

In recent meetings between Mayor Helps and Sean Kahil, a representative of the Friends of Central Park group, the importance of a broad range of stakeholders being involved in the design of the engagement process was emphasized.

Mayor Helps and Mr. Kahil discussed the following points:

- That the increased cost of the project due to any delays was a significant factor.
- The tension between getting the current plan in quickly versus having a more holistic plan. Lisa said the may have some "some" latitude to modify the plan after funding was approved.
- That it would be best for the public consultation process to begin as soon as possible.
- That it would be best to do the broader land-use consultation along with the parking consultation process.
- That the stakeholders should work together to design the consultation process to avoid an echo chamber.
- The possibility of having a neutral third party as part of the consultation process.
- The possibility of additional resources for the NPNA to help them obtain effective input.
- Transparency, with Sean agreeing to inform Lisa as to any reports/documentation that are not posted to the project website. (E.g. any information on impacts to trees.)
- That it would be worthwhile to revisit the information already captured by previous engagement processes with an eye to extracting information that was not previously captured. Also, that this would be something that could be started immediately.