

## **Document 4 – BIA input regarding the proposed garage at 170 Second Avenue**

The following input was received in response to comment sheets which asked: “What is important to you with regard to the construction of additional parking at 170 Second Avenue? Describe your preference for the appearance of the building.” The feedback has been grouped into main themes.

### **Purpose – Maximize Parking**

- This extremely important – numbers are somewhat skewed and not representative of true demand. Witness on a daily basis. LP [Lansdowne Park] will also create more demand – this is not shown in this study – hence the need for this facility.
- Not concerned about appearance – just the functionality. Glebe workers need parking.
- Multi-tiered building with lots of additional parking; not just rental spaces. Three storey structure.
- Appearance irrelevant. Want more all-day parking.
- Parking garage would be nice (2)
- No problem
- That it happens quickly
- Need to maximize parking spots and make it pleasant to park in.

### **Design – Blend it in**

- Nothing modern (3)
- Should blend in with the rest of the neighbourhood. Should look appealing so as not be an eyesore.
- Exterior fits in with residential neighbourhood.
- Make it green as possible (green roof; angled for solar); create an artist gallery for graffiti so we are not stressed about tagging; vines as coverage along streetscape; open side walls with tubular railings (sightlines through to 2nd and 3rd Avenues); use parking garage concepts in Santa Monica, Calif.
- Design to blend into its surroundings (not just a big concrete box. Take into consideration the surrounding residents that will be visually impacted.
- Should not have the appearance of a garage
- In keeping with beauty and character of neighbourhood.

- Not more than three storeys above ground. Dark red brick perhaps with matching cornice in keeping with existing buildings.

### **Security – Light and Safe**

- Well lit, safe at night.
- Concerns about the potential to attract homeless people, muggings, drugs, etc
- I am concerned from a security point of view. With an increase amount of panhandling in the area the stairwells in the proposed parking structure may be a great place for panhandlers to setup and harass our patrons.
- I am concerned with individuals gaining access to our stores roof. I am hoping in future revisions there is a possible deterrent in place to prevent this.

### **Traffic**

- Provide underground levels and entrances and exits points on both Second and Third Avenues.
- Work with adjacent owners to ensure function of loading area is appropriate.

### **Amenities, Pricing, Budget, Other**

- Also hope that the cost to park won't be too expensive like it is now.
- Parking structure should have attendant. Cheaper and more effective in the long run than machine and software. Parking validation or free parking should be given for \$20 purchase made a Glebe merchant.
- [currently] No lots where employee can purchase monthly parking pass or park for the day. Nothing available for customers; they are always rushing out to feed meters or complaining about expensive or strict parking enforcement. To expect people to shop and enjoy their time in the Glebe they need to have access to reasonable, affordable, day-long parking (or at least break it into half days, 4 hour time periods ... who can shop and have lunch in 2 or 3 hours?
- Length of time allowed to park should result in "turn over" and should not be used to service events that are occurring a Lansdowne park.