

BTV Mall Development Agreement Public Advisory Committee (DAPAC)

Meeting #3 - Notes

Tuesday, 24 March 2015, 5:00-6:30pm

Fletcher Room

Fletcher Free Library

City Councilors: Jane Knodell & Karen Paul (via phone)

Planning Commissioners: Jennifer Wallace-Brodeur & Bruce Baker

Staff: David White, Planning; Ken Braverman, Kemar Bell, Peter Owens and Nathan Wildfire, CEDO

Public: Joe Speidel, A.J. LaRosa

1. Public Outreach Summary and Key Community Issues

- Staff provided overview
- Comments should highlight priorities of the community in addition to summary of what we've heard:
 - Range affordability
 - north-south connectivity
 - east-west connectivity
 - housing diversity - type and affordability
 - retail/activity diversity – type, local/national and affordability
 - street activation
 - public view of the water
 - greenspace - rooftop
 - parking management – cars and bikes, shared and integrated within broader community network/system
 - civic spaces
 - community spaces for rent
 - programming of civic and community spaces

2. Committee Role and Anticipated Process

- This is an evolving and iterative process. Staff prepared a process memo outlining role of the DAPAC and next steps.
- Committee's role also needs to involve helping to guide and inform staff throughout process to ensure that the final agreement is something that the Commission and Council will be able to support.
- There will need to be regular work sessions/touch-stones with both bodies as the process unfolds.
- Important to ask/understand why the developer has done something (or not) in a certain way so we can better understand true options and alternatives.

- May need a way to discuss proposal and respond in some form of a “dress rehearsal” prior to larger public event. Can this happen at April 9/10?
- Developer can’t assume that everything the Committee & staff offer and comments are always representative of the broader public.
- When is the best time to engage the technical team? Will be different for different skills.
- Ask Development Team to make a presentation on how they have (or why not) addressed each of the key issues we have presented to them. Let them decide the level of detail that is appropriate.

3. Proposed Development Agreement Outline/Framework

- Abe Farkas from EconNW will be at the next meeting to walk us through his experience in other places negotiating public private development agreements for large projects and how he sees the process unfolding in Burlington.

Next Meeting:

- **9 April**