

TOWN OF CHEVY CHASE
COUNCIL MEETING
June 9, 2021

This is a summary of the Council's actions at the June 9, 2021 Council meeting. Detailed meeting minutes are posted once they are approved by the Town Council at the next regular Council meeting.

I. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Approved meeting minutes.
- Discussed financial report.
- Heard Town Manager's report. Discussed Town office reopening plans and plans to resume in-person Council meetings. Discussed the deployment of technology to continue to allow remote participation in Council meetings.
- Heard public comments.

II. COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS

- Discussed the status of the 4-H Center property sale and reviewed the results of the Town's survey regarding potential redevelopment of the property. Agreed to distribute the results of the survey via Town Crier immediately.
- Discussed the status of the Farm Women's Market redevelopment project, noting that the developer and the County have reached agreement on structuring the development and that the developer is now beginning work on preparing a Site Plan to submit to the Planning Board. The project still includes constructing a significant park on the parking lot behind the Market and converting the entire surface parking lot between Leland Street and Walsh Street to a park. The County intends to ask the Town to contribute to the funding of the project. It also will propose decreasing the number of parking spaces in the planned underground garage. The Council discussed the need to engage with residents regarding this project by asking the developer to re-present the plans to the Town and asking the County Department of Transportation to present the plan and rationale for the reduction in the number of underground parking spaces.
- Discussed the status of the Purple Line project.
- Discussed the Town's response to County's general plan update (Thrive Montgomery 2050) and the Town's policy position regarding multi-family housing within Town.
- Discussed the distribution and use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) relief funds. Agreed to develop a list of potential projects that may be eligible for ARPA funding and to seek an opinion from the Town attorney and guidance from the U.S. Treasury to ensure appropriate use of the funds.
- Discussed Zimmerman Park improvements. Agreed to pursue both a short and long-term approach to improvements and activated use of the space.
- Discussed outstanding considerations related to the Town-wide traffic study. Agreed to ask the Town traffic engineer to examine some alternative traffic mitigation and calming measures and to study technologies to increase pedestrian safety and traffic signal compliance.
- Agreed to schedule work sessions as needed to discuss and address pressing matters between monthly Council meetings.

III. ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting was adjourned at 9:32 p.m.