



**ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD  
APPROVED MINUTES OF MEETING  
Greenbelt Community Center  
June 3, 2009  
Minutes Prepared by Amy Hofstra**

Meeting was called to order at 7:39pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT WERE Brian Gibbons, Keith Chernikoff, Jim Cohen, Sandra Lange, and George Branyan.

CITY STAFF PRESENT WAS Amy Hofstra.

OTHER ATTENDEES present included Bill Orleans and Fred Gasper.

The agenda and the minutes of May 20th were approved without any changes. Mr. Branyan summarized some of the events that occurred at the Stakeholder's meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Gibbons noted that many of the residents were from NASA or historic Greenbelt. He suggested the Board be careful about catering to a few projects because more people with a special interest attended meetings. Mr. Branyan mentioned that he learned of some new problems, such as the need for more bus stops in the southbound direction along Cherrywood.

The Board then discussed the need to publicize the community walk website. Suggestions included an article in the News Review, a posting on the Greenbelters Listserv, letters to local civic associations, postings at local bus stops, and a Spanish language version. Ms. Hofstra indicated that she would follow up with these suggestions. Mr. Branyan would take responsibility for posting something on the Listserv.

The Board then discussed their next steps. Mr. Chernikoff asked that the consultant come to the next meeting, or provide a memo with an update on their progress.

Mr. Gasper then spoke to the Board about his experiences walking and biking through the City and the County. He suggested that Bowie had a high quality wayfinding system that the City might emulate. Mr. Gasper also volunteered to share his large collection of pictures of local trails and sidewalks with the consultant. In particular, Mr. Gasper would review the CommunityWalk webpage and find photos of the locations identified by residents. Ms. Hofstra agreed to contact the consultant to determine how best to share information from Mr. Gasper with the consultant.

The Board then discussed some policy decisions that they might recommend the City adopt. These included policies requiring all pedestrian and bicycle facilities to be replaced after construction; and requiring that new street projects be reviewed for opportunities to improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

The Board adjourned at 8:50 pm.