Community Liaison Committee - 11 Macey Avenue Modular Initiative 5 October, 2020 7-9 pm (Webex online meeting) Meeting notes

Attendees: *City of Toronto participants:*

Abi Bond, Housing Secretariat; Samantha Zavaglia, CreateTO; Jennifer Kowalski, Parks, Forestry and Recreation; PC Jason Jones & PC Alison Traynor, Toronto Police Service 41 Division Neighbourhood Safety Unit. Monique Lisi, Office of Councillor Crawford; Councillor Gary Crawford;

Service providers:

Kegan Harris and Lidia Monaco, The Neighbourhood Group; Paul Bruce and Sylvia Starosta, Cota Health;

Organizations:

Wendy McCreath, resident and representative of MTCC no. 606; Bas Mukherjee, Scarborough Cares Community Network; Joe Murillo, Crossroads of the Danforth Business Improvement Area; Suman Roy, resident and representative of Scarborough Food Security Network; Erick Stark, resident and representative of West Oakridge Neighbourhood Association (WONA);

Karen Young, resident and representative of West Oakridge Neighbourhood Association;

Susan Majoca, representative of Metcap Realty (10 Macey Building), was also in attendance but was not able to participate due to technical issues.

Residents: Joanne LaForty, resident; Hussain Patwary, resident; Leigh Williams, resident;

Facilitator: Bruce Davis, Public Progress

Meeting notes:

- 1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS: The facilitator started the meeting shortly after 7pm with a land acknowledgement. Members of the committee introduced themselves and gave a brief explanation as to why they wanted to volunteer for the Community Liaison Committee.
- 2. CONFIRMATION OF THE AGENDA: The committee members agreed on the agenda, which had been circulated in advance.

- 3. CLC TERMS OF REFERENCE; The committee members agreed on the CLC terms of reference, which had been circulated in advance.
- 4. PRESENTATION BY THE NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP AND COTA HEALTH: Kegan Harris (TNG), Lidia Monaco (TNG), Paul Bruce (Cota) and Sylvia Starosta (Cota) made a joint presentation to the committee on the background of their organizations and the services they would be offering at 11 Macey. TNG would be acting as the landlord and Cota Health would be providing services. Due to technical difficulties the slide presentation was not available during the webex online meeting. (Note: it will be sent to committee members after the meeting). Committee members asked various questions of the presenters.
- 5. CONSTRUCTION UPDATE: Samantha Zavaglia of CreateTO gave a brief presentation to the committee on construction activity. Craning is expected during the week of October 19th; that is when the modular buildings will be lifted into place. Based on current construction activity the building should be ready for occupancy at the end of November, 2020. Committee members asked various questions of the presenter.
- 6. PUBLIC COMMENTS PERIOD: Members of the public asked questions of the City officials, the service providers and Toronto Police.
- 7. EMBRACE ACTIVITIES: Members of the Committee asked what they could do to help and Paul Bruce of Cota suggested it was important for the community's continued involvement. In terms of donations, he suggested to think in terms of what you would offer anyone new to the neighbourhood: a welcome card, a gift card to a local coffee shop, a basket of toiletries, etc. Wendy McCreath mentioned that she has been taking up a collection of items in her building, 757 Victoria Park. (Note: Wendy and Paul have subsequently chatted by phone to identify the best items to donate).
- 8. NEXT MEETING: It was decided that the next meeting of the CLC would coincide with the opening of the building and it should be done on-site if it can be done safely. (Note: Bruce to liaise with CreateTO to find the optimum time to visit the site).
- 9. CLOSING COMMENTS: Councillor Crawford wrapped-up the meeting with his closing comments and thanked members of the community for participating to make this a success.

Draft meeting notes prepared by Bruce Davis, facilitator.

These notes were reviewed and agreed by the CLC on January 11, 2021.