

Citizens' Advisory Panel

Date: Tuesday, August 23, 2011
Time: 7:30 to 9:00 AM
Place: Victoria City Hall – Committee Room 1

MEETING NOTES

Attendance

Members: Don Prittie, David Cubberley, Sid Chow, Andrew Turner, Travis Lee, Iain Russell, Richard Linzey and Margaret Lucas
Staff: Gail Stephens (Chair), Kevin Greig, Katie Josephson, Mike Lai, Dwayne Kalynchuk, Brian Sikstrom, Sue Welke, Chaz Whipp, Bridget Frewer
Sherri Andrews (recording secretary)
Guest: Joost Meyboom

1. Agenda and Call to Order

Gail Stephens welcomed the members and called the meeting to order at 7:30 am. The order of the Agenda was modified and adopted with no additions.

Round table introductions were made for the benefit of Joost Meyboom of MMM Consulting.

2. Overview of Project

Mike Lai provided a brief overview of some of the aspects that were considered when forming some of the bridge design decisions that have been conceived to date, such as: historic value, view points, accessible multi-use trail, landscaping and others.

The meeting was then turned over to Joost Meyboom who took the group through a powerpoint presentation developed by Sharpe & Diamond, the landscape architects.

The group agreed to reconvene in three weeks time when the proposed amendments to the landscaping design will have been incorporated into the presentation for a re-viewing. Particular attention was paid to increased safety and streamlined flow of traffic for cyclists and pedestrians as well as best use of public/green spaces and their impact on surrounding areas. Suggestions were also made that would blend some of the aspects of historic old town into the proposed public/gathering spaces.

3. Public Engagement

Katie Josephson briefed the group on the public engagement piece that will see quarterly updates to Council as well as opportunities for the public to engage with staff who are directly involved with building the bridge.

4. Public versus Non-Public Meetings

Gail Stephens noted that it has been suggested that the City Manager's Citizens Advisory Panel – Johnson Street Bridge should consider becoming a public advisory committee.

A discussion ensued and it was agreed to retain the status quo.

5. Other Business

Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held on June 28, 2011

Margaret Lucas moved that the Minutes of the Meeting held on June 28, 2011 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

Sherri Andrews will have these Minutes posted to the City's internet site.

7. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 a.m.