

Minutes: CRBA Public Meeting Feb 7, 2012
Dominion on Queen – 7:00pm

Approval of Minutes:

Amendments: add JG to members present at last board meeting
Minutes of January 10, 2012 public meeting approved as amended.

Board Members Present: Larry Webb (LW), Jonathan Goode (JG), Julie van Der Lugt (JV), Donna Keravica (DK), Philip Stoop (PS), Adam Holmes (AH), Marien Breen (MB)
Regrets: Laurence Lui (LL)

Speakers: Jonathan Goode and Larry Webb on Development in Corktown

- the King East Condo, Brad Lamb Dev. advertises occupancy in March 2012 but not possible.
- Studio B (old Richies location) is a high end furniture store, business is slow but summer sales are high
- Ital interiors-reached grade a few weeks ago, looks good, contacted us about approval of masonry colours and apparently listened to us
- 3 storey building with one or 2 floors underground, not sure of completion date, possibly late summer
- body blitz spa will be built out a bit with a glass atrium, possible spring 2012
- new intersection at Queen/King/Bayview and River area to be complete around spring 2012
- landscaping will look nice, orphan spaces will have something done in them (i.e. greening, plaque, etc.)
- Lung Association building moving out but will probably stay commercial
- **West Don Lands-** final close in Jan, \$514 million dollar contract with Dundee/Kilmer development among others (joint venture)
 - hoping to get around \$65 million back from future operators
 - it's on time and on budget for the 2015 Pan Am games (meeting held 2 weeks ago)
 - planning on George Brown College residence and YMCA with a pool on the grounds as well as the park
 - many blocks aren't being built right away and renovations will take place to the housing units after the athletes leave, around 10,000 so largest sporting event in Canada
 - a combination of affordable housing, market value housing and George Brown residences
 - the park will not be accessible until 2013
 - LEED gold standards, no alternative energy but it wasn't required
 - a staging report will be at the March meeting
 - Hydro at corner of Sumach and King Streets for 3-4 months
 - TCHC building under construction near St. Lawrence St by summer of 2012, west of River City
 - news of new retail in near future
 - LW said the city will do a community improvement plan study - the Ryerson student report was interesting and relevant but needs updating over the next 12 months
 - underpass park will open this summer
- 47 Eastern- owner put in an application to add to the building, they will have to go back to the city with their revised plan for approval (possibly up to 6 storeys)
- King East centre is outside Corktown but adding to the end of the old Sun building up to 20 storeys

- Arthur spoke about orphan green space (dog park) being still up for sale, we will try to lobby to keep the dog park
- Regent Park Construction Liaison Committee to include neighbours to south - LW will follow up to find why it's taking so long to establish
- Queen/River Street Secondary Plan - N. of Queen and S of Dundas - planner on leave, will give the community news in March or April, final report next May or June
- Streetcar Developments – 510 King to be occupied this summer - Streetcar preparing options for fencing details to present to neighbours next week and talk about parking
 - 510, 569, 549 King store leasing – awaiting developer report
 - Trinity Lofts occupancy this fall? - Trinity and Eastern
- 60 Mill Street building proposal (Distillery old rack house) NE corner of Trinity and Mill Streets – controversial application for boutique hotel will be subject of much debate
 - Proposed residences and hotel use - 32 or 33 storey tower - looks like a jenga game
- River City - S of King and W of Don River - 4 or 5 phases near Richmond Street overpass (Occupancy Dec 2012-Jan 2013)
- After being told we did not get a seat on the Port Lands Stakeholders Advisory Committee, we have just heard that the decision is reversed and we will attend from Meeting #2 on
- future development to-beautify Queen street parking lot at Dominion Square, Allied properties own building, visual interest needed, greening, art, etc.
 - -looking for fundraising for greening of parking lot, drawings, etc.
- Oldest and Newest Corktown mural looks good on the Humane Society wall
- In the Future - looking to initiate better neighbourhood health-care services

Newsletter- the number of mailboxes has gone up by 14% reflecting growth in the area

Membership- many new members have joined

Election of new Board of Directors- all on list voted for and acclaimed as follows:

Adam Holmes

Alex Bartlett

Arthur Sinclair

Donna Keravica

Jonathan Goode

Julie vanderLugt

Larry Webb

Laurence Lui

Marien Breen

Mike Kapil

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Next meeting on March 6th at DOQ back room