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NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING SUMMIT

Saturday May 26, 2007 PROGRAMME

9:30 - 10:00

Registration and coffee

10:00 - 10:10

Welcome and goals for the day:

Sheila Pin

10:15 - 11:00

Panel 1: Stories from the Streets

Moderated by Sheila Pin

Ceta Ramkhalawansingh – Of Southeast Spadina and Secondary Plans

Lin Cheong – Mount Dennis: Lost in Translation

Braz Menezes – Connecting People

11:00 - 11:15

Q & A

11:15 - 12:00

Panel 2: The City's Planning Process: Three Perspectives, Three Solutions

Moderated by Jane Farrow

Howard Cohen – the Developers' view

Tony Coombes – the Planners' view

Matt Blackett – the Community's view

12:00 - 12:15

Q & A

12:15 - 1:00

Lunch (downstairs)

1:00 - 1:15

Keynote luncheon speaker: Mary Rowe

"Sidewalk Smarts: How citizens create vibrancy and resilience"

1:30 - 2:30

Breakout Groups:

1. **Why are we marginalized and what can we do about it?** Why are communities feeling disenfranchised? How should the process be fixed? Can communities, businesses and developers work together on solutions?
2. **Secondary plans, heritage & design control:** Why are we so confused? What are all of these things? Why are they important? And what we can do about getting them in place?
3. **Going provincial:** Should the OMB be reformed? How do provincial policies and legislation affect the City's planning process? Should the OMB or its powers be reformed, at least with respect to the City of Toronto?
4. **Organizing for Change:** How do we really make it happen? It's not enough to talk: we need to act. How do we engage communities in reform, build successful coalitions and move forward?

2:30 - 3:00

Facilitators present goals and suggested action items from groups; wrapup.

Moderated by Dina Graser