



ST ELIZABETHS EAST ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

FEBRUARY 4, 2015

LOCATION: R.I.S.E. DEMONSTRATION CENTER (2730 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR., AVE., SE)

TIME: 1-3PM

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MINUTES

1. General Project Update

The Advisory Board received an update from Redbrick LMD-Gragg Cardona regarding the Phase 1 Redevelopment Effort. The Redbrick LMD-Gragg Cardona team was selected by the District to lead the first phase of development on the St. Elizabeths campus based on their experience with large-scale projects and the strength of their plan to fulfill the District's policy goals. In addition to Redbrick and Gragg Cardona, members of the team are NVR, Inc., one of the District's leading home builders; JBGR, an affiliate of The JBG Companies; and Perkins Eastman.

Vance Gragg of Gragg-Cardona presented to the Board (see the enclosed presentation) and noted that the first phase of development is planned to start in close proximity to Congress Heights Metro Station. Plans include opportunities to create a technology-focused, transit-oriented community that includes business, research, higher education and residential uses in a collaborative environment.



The development team has continued its outreach efforts to the Ward 8 community. Mr. Gragg indicated that the community members and potential invest partners have had a positive outlook towards the initial phase of development.

2. East of the River Innovators Awards Overview

On Saturday, January 31, 2015, the R.I.S.E. Demonstration Center hosted its first annual East of the River Innovators Awards honoring eight visionaries and the innovative work they are doing in Wards 7 and 8. The mission of the East of the River Innovators Awards is to recognize, encourage and celebrate innovators in a variety of industries who are making an impact in communities East of the River in the District of Columbia.

East of the River Innovators embody the definition of Innovate – to make changes in something established, especially by introducing new methods, ideas, or products. This year’s honorees included a stellar lineup of social activities and leaders in business and industry:

- Ray Bell, Founder of R. Emmanuel Bell Consulting and the H.O.P.E. Project
- Veronica Davis, P.E., Principal Planning Manager and Co-owner of Nspiregreen LLC
- Kymone Freeman, Producer/Director of the National Black LUV Festival and Founder of WE ACT Radio
- Heather Lawson, Esq., Civil Rights Analyst and the Director of Language Access Programs at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights
- Chanceé Lundy, Principal Environmental Manager and Co-Owner of Nspiregreen LLC
- Nikki Peel, Founder of Congress Heights on the Rise and Executive Board Member, Anacostia Business Improvement District
- Aliya Rahman, Program Director at Code for Progress
- David Smith, Executive Director of The Pearl Coalition



3. Partnership Update

The District has been able to successfully provide a robust programming at Gateway DC and the R.I.S.E. Demonstration Center at no cost to the public through established programming partners. In exchange, the District provides free space at Gateway DC and the R.I.S.E. Demonstration Center. To qualify, programs must fall within an established program category meet the following qualifications:

- Programs must be an established programming series for Gateway DC or R.I.S.E. Demonstration Center
- Programs must fit within an established/ approved series or Mayoral led initiative
- The programs must be a series of events (not a one-off event)
- There must be a clear public benefit
- Typical programming that would otherwise be offered by the District (not organizationally driven)
- Free or low cost to the public
- Programs must mesh with available calendars and events

