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Planning and Development Committee Meeting EFCL Office, 7103 – 105 Street

MINUTES – March 13, 2007

Present: Ben Henderson (Chair), Elaine Solez, Al Slemko, Michael Pucylo, Allan Tchida, Brian Kropf

Absent: Regrets: Cassandra Haraba, Raquel Feroe, Bill Eadie, Brent Michalyk

Absent: Edo Nyland, Julian Martin, Shelley Tupper, Derrick Forsythe, Erik Soderstrom, John Doyle, Bob Portwood

1. Call To Order

Agenda additions: 2.2 West High Speed Transit (Elaine);
2.3 FOCUS Edmonton Principles - Response (Ben)

2. New Business

2.1. **City Projects:- *FOCUS Edmonton: City Plan and Transportation Master Plan Review***

- Mary Ann McConnell-Boehm, Edmonton Planning & Development Department, and Rhonda Toohey, Edmonton Transportation Department, made a brief presentation on the direction and present status of the two projects.
- Discussion followed on FOCUS Edmonton's scope limitation (physical land use) and how related matters like taxation alternatives, growth options, economic initiatives etc will affect and be affected by the City Plan; the interrelationships among of transportation planning, land use planning and social planning; how other related initiatives (e.g. Smart Choices, the four-party planning processes review group, etc) will be accommodated and allowed to shape the City's land use plan and transportation plan; recognition of *neighbourhood* as the basic building block for all city-wide planning policy to be reflected in growth and change processes.
- The guests were thanked for their time and contribution, and departed.

2.2. ***FOCUS Edmonton Principles - Response***

- The Committee reviewed the draft Principles and formulated responses and suggestions.
- **ACTION** – Brian – document and submit responses and suggestions to FOCUS Edmonton.

2.3. **West High Speed Transit**

- Elaine provided a verbal report on the March 5 meeting; for the north route from Lewis Estates, the City presented a very limited analysis of car travel times on only 4 east-west route options; no information followed on route extensions, distances, etc.
- City staff advised the study will be completed in late spring, and the west LRT study is no longer to be part of the stakeholder group's work.

3. Next Meeting March 28, 2007:

4. Adjournment 10:25 pm