Applicant Outreach Summary

Please complete this form and include with your application submission.
Project name: Aboriginal Friendship Centre of Calgary Affordable Housing
Did you conduct community outreach on your application? ✓ YES or ☐NO
If no, please provide your rationale for why you did not conduct outreach.

Outreach Strategy

Provide an overview of your outreach strategy, summary of tactics and techniques you undertook (Include dates, locations, # of participants and any other relevant details)

For Meeting 1 and Meeting 2 below, meetings were held virtually (due to Covid) and a presentation was shared that summarized all project information including team introductions, vision, social and environmental responsibility goals, planning, architecture, and landscaping. Following that time was left for questions and detailed discussion with the community members.

Meeting 1: Highland Park Community Association on December 2, 2020. A total of 7 people attended this meeting.

Meeting 2: Wing Kei on December 17, 2020. A total of 10 people attended this meeting.

Meeting 3: A discussion was had with Councillor Sean Chu in September 2020 to share project information. He subsequently provided a letter of support on September 21, 2020.

Stakeholders

Who did you connect with in your outreach program? List all stakeholder groups you connected with. (Please do not include individual names)

- Highland Park Community Association.
- Wing Kei Board Members.
- Councillor Sean Chu

What did you hear?

Provide a summary of main issues and ideas that were raised by participants in your outreach.

Participants in all three meetings showed support for and appreciation of the project.

Highland Park Community Association:

- Requested rationale for exclusion of balconies and the reduction of parking.

Wing Kei:

- Requested further details on the program and services in place for care of seniors.
- Requested further details on how residents are selected for the building.
- Discussed design strategy around slope adaptive building and assurance that retaining wall on Wing Kei site will remain in tact.

Sean Chu expressed support for the project.

How did stakeholder input influence decisions?

Provide a summary of how the issues and ideas summarized above influenced project decisions. If they did not, provide a response for why.

All stakeholder input was essentially supportive with additional rationale requested around some details. Upon discussion of the rationale, no additional action was requested by the stakeholders.

How did you close the loop with stakeholders?

Provide a summary of how you shared outreach outcomes and final project decisions with the stakeholders that participated in your outreach. (Please include any reports or supplementary materials as attachments)

Following the meetings we provided meeting notes summarizing all information discussed, along with the project summary presentation. We provided our direct contact information encouraging further follow up should stakeholders be interested.