



MINUTES
Southeast Community Centre & Library
Council Subcommittee
July 26, 2012
Meeting No. 4

Attendance

Members:

Councillor Colin Campbell (Chair)
Deputy Mayor Jack Heath
Regional Councillor Gord Landon

Regrets

Councillor Logan Kanapathi

Consultants

D'Arcy Arthurs, Perkins + Will
Duff Balmer, Perkins + Will

Staff:

Mary Creighton, Director Recreation
Ronji Borooah, Town Architect
Phoebe Fu, Senior Manager, Facilities
Henry Tse, Senior Project Manager
Jason Vasilaki, Project Manager
Catherine Biss, Chief Executive Officer,
Markham Libraries
Gary Adamkowski, Director Asset
Management
Alida Tari, Council/Committee Coordinator

The Southeast Community Centre & Library Council Subcommittee convened at 11:11 AM with Councillor Colin Campbell in the Chair.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None disclosed.

**1. MINUTES OF THE JULY 24, 2012 SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY CENTRE
& LIBRARY DESIGN SUBCOMMITTEE**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Jack Heath
Seconded by Regional Councillor Gord Landon

That the July 24, 2012 minutes of the Southeast Community Centre & Library Design Subcommittee be approved.

CARRIED

2. REVIEW AND ENDORSEMENT OF SCHEMATIC DESIGN BLOCKING LAYOUT FOR FURTHER SCHEMATIC DESIGN DEVELOPMENT BY PERKINS + WILL

Duff Balmer, Perkins + Will delivered a PowerPoint presentation providing a revised Program Blocking Option 1 (from the July 24th meeting) for the Southeast Community Centre & Library.

The Committee was pleased with the revised Program Blocking Option 1 and suggested that the following also be considered:

- Ability to open the gymnasium to the adjacent outdoor area to the East
- Move the proposed connecting bridge on the inside of the building to the West
- Include seating in front of the gymnasium area along the south side of the gym
- Consider moving the main entrance (on the south side of the building) over to the to align with the administration desk on the North side of the atrium
- Consider including a view to the East of the building from the Older Adult area
- Add the children's indoor play area at only one storey high and 1500 sf
- Ensure the library floor plate remains as large as possible on the first floor and provide a higher second floor ceiling height
- Have the library overlook the atrium area and lookout to the dropoff circle landscape
- Move the café closer towards the NE corner of the library
- Include a lot of glass on the eastern wall of the building to allow people from the inside the ability to view any activities going on in the outdoor space
- Move the corridor on the 2nd floor to the Youth area from the South side of the room to the North side.

3. VISIONING SESSION: DISCUSSION ON ARCHITECTURAL CHARACTER, QUALITY, FEATURES & MULTI-CULTURAL CONSIDERATIONS

Duff Balmer, Perkins + Will delivered a PowerPoint presentation providing some examples of different architectural designs and materials to consider for the Southeast Community Centre & Library.

The Committee suggested that following relative to the building design:

- Exterior building overhangs/screens to manage sunlight
- Do not want the building to look like it is composed of blocks
- The four sides of the building do not necessary have to be in unified in look (eg. Mixture of glass, brick, wood or other appropriate material)
- Evaluate how the North exterior wall can vary in setback along its length
- Ensure the design fits in with the demographics and built form of the area
- Incorporate as many sustainable initiatives as possible
- Incorporate a timeless/dateless look

4. NEW BUSINESS

The Committee discussed the importance of the park (to the east of the building) being designed and constructed at the same time as the building.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Jack Heath
Seconded by Regional Councillor Gord Landon

That staff examine ways to advance the acquisition of the land, design and construction for the park (east side of the Southeast Community Centre & Library) in conjunction with the SECC & L building.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

The Southeast Community Centre & Library Design Subcommittee adjourned at 5:15 p.m.