

LTTA STEERING COMMITTEE: Notes from meeting of Tuesday, September 1st, 2020

Attendees: Ken Fralick, Betty Coules, Ali Megani, Manny Blatt, Safeera Mulla, Judith Scolnik – masked and in-person at 95 - #2701

Ken was pleased to report that he was able to meet with Amit once again to catch us up on recent developments. As we have observed, construction continues around and between 85 and 95 buildings and it is expected that concrete pouring will be done within the next week. Outdoor window washing was not ordered this summer season.

Since the meeting between Amit and Ken dwelled mostly on plans and preparations for dealing with the return to school(s) by many of our tenants' children, our meeting focussed on those plans as well.

As a result, committee members were anxious to provide assistance and suggestions re issues that may or may not have been fully considered. The committee acknowledges that the start of back to school arrangements may not run smoothly and that our intention is to try to ameliorate potential problems before they arise. Our input is in no way intended as criticism of management plans. Rather, it is to recognize that this situation will inconvenience all residents in one way or another and that our goal is to point out considerations that may have been overlooked

SUGGESTIONS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Notices to Tenants:

The notice about elevator usage on school days was appreciated; however, we recommend that much more detailed information plus strong reminders be issued to all tenants as soon as possible.

- Can the Morguard office contact tenants to ask how many children in each household will be attending in-school classes so that there is some idea of how many children per floor will be using the elevators? Knowing how much to be prepared for could be very helpful.
- If so, can the elevators be programmed to work around those numbers and for the floors that may require more stops?
- The intercom system should be used initially and as needed to remind people, for example, that at 8:15 a.m., school children have priority use of the elevators until 9:15 a.m. and then again notification from 3:00 p.m. thru 4:00 p.m.
- **Notices** should be posted in advance with these reminders as well as suggestions that adult tenants plan their own leaving and errand times, especially in the morning, to leave early enough to keep the elevators free for school children.
- These notices should also be posted on the website where possible and appropriate.

Monitors:

There was mention of monitors being assigned to the elevators which clearly will be necessary. Given that elementary, middle school and high school students enter and exit the buildings at different doors and at various times, we wonder whether additional security staff will be hired to man those areas as per the concerns outlined below:

- How will the numbers of people using side, main and back doors be monitored? How will line-ups in halls be managed? Will there be monitors for people entering through the parking garages?

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- When the weather is rainy or cold, how will children be supervised after arriving indoors before boarding elevators?
- Will it be possible to have distanced waiting areas provided in the main lobby or in the party room on B1?
- Will adjustments be made to the cleaning schedule for halls and elevators? At least one elevator is usually on service for cleaners just after the main morning rush – can that timing be changed?

One suggestion re monitors: since **high school students** are normally required to do community service or volunteer work during the school year can we consult with Marc Garneau Collegiate to have student/tenant volunteers to assist with the elevator loading as part of that program.

Hand Sanitizers and Supplies:

It would make sense to have large size containers available at all entrances and exits, including from the garage level and in the laundry rooms. N.B.: committee members have noted the sanitizer in the laundry room is often empty. We suggest that these supplies be checked at least twice daily by the assigned staff members.

Elevator Lobbies:

In the best of times there is often a long wait for elevators and once school starts we expect that to be longer. For elderly and infirm tenants these waits are even more difficult without being able to sit while waiting. It is our understanding that the safety issue is about the flammable materials used in previous seating options – and we urge Morguard to address this issue as soon as possible.

Automated Doors:

We suggest exploring the replacement of the current door openers with those that respond to motion like the “wave” product pictured below. That alternative is being used widely in our hospitals especially in accessible washrooms where its touch-less feature is an added bonus at this time.



Next Tenants' Meeting:

The committee agreed that the next Tenants Meeting will be planned as a Zoom meeting for all those who can participate. The TNO has kindly offered to host that meeting on our behalf.

That meeting will be delayed until October, with the notice to tenants either by posters if possible and/or by email.