

Applicant Outreach Summary

2023 July 18



Community Outreach on Planning & Development Applicant-led Outreach Summary

Please complete this form and include with your application submission.

Project name: Alto Development Permit - 613 to 621 9A St. NW

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)

The applicant undertook public outreach throughout 2022 and early 2023, including the following engagement opportunities and events:

- Hillhurst-Sunnyside Community Association (HSCA) pre-application meeting May 2022
- Notice posting on site (no inbound inquiries received through posted contact information)
- Project website live from August 2022 - Present (www.engagealto.com)
- Ongoing community progress updates
- Ongoing discussion with adjacent landowner re: landscaping and boundary coordination
- HSCA meeting and presentation Sept. 7, 2022
- HSCA provided a letter to the file manager dated Sept. 15

Stakeholders

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

- Hillhurst-Sunnyside Community Association
- Adjacent landowner - Norfolk Housing
- Public (via notice posting and website)

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What did you hear?

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

The key topics discussed with the Community Association included the following:

- General support for increased density in TOD area, connections to Bow to Bluff corridor, and overall design and architectural aspects of the building.
- Desire for laneway activation and improvement.
- Desire to see heritage commemoration.
- Request for recycling, salvage and waste reduction throughout construction.

In addition, discussions with the neighbour to the south centred on the use of Minto's site for staging and maintenance for their own renovations, and commitments to restore and improve joint property during construction. The neighbour has expressed support for adjacent development.

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.

Comments on the laneway were taken into account along with UDRP comments regarding the same topic. Because the laneway functions as the building's main entry and street address, additional design consideration was given to activate the lane at the pedestrian level. The entry area was given more prominence and articulation for wayfinding. Not all challenges related to the lane can be fully mitigated through design, nor can all community requests be accommodated given programming requirements for vehicular, service, and emergency access. However, the intention for this site is to provide a walkable, transit-oriented development that minimizes additional traffic and parking demand in the lane.

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)

Comments received via the HSCA letter, alongside UDRP comments, were addressed in coordination with the file planner within the technically constrained conditions of this site. Once a final date is confirmed for the application to proceed to Calgary Planning Commission (CPC), the HSCA will be notified with a summary letter.

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