

Record of Discussion

South Campus Consultation Group
Tuesday, November 19, 2019
7:00pm to 8:30pm
Agri-Food Discovery Place

FINAL

University of Alberta: Anastasia Lim, Emily Ball and Ben Louie

Community members: Stephen Dobson (Lendrum), Paul Greenwood (Lansdowne), Lindsay Smith (Grandview), Bernie Schwartz (Lansdowne), Bob Kamp (Belgravia), Peggy Dodson (Malmo).

Commenced: 7:00pm

The minutes from the June 24, 2019 meeting were accepted as presented.

Update on priority projects

Michener Park (MP) Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) Amendment open house - presentation of a. draft board materials – E. Ball informed the group that the UA would be holding a community wide open house on November 27, 2019. The open house topic was an amendment to the 2002 LRDP and the amendment is removing Michener Park from the LRDP. E. Ball provided a PowerPoint presentation to the group showing them the draft board material proposed for the November 27, 2019 open house. E. Ball asked the group for feedback on the board material in particular was the information useful and was there anything missing. B. Schwartz commented that the open house would not be a good use of community member's time because it did not address or answer any questions about what the plan was for MP once students vacate the site on July 31, 2020. E. Ball responded that the amendment was not about the future of the site rather it is an opportunity for community to understand that the UA was removing MP from its LRDP and that once that was done the site would go to the UAPTI and fall under the City of Edmonton (COE) Bylaws for development and consultation for future development. She added that the open house is not something the UA can or cannot do and that the open house is legislated by the Government of Alberta (GOA). E. Ball commented that she understands that the open house does not address any plans for future development but that would come later by the UAPTI. P Greenwood asked what the plan was for the open house and E. Ball walked the group through the process. P. Richards commented that members of UAPTI should be at the open house to answer questions and E. Ball responded that she would ask if a member of the Board of UAPTI could attend. L. Smith asked if the Trust was up and running. S. Dobson answered that yes it was up but not running and awaiting land to be transferred from the UA. B. Schwartz asked what the response would be from the UA when people come to the open house and ask about what buildings we are planning for the site. E. Ball responded that she would explain the purpose of the open house. S. Dobson commented that the SCNC should proactively engage with the UAPTI to build trust. P. Greenwood commented that the UAPTI would have some idea of what it is planning for the site and that they should be at the open house to answer questions. E. Ball responded that she would ask if someone from the UAPTI could attend the November 27, 2019 open house. S. Dobson asked if the UAPTI had any money to begin the process of hiring a CEO because he did not want to see the UA unload the site to a random developer. He also asked if the UAPTI was going to see the land. P. Richards commented that safety and security would be a significant issue for the community of Malmo and asked if someone from the COE would be at the open house. E. Ball commented that the COE Office of the City Manager was sent an invitation to attend and the Councillor for the area was also invited. B. Schwartz added that he felt the legislated consultation process



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for this particular open house was a waste of time and that community will come with many questions and receive very few answers. S. Dobson asked if the current buildings will be torn down and E. Ball indicated that a plan to demolish is being discussed at the UA.

- **b. CUBE update** B. Louie informed the group that the CUBE building is complete and power will be hooked up in a month or by Christmas. The group did not have any questions.
- c. South Campus infrastructure projects B. Louise provided the group with a slide presentation outlining some of the infrastructure projects that were recently completed such as the crosswalks around the Saville Centre and the Foote Field parking lot. P. Richards asked about any plans for better cycling routes. B. Louie told the group that the first priority was the last set of projects to further enhance access for emergency vehicles and pedestrians. He anticipates that addressing issues related to bicycle routes will be the next priority.
- **d. South Campus Community Ice Arena** B. Louis told the group that there were no updates to report.
- **e. Feed mill update** B. Louie informed the group that the Facilities and Operations group has developed three options for the Faculty of ALES to review regarding the future of the feed mill. The Faculty of ALES is reviewing the options and no decisions have been made at this time.
- f. UAPTI A. Lim informed the group that there are no updates on the UAPTI. The OIC to allow the UA to transfer land to the UAPTI has not been approved. S. Dobson asked if the UA would help the community when it deals with the UAPTI. A. Lim told the group that we would do our best and that the UA is also a stakeholder when it comes to any consultation that the UAPTI conducts.
- **Foote Field dome** B. Louie told the group that the Foote Field dome was up for the winter season and would be taken down sometime in May.
- h. Storm water management pond B. Louie told the group that the UA would not be proceeding with building soccer fields on the northern part of the storm water management area. L. Smith indicated that it was a shame to lose the soccer fields from the GOA site. S. Dobson told the group that he believes the GOA has indicated that they intend to re-build the soccer fields sometime in 2020.
- i. MICF E. Ball informed the group that the MICF facility was in the process of being transferred to Alberta Health Services. She asked the group if they had any questions from the community about the MICF. The group had no questions. E. Ball reminded the group that if community does have questions about the MICF to direct the questions to her and she would respond.

Adjournment/Next steps – The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.