

F.G. GARDINER EXPRESSWAY



**Meeting Minutes
Construction Liaison Committee Meeting #9
Wednesday, December 13, 2017
2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

Oxford Properties Boardroom - RBC WaterPark Place, 10 Bay Street, Suite 810

Agenda and Discussion

The discussion captured is summarized below. Questions are noted with a “Q”, comments with “C”, answers with “A”, and action items with "Action." Answers were provided by Brian Buchanan, Marc Kramer and the staff of Waterfront Toronto, unless noted otherwise.

1. Welcome & Introductions

Meeting was chaired by Paul Martin, City of Toronto.

2. Review of November 8th meeting minutes and action items

1.	Request a sign for Waterclub Condominiums from Transportation Services.	The City does not provide signage pertaining to private property. The condominium can provide a sign but it must be placed on its property.
2.	Ask Transportation Services for sign placement rules on the roadways.	Signage pertaining to private property cannot be located on City property.

3. Review of Construction Schedule

Q: Will the remaining work associated with this project be completed in April, 2018?

A: In total, there is about three months of work left. This includes pouring asphalt and concrete, which we anticipate will be done in March. A lot of the landscaping will have to take place in May or June. The project team is leaving it to the Contractor to determine an appropriate start day for the remaining work, however we are aiming for it to be completed by the end of July.

Q: Will there be significant work happening on the south side of Harbour Street? If we start to put in our permanent signage for Waterpark Place's parking garage will we affect the work, or will it affect the signs placement?

A: There will be work happening on both the north and south side of Harbour Street in the new year. This includes: tree pits installation, paver placement, and sidewalk construction. If Waterpark Place is looking to have this done in January, we would have to talk about it with the Contractor beforehand.

4. Waterfront Toronto Presentation

Q: When is the public consultation for the new park?

A: We are planning to host it on January 22nd.

Q: Does engagement happen throughout the process?

A: Yes, both through design and until final construction.

Q: What are the odds the piers will be taken down?

A: A study was conducted to determine the structural stability of the piers, and subsequently how much it would cost to remove them. Given the design process we are undertaking, it is up to the designers who submit ideas to determine if the pillars will remain or be removed. We are open to either, but will not limit their inclusion or exclusion.

Q: There was some preliminary work done for Rees Street's new park. Is that work going to be informing the design of that space?

A: Yes, we have saved and documented all the comments we heard from the workshop and meeting we held.

C: We are pleased to hear that the request for quotation (RFQ) will include the comments of the public because we do not want those who will be using the park in the end to not have a say or be on board with what is being done.

C: For the new park at York Street, I would like to see the concrete go, and new seating, berms and art be included. It would be ideal if the space could be utilized 12 months a year. Oxford Properties has many tenants – this space would be prime for them to use no matter the weather.

A: We will make note of this.

Q: Is there a possibility this space will be available to permit out to the public in the future?

A: Parks, Forestry & Recreation (PF&R) usually allows the public to permit their outdoor spaces. However, depending on how PF&R interpretes what the use for this space will be, will then determine how it will be available to permit.

Q: Is Waterfront Toronto planning to have any other public meetings when the design for the short list of contenders happens? Or when someone is chosen, or after the contest is complete?

A: Yes, to present the design, and we will also simultaneously hold 4 workshops.

Q: Is there an email address or person the CLC can contact to ask questions?

A: You are welcome to email Juliet Mugabi.

Action: PCU to email CLC Waterfront Toronto contacts.

Q: Are there opportunities for sponsorship?

A: There have been organizations and companies that have reached out to us. The answer to this is let's talk about it. The City and Waterfront Toronto will then come together to consider it as there are policies around how and from whom we can accept donations.

Q: Are there any youth positions on the panel for judging designs?

A: There are not. The Design Review Panel does not have a youth section, but this is something we can take into account.

4. Other Business

Q: When are the fences around the former York-Bay-Yonge loop going to be removed?

A: This space has been promised to the Contractor for staging, and to hold all their material and equipment. Until the work is complete, they will occupy the space, and the fencing will remain up for safety. We hope that the fencing comes down next year when the remaining work is completed.

Q: When the construction is completed, and the fencing is removed, is there a possibility to get fencing/signage around the remaining pillars so people do not climb on them? If left open, it could become a space of liability for the City.

A: Fencing / signage was not in the short term plan for the remaining pillars. We may have to fence of the area in general until all the environmental tests come back. In effect, that will also limit access to the pillars.

Action: PF&R to inquire about signage / fencing around the pillars.

C: People climb the parking garage, and nothing would stop them from climbing these pillars.

5. Action Items

1.	PF&R to inquire about signage / fencing around the pillars.	Marc Kramer/ Brian to assist
2.	PCU to email CLC with Waterfront Toronto contacts.	Paul

6. Next Meeting Date, Location and Time

Final CLC Meeting: Wednesday, January 24th, 2017