2020 AGM of the RVBIA

Committee Reports for IT, Security & South End Construction Mitigation



Information Technology

Each year the IT budget is put aside to prepare for emergency needs each year. Fortunately, we did not have big expenses this year so the funds will be made available for other 2020 objectives.

Security

- Over the past two weeks we've experienced increased incidences of B&Es where rocks were used to break windows.
 - o Apparently, this may not trigger alarm systems depending on how these are setup.
- To improve security, we have made some changes to our communication protocols and hired a security and investigations service.
- We will be reporting to BIA members via social media and email in a 12-24 hour window following each incident. This communication will always include the details available such as: location, time of day, motivation, potential suspect(s), tips for protecting your business and a guide for reporting to Toronto Police Services and the BIA.
- We consulted with TPS and traditional security groups:
 - o It was obvious that patrols would not make a significant impact.
 - o One of our members shared a contact from a different BIA that has taken a better approach.
 - o We met with John Cowan of JCM security services to implement a comprehensive security service.
 - o This will be an investigation driven approach not a patrol and report.
 - The intention is to actually catch the people who are damaging property and targeting businesses in the Roncesvalles area.
- We hope to provide comprehensive details to members in the coming days and you should hear from JMC as they roll out operations in the neighbourhood.

South End Construction

Postponed from 2021 to 2022

Construction at the intersection and on Roncesvalles is delayed until 2022. The other parts of the construction have begun, restoration of the Parkside bridge.

Advance Work	*	September 2020 to February 2021
Stage 1		February 2021 to July 2021
Stage 2		July 2021 to April 2022
Stage 3	<i>◎</i> →	April 2022 to August 2022 Harvard Avenue to Dundas Street West: AODA upgrades to existing TTC platforms



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