

LAKE SHORE COMMUNITY UPDATE #2

Community Engagement Facilitators

We are Maria Crawford and Violetta Ilkiw from Barnes Management Group, and we are pleased to introduce ourselves to you as the Community Engagement Facilitators for the 2950-70 Lakeshore West Shelter Site. We come with backgrounds in community engagement, process facilitation and experience with shelters and City systems.

Engagement Roles

Our role in this early engagement is to meet with key stakeholders and community partners to gather feedback on key issues, ensure stakeholders are informed of the planned use of the site, understand their services, learn about local service needs and identify possibilities for collaboration and partnership.

We will issue regular community updates and post them to the project website. To sign up to receive regular updates for the 2950-70 Lakeshore Blvd West shelter site, to provide us with comments/feedback, or to share your questions, contact us:

Send us an email and ask to be added to the mailing list: clc.2950.70lakeshoreblvdwest@gmail.com

Call to leave a voicemail: (416) 800-2914 ext. 202

Recent update from Councillor Grimes

This early Community Engagement process is a little different as it is happening before the site purchase is closed. This early stage of community engagement was recommended by Councillor Grimes and approved in a Council motion. You can read more from Councillor Grimes' recent newsletter update on the shelter site here: https://mcusercontent.com/29125614de16db0974bc07f/files/b3189cb6-b4cf-494f-9688-76296a06000e/DEAR_NEIGHBOUR.pdf.

Update from City staff

You can read a recent update from City staff here: https://mcusercontent.com/29125614de16db0974bcdc07f/files/248fbe92-e1cd-455a-88da-1cd534186220/Write_up_for_Councillor_Sept_18_2020_FINAL_letterhead_1_.pdf

Key Activities Planned

Here is how we plan to be in touch, and ways for you to get informed at this early stage:

1. We plan to reach out to key community members, services, agencies and businesses over the next few weeks for small group or one to one meetings. At these sessions we want to hear your ideas, provide information about the planned use of the site, and explore any potential partnerships that might fit the needs of the community. If you would like us to meet with your group, please contact us at:

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2. In the 3rd week of October, a virtual Community Information Session will be organized. This session will give community members an opportunity to hear directly from the City staff and the Councillor's office about planned use for the site.

3. In late October/early November, a community safety walk will be organized, at and around the site.

4. We will also send out updates throughout the fall, every two weeks, or as needed. Please feel free to forward this update to other community members who may wish to be added to our mailing list. Community members who wish to be added to the mailing list can email us at:

clc.2950.70lakeshoreblvdwest@gmail.com, and ask to be added to future updates.