

**Orientation Meeting: Community Working Group  
Ward 6 Skate Board Park Site Selection**

**December 10, 2008 – 6:30 p.m.  
Alderwood Pool, Community Room  
2 Orianna Drive, Toronto**

**MEETING NOTES**

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*Sally Leppard, CWG facilitator, prepared the notes. They were approved by CWG members at the second meeting held on January 8, 2009. For further information about CWG and the Skateboard Park site selection process, please contact [sleppard@lura.ca](mailto:sleppard@lura.ca).*

**Attendance:**

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CWG Members

Andrew Bilicki  
Youth Member  
Sharon Hamilton  
Brian Hughes  
Barbara Keaveney  
Rob Mark  
Bob Poldon  
Greg Rodriguez  
Ian Smith  
Janet Weech  
Councillor Mark Grimes

Staff:

Sheila Paxton – Executive Assistant to Cr. Mark Grimes  
Susan Korrick – Supervisor, Capital Projects, Parks,  
Forestry and Recreation  
Kevin Bowser,  
John Fulton  
Karen Harris

Facilitator:

Sally Leppard, Lura Consulting

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Regrets:

Lynn Bailey  
Jay Mandarino

**1.0 Welcome and Introductions**

Councillor Mark Grimes welcomed members to the first meeting of the CWG. He noted that the purpose of the meeting is to introduce members, review the mandate of the working group, discuss background on previous site selection work, and to discuss the process for site selection. Councillor Grimes led a round of introductions.

**2.0 Purpose of the CWG**

Ms. Leppard reviewed the Draft Terms of Reference for the CWG with members. She outlined the work that would be involved, the topics for up to four meetings, and the schedule for completing the work. Members reviewed the document and approved it with no changes.

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### **3.0 Background on Previous Site Selection Work**

Ms. Korrick reviewed the history of the skateboard park site selection process. A listing of criteria previously utilized was handed out. Ms. Korrick noted that the Working Group would discuss the site selection criteria, and approach at the next meeting.

Ms. Korrick and Councillor Grimes noted that 10 of the previous 11 sites on the list are still available for consideration. Colonel Sam Smith Park has been dropped as a potential location.

### **4.0 Review and discussion of Skate Board Park Site Selection Criteria**

Members noted that there might be other locations that should be considered. It was agreed that CWG members, and members of the public could submit locations for consideration by the WG.

Members requested the following: information on demographics of users (who uses skate board parks; areas where skate boarding occurs in incompatible areas (e.g. sidewalks); information on existing skate board parks in Toronto; the minimum footprint (size) of a new skateboard park; and a list of City owned properties in Ward 6.

### **5.0 Other Business**

Ms. Korrick noted that a couple of people had requested the names of CWG members. Through discussion, members had varying views on this issue. It was noted that one member was a minor, and that personal information should not be released.

Engaging the public in the site selection process was raised. It was agreed that CWG members would present their findings to the public at the end of the process.

### **6.0 Next Meeting**

The next meeting would focus on discussion on the site selection process and criteria. A list of potential locations would also be discussed. The schedule for meetings is:

January 8, 2009; January 14, 2009; January 28, 2009. Meetings will start at 6:45 p.m. Locations to be determined.

### **7.0 The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.**