue to be involved as things progress.
  - President met with representatives from other community associations covered by the West Elbow Local Area Plan to discuss collaboration. We do not want to be in a position where communities are pitted against each other (e.g., developing in certain areas over others)
- **Vice President's Report:** Vacant
- **Treasurer's Report:** Debra Smith
  - Have yet to review garden financials, but things are looking good.
  - We'll also follow-up with Anthem after Stampede to see if we can get another donation.
  - Garden insurance is paid, and parking insurance will be paid.

- **Secretary Report:** Nicole Bakker
  - No updates.
- **Planning and Development Chair Report:** Heesung Kim
  - Closing offer on sale of Erlton School was April 2023. The City of Calgary will make decision on successful party in August, and we expect to have the information in September. The City has not released any information and haven't responded to our request for updates.
- **Membership Report:** Nicole Bakker
  - Successful established partnership with Reader's Garden Café! Show your membership card or membership confirmation email to receive 10% off beverages.
- **Traffic Report:** Dave Greszczyszyn
  - Meeting with Calgary Parking Authority for options to restrict traffic flow in Erlton. Advised to send letter to Calgary Parking Authority for short term solution.
  - The City of Calgary to review new regulations for residential parking fees because of negative feedback from residents, this program applies to single, duplex and townhomes. The proposed Market Permit program is still in effect and applies to Inner city apartments more than 4 stories.
  - As noted in "new business" above, ECA to send letter to Courtney Walcott requesting multi-level response to the Market Permit Program.
- **Parks Report:** Jessica Wiseman
  - Nothing to report.
- **Communications Report:** Lorraine Mounkes
  - We will be adding a volunteer recognition section to the ECA Newsletter to acknowledge our community volunteers.
- **Social Committee Report:** Susan Armstrong
  - Jessica provided update on plans for Neighbour Day event on June 17th at Erlton Park from 5:00 to 9:00 pm. We have received the required permits from the City for the event.
  - Susan provided update of meeting with Lindsay Park Community Association member to work together for future social events.
- **Planning and Development: Cemetery Sub-Committee:** Shirine Lund
  - June 1st meeting held with the City of Calgary planners who have been assigned to the West Elbow Local Area Program (LAP). Shirine discussed the annexation of a City owned parcel of land next to St. Mary's Cemetery containing an additional 80 burial plots and the demolition of the 32, 30th Ave. house for future burial sites. Details of the 2021 Chevra Kadisha letter to the ECA were discussed as the ECA is requesting the letter to be a guiding principle for the LCA and future development plans for Erlton.

The next ECA meeting will be on September 12, 2023.

Meeting End Time: 8:50 PM