



Capitol Hill / Southeast

**EMCAC Meeting
REPORT**

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Architrave, the firm contracted to undertake the Eastern Market strategic plan, briefed EMCAC on the on-line survey it had initiated to elicit views from the wider community on Eastern Market, their patterns of use and views of the Market now and their expectations and preferences for any future evolution of the Market. Updates on survey progress and information on initial responses are available at <https://www.easternmarketplan.org/>. The survey will be available to complete up until February 14th and can be accessed at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/eastern-market-survey>. Architrave has also begun a series of focus groups, targeting specific stakeholder categories and community institutions, to gain further insights into Market operation.

Barry Margeson , the DGS appointed market manager, also gave an update on the status of ongoing negotiations with inside vendors to sign new contracts with higher rents based on new valuations prepared last year by a DGS contracted consultant. Several vendors have accepted the new valuations and are in the process of signing contracts. Others have hired their own experts to provide new valuations and are entering into an arbitration process.