

Preston Street BIA BOARD MEETING NOTES

Tuesday, September 10, 2024, 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Attendees: Steve Moffatt, Sabrina Mtanos, Jason Anbara, Claudio, Lepore, Lindsay Childerhose, Katy Morassutti

Absentees: Marcus Filoso, Joey Frangione, Tony Zacconi, Shauna Bradley, Houry Avedissian, Daniele Cambareri, Lauryn Santini

2. Chairperson's Report:

2.1 Bridge Replacement Update

2.2.1 Perch Claim Support Update

The Board discussed the response from city legal and determined that support for Perch's claim could present a potential conflict and is not feasible.

2.2.2 Little Italy Signs Update

MTO has indicated that the appropriate time to submit an encroachment permit for the new bridge is early January 2025. They have confirmed that engineer stamped drawings will be required for the Little Italy signed mounting systems.

The blade signs have been in storage with Heritage Grade since their removal in September. They have quoted the BIA \$10,270 to reinstall the posts and rebar. They have quoted repainting/restoration of the posts at \$9,500. Lindsay is to find comparative quotes for the restoration of the posts.

Graphix2k met the BIA at Bayview Yards to assess the condition of the Little Italy signs. They have provided their professional recommendation that the signs be replaced in full. Lindsay is to send the Board the official quote and recommendation that was given by Graphix2k for review and discussion in October.

2.2.3 Mural Callout Review

A mural callout for the new Preston underpass was circulated with the Board.

2.2.4 Bridge Reinstallations Budget

With the potential need for new Little Italy signs, the cost to reinstall all the facets on the overpass, including repair or replacement of the signs, road closure and the new mural is approximately \$100,000 for 2025. The BIA will be spending \$20,000 this year on the restoration



and installation of the blade signs. This is to be discussed further in October when the draft budget is presented.

2.3 2025 Draft Budget

The Board discusses the levy for 2025.

2.4 2024 AGM and Annual Report

The 2024 Annual General Meeting will be held at the Gladstone on November 18. The ANCHOR Program and the Councillor will be speaking at the meeting.

2.5 Italian Festival

2.5.1 Demo Zone Costs

FCA Ottawa has sent a letter to the Board about the cost of the Demo Zone. To be discussed in October.

2.5.2 Committee Terms of Reference

Terms of reference for the Italian Festival committee have been circulated.

2.6 Taste of Little Italy Committee Terms of Reference

Terms of reference for the Taste of Little Italy committee have been circulated.

2.7 Board of Directors Portal

3. Marketing Update:

3.1 Social Media and Website Report

Action Items:

- Send draft budget to Board
- Send out Mural Callout
- Send Graphix2k quote and recommendation to Board
- Obtain comparative quotes for blade sign restoration