



**ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD
APPROVED MINUTES OF MEETING
Greenbelt Community Center
October 26, 2011
Minutes Prepared by Jaime Fearer**

I. The meeting was called to order at 7:40 pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: George Branyan, Joyce Gladstone, Brian Gibbons, Keith Chernikoff, and Jeff Lemieux

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Jaime Fearer, Terri Hruby, and Amy Hofstra.

OTHER ATTENDEES: Robert Dennis of AMT (engineers) and Chuck Floeck of Prince George's County Public Schools

II. Agenda was approved.

III. The minutes of September 7, 2011 were approved. Jeff Lemieux was introduced as the newest Board member.

IV. Greenbelt Middle School – Breezewood Drive Improvements

- PGCPs is looking into whether or not a crossing guard will be present.
- No parking on school-side of Breezewood Dr. from the playground to Springhill Lane.
- 155-foot sightline exists when looking down the street toward Edmonston Road
- Staff would like the sidewalk to connect to the playground walkway with removal of extraneous curb cut.
- Question: if 25 mph speed limit can be lowered to 15/20 mph because of the school zone; no definitive answer, but if reduced below 25 mph, flashers must be present. Traffic calming included in the current plan should reduce speeds considerably.
- Mr. Branyan asked about advanced speed hump notice – there are “hump” signs among the many additional signs.
- If “Fines Doubled” sign is not posted, the City cannot charge increased amount – Amy pointed out that these are missing on Edmonston Road.
- Ms. Hruby asked about possibly including “School” pavement marking similar to what is currently installed by Springhill Lake E.S. – Mr. Branyan noted that the markings need to be refreshed every 2-3 years.

- Ms. Hruby noted the need for a crosswalk across Springhill Lane at its intersection with Breezewood Drive.
- Ms. Hruby commented on the need to formalize the connection from Greenbelt Road to the pedestrian connection adjacent to the bus lot.
- Ms. Hruby requested the street lighting plan for the Breezewood Drive frontage.
- Additional comments from Board asking if a crosswalk could be installed across Breezewood Drive just west of Springhill Lane. Mr. Branyan added suggestion of installing a crosswalk at the back of the refuge in the median of Breezewood Drive. Mr. Dennis suggests option of introducing a new stop sign at the intersection, creating a 3-way stop.
- The need for a new crosswalk at Edmonston Road and Breezewood drive was noted.
- Mr. Branyan asked about bike parking on the school campus. Mr. Dennis pointed out that it will be installed on the west side of the building, though not sure of the final style for the racks. Mr. Branyan suggested a series of “U” racks. Mr. Floeck noted that PGCPS is aiming for LEED Gold, and they will look into pervious concrete or grasscrete.
- Mr. Chernikoff asked about handicapped parking and side entrance accessibility. Chuck assured the Board that the side entrance is accessible to the administrative offices.

V. Review of last meetings discussion on the roundabout at Cherrywood Lane and Metro Access Drive

VI. Pedestrian & Bicycle Master Plan

- Ms. Hofstra will send out the color-coded matrix to the Board again and will collect responses and compile the results in time for the next meeting.

VII. Future meeting dates were set: 11/16/11, 12/7/11, 1/4/12, and 1/18/12. Ms. Fearer will let the community center know of changes in dates. The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 pm.