

ERLTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, April 9th 2024

Location: MNP Community and Sports Centre – Riverview Room

Start time: 7:12 PM

1. **APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES (March 12th 2024) AND AGENDA.**

Additions to Agenda Item 3: MNP Centre Expansion Presentation and Community Resource Officer.

Agenda approved with additions.

March 12th Minutes approved as circulated.

MNP CENTRE EXPANSION PRESENTATION

Mr. Jeff Booke presented an overview of the expansion work planned for this summer. The project is fully funded and has the support of City. Its main goals are to create additional water leisure facilities, develop gathering places and modernize the main level. Some features have been scaled back following concerns from Erlton residents.

Parking, access and mobility issues are still being discussed and MNP Centre is working with the City to design amenities minimizing impacts on the community. It was decided to hold a secondary virtual meeting to discuss parking.

NEW COMMUNITY RESOURCE OFFICER

Officer Simon Staples will start the new position in June. He will be part of the District Street Engagement Team (DSET) which includes the Calgary Police Services and health professionals. The team will focus on helping Calgary's vulnerable populations. Officer Staples will also meet with district analysts to evaluate local trends arising from crime-related statistics. Whenever possible, he will attend ECA'S meetings. Lunch and Learn will be held in the community and information about DSET has been provided to ECA for membership-wide distribution.

2. **NEW BUSINESS AND UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Optional Amenity Agreement
 - ❖ The City's Optional Amenity Agreement (OAA) for the Fountain Mural Project in Lindsay Park was modified by ECA'S Treasurer Debra Smith to accurately reflect the project. Sarah Papineau, Neighbourhood Partnership Coordinator, agreed with the changes. The artist Larissa Schuler will be contacted to confirm that she has the adequate insurance coverage and that the ECA is listed as additional insured on her policy.
- Multi-Community Letter Regarding Blanket Upzoning
 - ❖ ECA was approached to sign the letter circulated amongst Calgary's community associations. Since Erlton is already zoned for higher density, the blanket upzoning would not generate significant changes for the community. It was consensus to write a letter stating that the ECA is in agreement with the opposition to blanket rezoning but signing the

Multi Community Letter Regarding Blanket Upzoning would not carry much weight since upzoning would not result in major changes for Erlton.

- Motion by Debra Smith/Judy Borsato to write a letter stating ECA is in agreement with the content of letter but will not sign on because Erlton is already zoned for higher density.
-All in favour, motion carried.

3. REPORTS:

- **President's Report:** Dylan Rayburn
Dylan reported that ECA's website costs include \$240 for hosting and \$28 for domain.
- **Vice President's Report:** Mona Hayes
Mona reported via email that she has not found additional vendors for the Erlton Farmstand but will be visiting outdoor City's market and will promote Erlton's.
- **Treasurer Report:** Debra Smith
No financial report, Debra will continue to work with ECA'S insurers and the City for the policy needed for the Fountain Mural Project.
- **Acting Secretary Report:** Maryse Maurice
No report.
- **Traffic Report:** Dave Greszczyszyn
Dave reported via email that there were no complaints about the bridge work and that April is speed awareness month.
- **Parks Report:** Judy Borsato
Judy received the Conceptual Drawing Proposed Community Garden and Meeting Space and presented to the board. Ward 8 Councillor has offered to provide a Letter of Support for the project, which is often needed for funding applications. She is meeting with City Parks on Wednesday April 10th to narrow down the exact future garden location southwest of MNP main entrance. The group will also look at Erlton Park, a candidate for beautification.

Judy participated in an Activate YYC placemaking workshop that focused on creating spaces for people to gather.

The Community Garden official opening date is May 4th. A notice has been sent to last year gardeners and they were given until April 14th to select plots for this year. She has the product necessary to fix the water tank and will have help to repair the tank before it is needed.
- **Planning and Development Chair Report:** Heesung Kim
The addition to MNP Centre was discussed following the presentation by Mr. Jeff Booke.

Heesung reported that no feedback has been received so far regarding DP2024-02020 at 42, 34 Avenue SW, the proposed semi-detached dwelling (2 buildings) with 4 secondary suites and garage. Residents have until April 26th to respond.

- **Membership Report:** Nicole Bakker
No report.
- **Communications Report:** Lorraine Mounkes
Lorraine provided an update on the Recycling Electronics Fundraiser. She confirmed that the collection will take place Saturday April 27th from 9:30-2:00pm at the Erlton Community Garden. The electronics collection event has been promoted through the ECA Newsletter and local posters. Lorraine estimated that revenue may be around \$500. All logistics regarding the collection are being handled by the recycling company, ECA is providing location and promotion.
- **Social Media Officer:** Jessica Wiseman
No report.
- **Social Committee Report:** Susan Armstrong
Despite more promotion, the March Bonfire event was poorly attended, perhaps because of the wintry weather. According to the Social Committee, it is not sure it's worthwhile to hold this event moving forward.

There are challenges finding food trucks for Neighbour Day as many require guaranteed minimum sale amount or cash deposit. The Social Committee will apply to the Ward Event Community Fund for the event. Any request for ECA'S financial support to fund 2024 Neighbour Day budget needs to be outlined on future meeting agenda. The agenda item is to include amount requested.

4. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT : Cemetery Sub-Committee – Shirine Lund
No report.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP COORDINATOR: Sarah Papineau

Sarah will attend the meeting with City Parks staff April 10th in Lindsay and Erlton Parks.

Next meeting Tuesday May 14th, 2024.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:04 PM