



ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD
APPROVED MINUTES OF MEETING
Greenbelt Community Center
March 20, 2019
Minutes Prepared by Molly Porter

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM
BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Keith Chernikoff, Nicole Williams, Isabelle Gournay, Ben Friedman, Syed Shamim, and Jim Drake
ABSENT WAS: Maria Silvia Miller
COUNCIL LIAISON PRESENT: Mayor Pro Tem J. Davis
STAFF PRESENT: Molly Porter and Judith Howerton
ALSO PRESENT: Grace Fielder (Grace E Fielder & Associates), Maura Hancock (Condominium Venture, Inc.), John Kerich (Windsor Green), John Campanile (Pedestrian and Bicycle Subcommittee)

II. Agenda approved as amended

III. Minutes approved as amended

IV. Pedestrian and Bicycle Subcommittee Update

Mr. Campanile was present at the Board meeting to provide an update on the Pedestrian and Bicycle Subcommittee. He reported that the Subcommittee met the previous week and a copy of the draft minutes were sent to Ms. Porter and Mr. Chernikoff. At the Subcommittee meeting budget suggestions were discussed including bicycle parking recommendations. The Subcommittee's discussion of bicycle parking included the replacement of bicycle racks at the youth center and installation of bicycle racks at Buddy Attick Park. Mayor Pro Tem Davis raised that the redesign of the Buddy Attick Parking lot would be an appropriate time to install bicycle parking at that location.

Mr. Chernikoff inquired about what number of bicycle racks the Board would like to recommend to Council to install. Mr. Drake suggested that the Board determine the areas that bicycle racks are needed rather than picking a number based on the cost of installation. Mr. Chernikoff noted that he saw seven (7) places where he felt bicycle racks should be installed.

Another topic that was discussed by the Subcommittee was installing signage near the Spellman Overpass. The Board favored the installation of a rest station that could include a map and information about what will be seen at the Roosevelt Center. At this time the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board arrived for a joint presentation from representatives from Windsor Green so the Board agreed to table this discussion for later in the meeting.

V. Discussion of Proposed Plans for the Renovation of the Windsor Green Community Center

Representatives from Windsor Green were at the meeting to present proposed plans for the renovation of the Windsor Green Community Center. Ms. Fielder discussed the plans which include, removing the existing gray wall along Greenbelt Road, removing two of the five tennis courts, and the relocation of the maintenance area to the corner of Greenbelt Road and Frankfort Drive. Mr. Drake raised concerns about the location of the maintenance building. The representatives from Windsor

Green responded that the maintenance area which will be enclosed by an eight (8) foot sight- tight fence is set back from Greenbelt Road and will be landscaped.

There was then discussion about the location of the fence around the perimeter of the property and the height of the fence. The representatives noted that the six (6) foot fence will not enclose the property, but where the fence ends is where the bulk of the trees will be planted. The Board also noted a concern about the view from Greenbelt Road.

Members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board were concerned with the type of surface material that will be used on the playground area. It was also noted that the tennis courts should be marked for pickleball. Ms. Gournay asked if this proposal had been discussed with the Public Works Department specifically with regards to sustainable elements that could be incorporated into the design. Ms. Howerton noted that the representatives will also be presenting these plans to the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability (Green ACES).

The Board then discussed parking and how the existing parking lot will change with the proposed plans. The representatives noted that forty-one (41) parking spaces are required by Prince George's County code. The proposed plans show seventy-five (75) spaces which includes forty-two (42) regular sized spaces, twenty-nine (29) compact spaces, and four (4) handicap spaces. The plan proposes to remove six (6) existing spaces in order to tighten the site. When asked about the occupancy of the site Ms. Hancock noted that on National Night Out the parking lot was much fuller than normal and at that time only about 30 spaces were used at a time. Mr. Drake noted that additional parking spaces should be removed and asked for that issue to be raised in the APB report on this topic.

Mr. Chernikoff summarized the Board's concerns saying that what he understood from the conversation was that the Board generally supported the concept, but would like to see more creative ways to deal with stormwater including but not limited to cisterns and rain barrels, improving screening along Greenbelt Road, and a reduction of parking. The Board voted 5-0 (with one member abstaining) to support with recommendations the proposed plans for the renovation of the Windsor Green Community Center.

After the discussion of the renovation of the Windsor Green Community Center the Board agreed to table all other agenda items to the next meeting due to the time.

- VI. Cost and Quantity of Bicycle Racks
This item was deferred to a later agenda.
- VII. Discussion of the Complete and Green Streets Policy
This item was deferred to a later agenda.
- VIII. Discussion of traffic calming along Ridge Road
This item was deferred to a later agenda.
- IX. New Business
No new business was discussed
- X. The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 pm.