

23rd MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ‘DOWNTOWN SUDBURY’

Thursday, September 7, 2017, School of Architecture Board Room

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD HELD AT 4:00 P.M.

B. MCCULLAGH IN THE CHAIR.

PRESENT

S. Vincent, J. Browning, D. Brouse, A. Gilmore, A. Vardy, J. MacIntyre (LA: 5:15 p.m.)

ALSO PRESENT

M. Luoma Executive Director
T. Fortin Guest – Casino Free Sudbury

REGRETS

K. Maclsaac, R. Gregorini, A. Vardy

GUEST

Tom Fortin was present to provide an overview/update on current plans/actions specific to the ‘Casino Free Sudbury’ campaign. Members were reminded of the Member Survey conducted by Oraclepoll in 2012. Following discussion, it was agreed to schedule a special Member Information Session over the next month at which Mr. Fortin will make this presentation so that members may be aware of various findings and information specific to existing casinos, their impact on communities, etc.

PART ONE – CONSENT AGENDA

DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT - None declared.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

17-137 Browning-Vincent

THAT Item C-1, contained in the Consent Agenda, as duplicated and circulated, be hereby accepted.

CARRIED

C-1 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

17-138 Vincent-Browning

THAT the Board minutes of the 22nd Meeting (June 1, 2017) and the Special Meeting (June 20, 2017) of the Board of Directors, as duplicated and circulated, be hereby accepted.

CARRIED

PART TWO – REGULAR AGENDA

R-1 CHAIR’S REPORT

The following update was provided:

Parking

*recent meeting held with Paul Lefebvre to discuss merits of (and importance of) the development of a pedestrian level crossing linking the Energy Court parking lot to Elgin St. (as outlined in the Downtown Master Plan and which has increased in importance with the development of Place des Arts and subsequent loss of municipal parking)

*further to that discussion, Mr. Lefebvre offered to assist in co-ordinating a meeting with CP to discuss this

*this meeting has been scheduled for September 14th (and will include City staff)

*it was also noted that J. Arnold has prepared visuals outlining the proposal, including the potential expansion of the existing Energy Court parking lot

*Prime Real Estate continues to work with the School of Architecture to develop a concept for a mixed-use development (parking, residential) on their two downtown properties – including development of a business case and renderings.

R-2 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

17-139 Vincent-Browning

THAT the Executive Director's Report (Summer 2017), as duplicated and circulated, be hereby accepted.

CARRIED

R-3 PROJECT UPDATES

Large Projects

The next step in the process for the Synergy Centre and the Library/Art Gallery projects, as directed by Council in June, will go before City Council September 12th. At this point, the timeline as specified in June is on track for a full report back to Council in November re site, business plan at which time it is expected that Council will determine any 2018 budget allocation.

R-4 OTHER/NEW BUSINESS

Downtown 'appearance'

J. MacIntyre brought forward concerns that have been raised over the summer specific to the cleanliness/appearance of the downtown – both physical and safety (Police presence, aggressive panhandling). He further noted that this was an area identified within the Expressing Vibrancy project. Further to discussion, it was agreed that a work group be established to prepare a proposal outlining various options, partnerships, etc. to deal with this concern including the many and various 'elements' that contribute to both the positive and negative 'appearance' of downtown. D. Brouse and J. Browning, together with the ED, to work on this and report back to the Board.

NEXT MEETING(S)

Member Information Session

tbc

Regular Board

Thursday, October 5th ... 4pm

ADJOURNMENT

17-140 Vincent-Browning

THAT we do now adjourn. Time: 6:15 p.m.

CARRIED

Chair

Executive Director