

3rd Recycling Committee Design Meeting of 2013

Feb.13, 2-5 pm at the Recycling Depot Site

Welcome/Thank you.

The Recycling Committee is so appreciative of the time and energy and good thinking that is being given to this process. The Committee is charged with the task of choosing a design for the new Free Store, and seeing that it is built to Building Code standards through efficient, cost effective and transparent use of the funds available. We are grateful for your help in this process and will do our best to include as many of your suggestions as possible given the budget that we have to work with.

In order to go forward, we are next going to need to assemble a sub-committee of about 5 people, supervised by the Recycling Committee, who will see the project of building a new Free Store through to it's completion within the budget of \$61,000.

Our Goal at this meeting: TO WALK OVER THE DEPOT SITE AND REVIEW, IN TURN, THE OPTIONS FOR OUR NEW FREE STORE LOCATION.

Recap of last meeting:

- We need a Free Store building of at least 2500-3000 sq.ft.
 - There was very strong support for the new Free Store being open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Jon Isfeld said he will take this need to his bosses at CVRD and speak on our behalf. We will assist him by providing him with evidence of this feeling in the community; a petition is available to the public in the Free Store.
 - Concerns were brought up, and addressed about the location of the coming Product Care Building.
 - There was some criticism of the Long Range Site Plan unanimously developed by the Design Group process in 2013.
 - The 3 small groups in our last meeting came up with 3 different locations for the new Free Store.
 - It was acknowledged that the Office/Boutique area, which will not be demolished, is a "pinch point" in the 2013 Long Range Site Plan.
 - Our budget of \$61,000 is extremely small for a building of the size we need, amounting to about \$25/sq.ft., which is about half of current building costs.
 - The possibilities of some community fund-raising for the new Free Store were suggested. Jon will give us information on how this would work with CVRD.
 - Shipping containers could be incorporated into the Free Store design, depending on the cost.
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- Are there any further suggestions of location for the new Free Store building?
 - Walk the site and look at each different option offered.
 - Convene in the Depot Office to discuss the next course of action.
 - Volunteers for Free Store Building Sub-Committee?
 - Closing