

Town of Chevy Chase Long Range Planning (LRP) Committee

June 18, 2008

Marty Saggese, notetaker

Attending: Pat Burda (Chair); Mary Anne Hoffman, John Navratil, Tina Coplan, Charles Duffy, Tammy Harris, Steve Seidel, Bruce Douglas, Marty Saggese; David Lublin (Council Liaison)

1. Structure of LRP Committee

- 1.1. dealing with two complex issues: Purple Line/transportation, and local development projects
- 1.2. need for 2 subcommittees
 - 1.2.1. Bethesda-Chevy Chase Development subcommittee: chaired by Steve Seidel; Tammy, John & David volunteered.
 - 1.2.2. Purple Line subcommittee: chaired by Pat; Tina, Mary Anne, Marty, & Bruce volunteered.
- 1.3. role of the subcommittees is to bring structured proposals or recommendations to the full committee
- 1.4. both subcommittees will need to include a focus on continuing to build relations and communications with other communities.

2. Bethesda Development

- 2.1. Pier 1 site – issue of “transfer of development rights”. Project seems to be on a slow track; need to consider what the Town’s position should be.
- 2.2. Bethesda Lot 31 – discussion related to refinancing of project with County money. Committee discussed when is it appropriate for the Town to make formal statement and get involved. Decided that this was not the time but need to follow developments.
- 2.3. Bethesda Bikeways Project (Bethesda Ave.-Woodmont) – plan calls for removal of street/sidewalk trees to make room for bike path.
 - 2.3.1. need to draft comments
 - 2.3.2. Pat B. to get more information
 - 2.3.3. Inclination is to recommend Town make statement against proposal – will wait until more information gathered.
- 2.4. Woodmont East – issue of playground changes as part of off-site amenity; Susan Reynolds from the Public Services Committee will be the Town liaison on that project but she will be in contact with our committee as well. Issue of concern to our committee is making sure developer follows through on County requirement as part of development plan.
- 2.5. Planning Board appointments – Committee discussed upcoming candidates for two vacancies on Planning Board.

3. Purple Line

- 3.1. The Chair commended everybody for their efforts on the May 31 event
- 3.2. Update on recent meetings
 - 3.2.1. May 30th meeting
 - 3.2.2. Discussed future actions
- 3.3. Focus with SSE in the near term will be on preparation for meetings with State representatives
- 3.4. Respond to DEIS once released

Meeting adjourned