

December 7 Community Advisory Committee meeting

Attendees (Committee Members): Al Muller, Committee Chairman; Karin Liva; Sheila Footer; Michael Mezey; Mary McMahon; David Cohen

Attendees (Council members): David Lewis, Committee Liaison; Melanie White

Attendees (Visitors): Alex Kielty; Elaine El-Khawas

- Old Business
 - Parking Enforcement: David Cohen and Mary McMahon would like to change the language on the parking signs to clarify that one may not move to another space within the parking district within 2 hours.
 - Motion [passed]: Request that council direct the staff to review the existing language on the parking signs and attempt to clarify the fact that parkers moving their cars within the parking district will not reset the 2 hour parking limit. *Addendum*: After taking a look at the signs throughout the Village, Al Muller and David Lewis concluded that the sign language is explicit and there is no need for staff to review.
 - David Cohen suggested that parking enforcement can hand out fliers detailing the parking rules within the village.
- Discussion
 - Parcel 6:
 - Mary McMahon: The village should request that any parcel 6 development include parking space set aside for village use
 - David Cohen: We should be wary of relying as a source of information on parcel 6 matters on a potential party to the transaction
 - Michael Mezey: There is no current development plan for the CAC to consider.
 - David Cohen: The strategic plan from the strategic planning sub-committee indicates a “proactive” approach to parcel 6 development. If council approves the language, it should be obliged to draw up its own development plan for parcel 6 in advance of any developer proposal.
 - Villages Project
 - Al: Dr. Rabin is interested in having the head of the Villages Concept make a presentation to the CAC. Al responded that he was uncomfortable receiving the presentation given that the council has already been approached. Sheila Footer, a CAC member, can keep the committee involved.
 - Sheila Footer: The Villages concept has been incorporated: “Friendship Heights Neighbors Network”.
 - Pedestrian Safety
 - Motion [passed]: Pedestrian crosswalk signs should not be removed, but rather replaced when they become too damaged for further use.

- Neighborhood aesthetics
 - Alex Kielty (Visitor): Is the staff in contact with the management at 5550 Friendship Blvd regarding tree replacement?
- Next Meeting
 - Next CAC meeting January 4th, 5:30 PM