

# City of New Westminster McBride-Sapperton Residents' Association

## **Special Meeting Minutes**

**Location:** Knox Presbyterian Church

**Date of Meeting:** Thursday, April, 2009 7:00PM

In attendance: 18 including MSRA Directors and Councilor Betty

McIntosh

#### 1. 225 North Road Proposed development in Coquitlam Don Bradley

- James Hogan Associates. Role is public stakeholder communication
- Civitas Urban design- Dan
- Feb. 9, 2009 OCP went before Coquitlam. Change from industrial to mixed use residential. Council endorsed a Council to Council meeting to discuss emergency access and pedestrian access to Braid Skytrain.
- Meeting Scheduled for April 9, 2009
- Is still in the early stages. OCP has to be decided upon with
- Silver LEED is achievable. Property owner is committed to sustainable development.
- 27 acre property. Once a gravel quarry. WKR inc acquired property and is mostly warehouse space. Less than 50 jobs currently.
- Would mitigate any potential damage to salmon bearing stream. Would clean up site.
- Would facilitate a connection to Braid skytrain
- 27 acre site. Approximately 2000 units/ 3800 people. Will be retail component. 20,000 feet light industrial. Approximately 200 would be school aged kids.
- Have done traffic analysis of area. Double left turning lanes and other proposed changes already in the works from the City of Coquitlam would mitigate traffic problems
- Would bring approximately 600 jobs to area.

#### Residents Concerns

- Do not believe that this is a benefit to New West. We get all the traffic and use of service without any benefits. DB-Extending an invitation to tour site.
- Coquitlam has not had a history of being a considerate neighbour to New Westminster. While Coquitlam is mitigating the traffic New West will have to do more to mitigate New West traffic. DB- traffic would be redesigned along the whole area. Will make traffic reports available.
- Coquitlam sued the City of New West to open up the emergency access to the Braid Bailey Bridge. There is a trust issue.
- Policing and Fire issues. Will be easier for Fire & Police and ambulance to attend.
- Not in favour of adding extra capacity to the Braid & E. Columbia due to the volume that is already there. The neighbourhood is looking to get rid of the trucks off of E. Columbia & 8<sup>th</sup> Ave.

### 2. Property Variance Sidewalk Repair/Renovations along E. Columbia: Lessons to be Learned from 12<sup>th</sup> Street Mary Wilson

- Worked with 12<sup>th</sup> St. Sidewalks
- One year ago met with Joanne to get sidewalks done.
- Need to start now if you want to do anything with your sidewalks
- July 2008- proposal taken to council. Council endorsed public art incorporated into the sidewalks.
- In 2 weeks the project will start. In July we will have our art ready to go into the sidewalks
- What type of art? Wandered around the lower mainland leaf indentations, tile patterns, mosaics etc. There are many other options.
- 2 or 2 3ft sq mosaics will be done. 8 granite slabs engraved with poems. Granite slab street signs.
- Got a grant from the River Market. City is paying for the granite street signs.

## 3. Garage Bylaw Mark

- Concerned about garage size limits.
- There is a 12 ft high restriction.
- Limits what you can put in a garage

- Changes were generated by complaints.
- Seems like restrictions for the sake of restrictions.
- Coming before City Council