

**ELBOW PARK RESIDENT'S ASSOCIATION**  
**800 34<sup>th</sup> Ave S.W.**  
**Calgary, Alberta**  
**T2T 2A3**

**June 15, 2004**

1. **President Barbara Mathies called the meeting to order at 7:30.**
2. **Motion to accept minutes from May 18, 2004 meeting**  
Made: Dave Mackie Passed  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Belinda McDowell
3. **75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, June 26<sup>th</sup> – B. Mathies**
  - EPRA information table will be set up
  - Block Watch information area will be available
  - Beautification Project information area will be set up
  - Volunteer sign-up sheet for EPRA committees and functions
4. **Storm Sewer – B. Mathies, B. Erskine, S. MacKay**

**Sandy MacKay:**

Meeting held at lunch today

Requesting that EPRA withdraw support for project due to:

- Cost is up from initial est of \$3.5m to \$7.5m
- Project does not enter Mt. Royal, can we avoid the construction as well?
- Would additional tanks eliminate need for pipe upgrade?
- Additional questions need to be addressed
- Only 2 houses have had flooding over the last 2 years
- Wastewater cannot guarantee overland or sewer flooding will not continue
- City was unaware of asbestos issue and housing structure instability
- Premier Way needs to have pipe upgraded
- Sanitary crossovers have not been addressed
- Homeowners have a lack confidence in the project
- Michael Chau (city) cannot guarantee there will not be any damage to houses during construction
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Party review looked at concept vs. actual project.
- Some beautification construction will need to be torn up to install pipe

## **Glencoe Storm Sewer cont'd**

### **Belinda McDowell, Monitoring Committee:**

- Committee believes the city has made changes as requested by homeowners
- Vibratory equipment has been eliminated from the project
- The past few years have been extraordinarily dry thereby extorting historical data on rain falls.
- Back Flow valves are not the answer as they may fail under high pressure.
- Crossover concerns will be addressed once the smoke testing is completed
- Project has been updated to address a 1 in 50 year storm versus 1 in 5 years.

### **Jane Virtue, resident 7<sup>th</sup> St. S.W.:**

- Difficult to ascertain validity of project given conflicting reports
- They have had backflow problems. Flooding of storm water is what is causing problems with the sanitary system.

### **Barry Erskine, Alderman:**

- Concerned about impact on Rideau / Roxboro communities
- Concerned about appearance of outfall structure
- 3<sup>rd</sup> party study has been passed by Council, 10 votes are needed to overturn decision
- Madeline King would need to bring a motion forward to Council
- Storage Tanks in South Calgary has allowed pipe size to be reduced
- Vibrations will be carefully monitored, housing concerns are valid
- 4 cross connections have been found in sanitary / sewer system, 2 in Mt. Royal and 2 in South Calgary
- The asbestos within the homes will be monitored by a hygienist
- Key information is lacking for EPRA and Alderman Erskine to make an educated decision on changing project status.
- Better communication from City Engineers on design of project is necessary to improve residential confidence

### **Barbara Mathies:**

- The EPRA has worked hard to protect all owners' needs.
- Madeline King will not withdraw support for project.
- Suggests a walk about with City engineers, Aldermen and concerned residents and EPRA members to review project.

### **Deborah Ambrose, David Mackie:**

- Concerned that not all options have been looked at by City Engineers which could effect the project scope
- All concerns need to be addressed in one document

June 16, 2004 mtg. Cont'd

## **Storm Sewer Cont'd:**

### **General Comments:**

- Does the EPRA have to necessary information and knowledge base to vote on the request to withdraw support for the project? Both the community and Council have already voted within a valid process, the problem lies with the lack of information and answers being received from the city.
- Alderman Erskine will organize a walk about to provide necessary information to residents and EPRA members.

### **Donna Cambell:**

- EPRA could give notice that residents have concerns that need to be addressed and answered before proceeding.

### **Summary**

- A walk about will be organized, EPRA board members will need to attend in order to vote on possible motion change project.
- More documentation is required from the City.
- Walk about should be between June 21 – 28<sup>th</sup>
- Barbara Mathies and Alderman Erskine will organize.

## **5. Traffic – David Mackie**

- Calming measures are going to LPT on June 16, 2004
- Most speeds are 15% lower since measures have been implemented.
- EPRA supports traffic circles and speed humps
- Traffic volumes are higher but the speed is down. Volume increase is less than 10%
- Alderman Erskine will make a motion to have his constituent polled via mail ballot on acceptance of traffic calming measures

## **6. Christ Church Proposed Expansion**

- Necessary to handicap facilitate church
- Physical plant needs to be upgraded
- Improve gathering space before and after services
- Music Program improvement
- Improved Pre-school access
- Inner Court covered walkway on West entrance
- Handicapped parking stalls will be the only paved portion of laneway
- Privacy is an issue for residents
- More work is needed on design following meeting between residents and church planning members
- EPRA would like to review plans before filing development permit request

7. **Treasurer Report –Deborah Ambrose**

- Money is available for Elbow Drive beautification, about \$58,000 allowing the project to continue while waiting for Casino cheque.
- Next Casino distribution will not be received until 2006 therefore we need to allow 2 years of ice revenue
- EPRA's contribution is being accelerated to meet City's demand
- \$50,000 would allow the EPRA more leeway

**Motion:**

**EPRA will put aside additional \$30,000 for Elbow Drive beautification; the 38th & 39<sup>th</sup> park will be delayed and interior bollards will be eliminated (covered through other funding) until casino revenue is received in 2006.**

**Made: D. Ambrose**

**2<sup>nd</sup>: B.Mathies**

**Passed**

- The Gazette has \$700 – 800 in outstanding advertising income. This delay is a concern.

8. **Clubhouse Rentals – Jane Hartford**

- Same as last month

9. **Vandalism – Deborah Ambrose**

- An intervention meeting has taken place with the culprits and their families
- Constable Higgens, Western High School liason office attended.
- 2 boys admitted but insisted other boys were involved. A letter of apology has been received; one parent has paid for 50% of the costs.
- The other boys parents did not attend the meeting had have not accepted responsibility for the child's actions. Constable Higgens is working with the boy and his father.
- Deborah Ambrose will confirm with Constable Higgens that all action should be taken against the boy who is not willing to accept responsibility.

Meeting Adjourned – 10:00 pm

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2004

7:30p.m.

