

Minutes – CRBA Public Meeting

April 7, 2015 – 7 to 9 p.m.

Little Trinity Church– 425 King East

Meeting Start Time: 7 p.m.

Adjourned At: 9 p.m.

Attendees

CRBA Board Present:

Alim Rhemtulla (AR), Brian Palic (BP), Matt Elliott (ME), Michele Cummings (MC), Peter Coish (PC), Sandra Iskandar (SI), Socrates Apllans (SA), Tadeo Sanchez (TS), Thomas Junek (TJ)

CRBA Board Regrets:

Public Attendance:

Approximately 40

Minutes

Opening Remarks

- SI welcomed everyone to the meeting and attendees provided brief introductions. A sign-up sheet was circulated for attendees.

New Business Introduction: Roselle Desserts

- Stephanie Duong and Bruce Lee provided an introduction to their newly-open pastry shop at 362 King Street East. They are former George Brown College students who have both worked in Michelin-starred restaurants around the world.
- Stephanie and Bruce provided some free samples to attendees, alongside coffee from Tandem Coffee.

New Business Introduction: Health Shield Pharmacy

- Hanna Hanna from Health Shield Pharmacy provided an introduction to their new pharmacy at 589 King Street East. They will provide prescriptions and pharmacy services, and look forward to serving the community.
- Their grand opening will be held April 13.

Presentation: Thinc Design, Corktown Parks Improvement

- Representatives from Thinc Design provided an update on their efforts to redesign and revitalize Corktown parks.

- In addition to previously-shown designs for Bright Street playground and the Power Street Dog Park, potential designs were shown for Sackville Park, Sumach-Shuter Park, Percy Park and Little Trinity Park.
- Designs provide for a variety of uses while taking into account neighbourhood context and need.
- A consultation session with a further opportunity to provide feedback will be held on April 20 at St. Paul's Basilica. Details will be posted at corktown.ca.
- See attached presentation.

Presentation: St. Lawrence Library

- Dulce Gomes, head librarian at the St. Lawrence Library (171 Front Street East) provided an overview of library services available to Corktowners, including eBook lending, electronic magazines, movie and music streaming, and more.
- The library has been closed for several weeks due to flooding but has just recently re-opened.
- A full roster of events happens each month, with book clubs, author readings and presentations on a variety of topics.

Introduction: Good Shepherd Centre


- Adrienne Urquhart, Director of Fundraising & Public Relations, and Sunil Isaac, Community Liaison, from the Good Shepherd Centre (412 Queen East) introduced themselves and provided an overview of the Good Shepherd's work in the community.
- Sunil has been hired to serve as a community liaison and will be attending all future CRBA meetings to hear resident comments and concerns about the Good Shepherd.
- Good Shepherd serves 1,300 meals a day and provides 91 beds for overnight stays.
- Volunteer opportunities are available. Donations needed included toiletries and clothing – can be dropped off at the Centre.
- Good Shepherd is committed to working with the community and will share details about events and programs with the CRBA for the corktown.ca website.

Community Events

- Thomas Junek provided a report from the St. Patrick's Day fundraiser held in March at Odin Café + Bar. Well-attended with great neighbourhood energy. About \$500 was raised for the CRBA.
- Friends of Corktown Common is hosting a parks clean-up on April 18 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Meet at Odin.
- The Cherry Street YMCA is looking for volunteers for their Green Roof build. You can sign up on their website. They also continue to offer Free Hatha Yoga at the Canary District Presentation Centre on Wednesday nights. Remember to RSVP.

Next Meeting

Date	Event Info
May 5	CRBA Public Meeting — 7-9 p.m., Little Trinity Church Annex (403 King St East.)

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