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Sibelius Square Working Group (SSWG) Meeting

Wednesday 2 May 2007

RSGC

Present: Ginny Brett, Tom Friedland, Fred Freedman, Patrick Kennedy, Julie Markle, Gillian Morton, Kristina Reinders, Chris Ronson

Updates

1. We want the park to be as green as possible this summer. Chris will ask Mark Emsley to plough the Western playing field, as this seemed to work well last year. If this is not possible, the SSWG will fill in the larger holes with compost.
2. Fred will show the community gardening team how to work the watering system within the next couple of weeks.
3. Discussion of whether to test a low barricade on the Brunswick perimeter of the playing field. Chris will discuss this idea with Sandy and get back to us.
4. The playground survey project has been completed (121 respondents) but data not yet analysed. The results will be tabulated by May 7. Julie will get the final wording on the playground question for the community meeting to Gillian ASAP.
5. Discussion of whether to show images of playgrounds/equipment at community meeting (i.e. "sculptural", "natural", "seasonal"), as well as showing how fundraising concepts can be visually incorporated. Material will be posted on the website; depending on survey results, images may be useful to illustrate how playground might be innovative or traditional.
6. When the agenda is posted on the website, Patrick will include how people unable to attend (or too shy to participate during the meeting) can contact us and let us know their opinions.
7. Agenda for community meeting will stand as outlined in previous minutes, with minor adjustments to be made by Patrick, Gillian and Kristina (who volunteered to compose agenda).
8. Other changes to website before meeting: more pictures needed. Discussion of whether to include Kristina's proposal for revisions to the "modified status quo" option. Tom and Kristina will consult with each other and give a revised version to Patrick, who will take this version into consideration when making his remarks at the public meeting.
9. Note the decline in attendance of SSWG meeting, both standing members and community members. Discussion of membership responsibilities, getting people involved, and changing group membership. The City will be interested in monitoring group changes. This issue will be discussed further after the community meeting.
10. Materials for the meeting:

- Postering to be done by Ginny, Patrick, Gillian and Kristina
- Chris to provide 15 copies of the basic park plan
- Gillian and Ginny to do set up of registration tables, label break at rooms
- 250 colour coded agenda to be printed
- name tags for the working group members and facilitators to be designed by Julie
- markers for white boards; notepads/pens for recorders

Next meeting: Wednesday, 23 May 2007