



BCCA General Meeting Minutes May 16, 2022

AGENDA

1) OPEN

1a) Call to Order, Welcome, Land Acknowledgement (J. Candido/C. Dingemans)

Quorum was reached with 7 out of 13 member building representatives in attendance. The remaining member buildings were represented by proxy.

The meeting started at 7:00 pm. J. Candido, President, welcomed everyone. A special welcome was extended to our newest member, 75 Nicholas Residences.

C. Dingemans, Director, read the Land Acknowledgement and reviewed the virtual general meeting protocol.

1b) Approval of BCCA Agenda – May 16, 2022 (C. Carnevali)

The following was added to the agenda 5) ANNOUNCEMENTS 5a) Special Events List

A motion was made by T. Gardiner, seconded by K. Holden to accept the agenda as amended; carried.

1c) Approval of BCCA General Meeting Minutes - March 21, 2022 (C. Carnevali)

A motion was made by C. Dingemans, seconded by T. Gardiner to accept the minutes as written; carried.

1d) Guest Speaker - Canada HomeShare (C. Olson)

Caitlin Olson, Toronto HomeShare Manager & Peterborough Pilot Site Coordinator, presented an informative overview of an intergenerational living initiative that uses social workers to match seniors who have spare bedrooms with students needing affordable housing.

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2) UNFINISHED BUSINESS (from previous meetings)

2a) Strategies for City Planned Events (Pride Parade) (C. Carnevali)

An email has been sent to City of Toronto Street Events and Toronto Police Services (TPS) to request traffic management on St. Joseph St. and to ensure that St. Joseph St. is flagged as problematic requiring special measures for each future road closing.

3) REPORTS

3a) Treasurer's Report (N. Waite)

We remain in a positive and healthy financial position to date, from Oct 2021 to May 2022.

Ten of the member buildings have paid their membership fees. The others will be due on or before September 2022, due to the different anniversary dates.

Of significance is the fact that the membership fee of \$ 1.50 cents /per unit has remained the same over the last 15 years, less than the cost of a small Tim Horton's coffee.

3b) Social Media (C. Dingemans)

Facebook Group: Created Feb 8/21, 77 members as of May 7th, 57 new members in past year, 418 posts in last year (May 7/21 to May 8/22)

Twitter: 91 following, 145 followers as of May 7th, 326 tweets in last year (May 21 to April 22), 63 new followers in last year, Total 1,036 tweets to date with a milestone of 1000 tweets reached this month

Website: 309 visits since our last meeting in March, down 17% over the previous 2 months, 552 page view, up 12%, New content and updates provided on an ongoing basis. All were encouraged follow Facebook and Twitter and access our website. New ideas are always welcome.

3c) 25 St. Mary Street (K. Holden/M. Tait-McClellan)

TenBlock proposes to demolish the existing 24 story, 269 unit building, build 2 towers (59 and 54 stories), relocate and subsidize long term residents rent, provide a small public park and a daycare centre.

Concerns are with height and massing of these towers, set backs, vehicular traffic on Inkerman St., etc. Intensification is further compounded by the 1075 St. development. Both Tenblock and Canderel have had discussions regarding adjoining properties.

The BCCA is compiling a list of community benefits. Input is appreciated.

3d) Dr. Lillian McGregor Park (C. Carnevali)

There is no definitive date for the opening of the park. The conveyance process entails Lanterra, Morguard and 909 Bay Street that have interests, rights and obligations relating to the development agreements from the late 1990s. City lawyers are working through those various items with all of the parties. A decision may be made to open the Lanterra part of the park first but not a straightforward matter either.

The BCCA continue to advocate for a summer opening.

3e) Great White Oak Bench Construction (K. Holden)

This has been a collaborative project with the BCCA and Councillor Layton's office. Robert Jarvis, Just Be Woodsy, was contracted to procure this tree that was cut down, design and make a bench with the main trunk.

There are a few outstanding pieces on the procurement side and the agreement /logistics for installation. Parks is pulling together a few different teams and will provide next steps and a staff contact for Robert Jarvis and the BCCA.

3f) Sundial Proposal (J. Candido)

The proposal to replace the inoperable fountain with a sundial was presented to Councillor Layton's office and received with a favourable response of support. They presented same to Parks and have reported that the City is now looking into potential sources of funding that could be utilized. The earliest they can anticipate having capacity to take the project on is 2023, with construction in 2024.

This will be left for the next term of Council as City staff cannot be directed to undertake work past the end of term, and the Councillor's office after cannot participate in public sessions past July.

3g) Neighbourhood Safety (C. Carnevali)

An email was sent to Constable Anthony Lamanna requesting that he visit the managers of RABBA and Shoppers DrugMart.

Constable Barry Bates responded to M. Litvack's concerns asking for e-bike policy. While the riding of e-bikes, scooters is illegal there are not enough resources to police these offences. Each year the police conduct a safety awareness campaign. Constable Bates has asked Uber to create a policy and training for their delivery carriers.

