KIPLING ACRES August 2010 Redevelopment Update

Newsletter for Neighbours

Genthorn Backyard Tour

Recently, the architect, landscape architect and siteservices engineer were welcomed by a number of Genthorn neighbours to visit their backyards. The purpose of the visit was to obtain an improved perspective and to generate ideas and landscape options based on the input from neighbours. In addition, the site -services engineer talked to neighbours about their experience with flooding to get a better understanding of the issue as it is explored further. Thank you to the neighbours who were able to participate; it was a very helpful exercise.

Future Neighbour Meetings Genthorn Ave

- September 1 6:30pm
- October 6 6:30pm
- November 3 6:30pm
- December 1 6:30pm

Hinton Road

- September 22 6:30pm
- October 20 6:30pm
- November 17 6:30pm
- December 15 6:30pm

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Architect's Design Update

- After a meeting with West Acres Seniors Centre, architects began to explore the possibility of retaining the clubhouse on the site.
- It was recognized that removing the centre could impact negatively on the seniors' club membership and would remove a program that would benefit the future campus.
- In the updated design, a section the hub now extends towards the recreation centre. This section accommodates the Children's day care, and redesigned loading dock and ramp. It also creates a courtyard that could be utilized by several programs.
- The wing and room design was revised to allow construction to move through the ground floor of the building.
- This redesign allowed architects to shorten the wings and increase the set-back to Genthorn Avenue backyards to a total of 17m and 18.4m. (before redesign, set-back was 14.6m and 16.1m)
- A secondary access point to the site will be established on Kipling Ave, likely utilizing the existing entrance. This will also reduce traffic access from Hinton Road. A traffic study is in the process of being conducted.
- The arborist report has been completed with an inventory of all trees greater than 30cm, including their condition.
- The site-services engineer is exploring strategies to manage historic water issues causing flooding in some Genthorn backyards.





Important Actions: West Acres meeting, Neighbour meetings, Redesign

Construction

2011

2010 Design

2012 Occupancy