

APPENDIX B

Public Open House

Aim: To provide a forum of participation for the wider community in reviewing and providing comment on work to date for the Memorial Drive corridor.

Date: Saturday, January 22, 2005

Time: 12:00 – 2:00 pm

Venue: Colonel Belcher Care Centre Auditorium - 1939 Veterans Way NW

Resources: Mike Kenny, Nicola Roe, Jim Klimes- The City of Calgary

Cathy Sears, Drew Ferrari, Jonathan Liu, Kelly Hyde, Dave Spencer-
Stantec Consulting Ltd.

The Process:

Special Feature- The Involvement of Veterans

Veterans' involvement helped to set a tone for the Open House in two significant ways:

- The Setting

The open house was held at the Colonel Belcher Care Centre, which meant that many veterans could attend and interact with other attendees.

- Display of Remembrance

The public was welcomed to view the Colonel Belcher's display of wartime memorabilia and photographs.

Public Open House participants had the opportunity to be engaged in any of four primary means of participation:

1. Static Displays

Open House visitors were also encouraged to view displays (Appendix C) that included:

- project process overview;
- site & context maps;
- Phase 1 Vision Statement;
- Phase 2 C.A.L.L. Principles;
- existing contextual photos of Memorial Drive;
- information on pathways and bikeways;
- information regarding the trees of Memorial Drive;
- draft sketch designs of landscape concepts;
- presentation boards on landscape patterns;
- boards on Continuity, Accessibility, Legibility, and Legacy;
- draft conceptual open space framework plan

2. Display and Rating of Images

In a display of the images previously completed by the Key Stakeholders, participants were invited to rate the features.



3. Talking

Participants who wished to talk about their visions for the Memorial Drive corridor, were invited to sit and speak with writers who made notes for inclusion in the summary report. (refer to Section III.1)

Both City of Calgary Parks staffs, as well as consultants from Stantec Consulting Ltd. were available to answer questions, and record participant comments and issues.



4. Writing

Participants were encouraged to also write down their comments, both positive and negative, not only about what they had seen at the Open House, but also about their own visions for the Memorial Drive corridor.

These transcribed comments are included in Appendix E.