A suggestion was made to consider establishing a small team to meet with Constable Barry Bates and discuss issues and ideas to promote safety awareness.

Action: C. Carnevali will send an email to Constable Barry Bates outlining BCCA ideas on how to work together on this issue.

3h) Census Boundary Changes (C. Dingemans)

In the 2021 census, 34 new neighbourhoods were created in Toronto. One of those was the former Bay Street Corridor that ran from University to Yonge, Bloor to Front. It was split into 2 neighbourhoods: Bay-Cloverhill is the north portion that goes from Bloor to College; Yonge Bay Corridor runs from College to Front.

The reason that the new neighbourhoods were created was to redistribute populations more evenly. The original setup of neighbourhoods was created by the City of Toronto in the 1990's and implemented in 2000. The new neighbourhoods are aligned with the Statistics Canada census tracts from 2016.

The creation of neighbourhoods was developed by the City to collect data and improve planning and analysis. This data is used to report demographic information for research and social planning, which better allocates scarce resources for the City where it is needed most.

4) NEW BUSINESS

4a) FoSTRA Volunteer Recruitment (Committees and Ward 13 Director) (C. Dingemans)

FoSTRA is a new collection of South Toronto residents' associations. The organization is providing much needed advocacy and information that is relevant to downtown community groups. C. Carnevali and C. Dingemans are the representatives for the BCCA.

C. Dingemans is also the Nominations Committee Chair. FoSTRA recently changed their bylaws to allow for a 3rd representative and there are available volunteer positions able to fill for Board Secretary, Ward Director 13, Membership Committee, and Communications Committee. Committed time could range from 5 to 20 hours per month.

Action: Anyone who is interested is to contact C. Dingemans

4b) Provincial Election (C. Dingemans)

An overview of electoral candidates and election information was presented.

More details are available in our social media posts or in the Notices section of the website as well as www.elections.on.ca

5) ANNOUNCEMENTS

5a) Special Events List (C. Dingemans)

A complete list of all events, especially highlighting those that require Yonge St. closures has been compiled and will be vetted with the City of Toronto Events Co-ordinator.

Upcoming Special Events:

- Gumball 3000 Rally - Friday May 27th to Saturday May 28th
- Doors Open - Saturday May 28th to Sunday May 29th
- Run for Women – Saturday June 11th
- Word on the Street - Saturday June 11th to Sunday June 12th
- Trans March - Friday June 24th
- Dyke March - Saturday June 25th
- Pride Parade - Sunday June 26th

Attachment 1 - Special Events List

This list will be posted on the BCCA website.

6) ADJOURNMENT (J. Candido)

The meeting ended at 8:29 pm.

Next Meeting – July 18, 2022

Attachment 1 - Special Events List

Special Events

Event	Website	Date	2022 Event	Road Closures
St. Patrick's Day Parade	www.stpatrickstoronto.com	Sunday in March close to 17 th	Sun March 20 – noon to 3 pm	Yonge – Bloor to Queen
Toronto Marathon	www.torontomarathon.com	1 st Sunday May	Sun May 1	None in BCCA
Sporting Life 10k	www.sportinglife10k.ca	2 nd Sunday May	Sun May 8 7-11 am	Yonge – Davisville to Queen
Gumball 3000 Rally	www.gumball3000.com		Fri May 27 6 am to Sat May 28 1 pm	Bay – Scollard to Bloor (not in BCCA)
Gumball 3000 Rally	www.gumball3000.com		Sat May 28 10:45 am – 12:30 pm	Rolling Bay – Scollard to Gerrard Yonge – Gerrard to Dundas
Run for Women	www.runforwomen.ca	Saturday – mid June	Sat June 11 Start 7 am at WCH, 76 Grenville	Bloor to Bay to St. Joseph to Queens Park Cres W to Wellesley W to Queens Park Cres E to College to Spadina Surrey Surrey Place?
Yorkville Exotic Car Show	www.yorkvilleexotics.com	June Father's Day	Sun June 19 noon-5 pm	None in BCCA
Trans March	www.pridetoronto.com	Last Friday June	Fri June 24 8-9 pm	Yonge – Bloor to Carlton
Dyke March	www.pridetoronto.com	Last Saturday June	Sat June 25 2-4 pm	Yonge – Bloor to Carlton
Pride Parade	www.pridetoronto.com	Last Sunday June	Sun June 26 2-6 pm	Yonge – Bloor to Dundas

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Yorkville Run	www.yorkvillerun.com	Sunday – mid September	Sun September 11 8:30 am to 10:30 am	SB Bay - Davenport to Dundas NB Queens Park – Dundas to Davenport
Open Streets	www.openstreetsto.org	Sunday – mid September	Sun 10 am – 2 pm	Yonge – Bloor to Queen
Waterfront Marathon	www.torontowaterfrontmarathon.com	Sunday mid October	Sun October 16	None in BCCA
Santa Clause Parade	www.thesantaclausparade.com	3 rd Sunday of November or early December	Sun Nov 20?	University – Bloor to Wellington