

Beach United Church Meeting of the Congregation

- January 31, 2010

6. Housing Our Ministries (HOMe)

- Congregational Meeting
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HOMe Background

May 24 th Vote	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alternative #3
October 25 th Vote	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• East site
November Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• HOMe plan approved in draft• Search Committee
December Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• HOMe plan approved• Coordinating Group appointed as Commission

Alternative #3

- Remove non-sanctuary portion (south portion)
- Redesign and rebuild sanctuary portion (north portion)
- Include small addition as needed for effective design and functionality
- Spending limit of \$5.0 million

Housing Our Ministries (HOME)

- Congregational Update
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Today's presentation

- What is the HOME project?
- How will it proceed?
- Who will be involved?
- What will be decided?
- How will the congregation be involved?

What is the HOME project?

- Established after the congregational decision to sell Beach West property
- Working with BUC Council and the Congregation, to plan and carry out the realization of Beach United Church's new home building.
- “Alternative 3”
 - Remove “non-sanctuary” portion of the building
 - Redesign and renovate sanctuary portion
 - Include small addition, as needed for design and function
 - Spending limit of \$5 million.

What is the HOME Project?

It includes....

- Determining space use and requirements for the structure and surrounding site.
- Hiring architect and builder.
- Determining the new design for the building.
- Relocation of staff and ministries to interim location and then back to our “new” home.
- Communication about the project to the congregation and the surrounding community.

...but doesn't include...

- Closure of the west building
- Assets management from either the east or west property.
- Communication with existing tenants or staff.

Who will be involved?

- HOME Coordinating Group
 - Leaders in areas important to the project, eg., Space Use and Needs, Design, Build, Relocation, Communication, Budget.
 - Task Teams to make recommendations to the Co-ordinating Group.
 - Commission – terms of reference and membership approved by BUC Council in December 2009.
- Large project, long period of time – many opportunities for congregational participation – short term and long term.
- Tell us about your interests and skills !
- Watch eSpirit and Heartbeat for chances to participate!

Our Objectives

- To ensure the vision, values and needs of the congregation and the community drive the planning, decision-making and building process.
 - Because there are limited resources, and unlimited wishes for the space, not everyone's wants can be satisfied.
 - Where there are differences in how to design the space, we will use values, beliefs and ministry priorities to guide us.

Our Objectives

- To design a “flexible” building – to accommodate our Ministry (and our space use) in two years and in twenty years.
 - We are designing for the future; many future needs are unknown.
 - Efficient space use, multi-purpose space use will be a given.
 - The current space will change significantly – smaller sanctuary, multi-purpose

Our Objectives

To follow a process which:

- Engages the congregation and community for their input;
- Balances needs and engagement with the realities (ie., costs and timelines) of architectural design and development; and
- Promotes transparent decision making.

Planning and Building Design: Key Steps & Target Dates

Key Steps	Key Activities	Target date
Ministry in Action exploration	Congregational discussion of vision, values and ministry	February /March 2010
Congregational input to building requirements	Site visits, current requirements survey	March/early April 2010
Congregational response to building concept.	Congregational meeting to present conceptual design.	Late June, early July 2010
Congregational approval of final building costs.	Congregational meeting to present final building design and costs.	Fall 2010
Groundbreaking	Celebrate!	Spring 2011

The Process

- DREAMERS WANTED!
 - Dreaming -- *early* and often
 - Ministry in Action – our future supported by the right building.
 - Searching for new possibilities – site visits!
 - Communicating who we are
 - Innovative use of space – churches, community centres, green buildings, service organizations, partnerships

The Process

- A TIME TO DISCERN
 - How can we translate our Ministry priorities into space use? How do we serve ourselves and the community with this building?
 - How can we meet the needs of the present and the future?
 - How do we do all this AND meet the needs and dreams of everyone within space and site limitations, with limited finances, within building code, etc., etc.?
- DECISIONS, DECISIONS.....

More info

Housing our Ministries

- Terms of Reference document– HOME project
www.beachuc.com - or 416.691-8082 (church office)

For updates on HOME progress:

- Heartbeat
- eSpirit
- Sunday service announcements
- BUC web site

To offer your gifts and talents, or for questions:

- home@beachuc.com (Home Coordinating Group)
- Or call any member of the Coordinating Group.

Questions?

