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Approved Minutes

Friendship Heights Village Council Communications Committee Monday, December 4, 2023

Council Communications Committee members present: Martha Solt, Melanie White.

Others present: Julian Mansfield, Jason Goldstein, Bobby Pestronk, Roy Schaeffer; one Village resident.

At 7 p.m., Ms. Solt called the meeting of the Friendship Heights Village Council Communications Committee to order. Ms. Solt presented the following item for discussion:

Public Information Act Policy

Ms. Solt reported that the Village's Public Information Act policy needs to be updated since it was adopted in 2015. She presented an updated policy based on a model provided by the Maryland Attorney General's office. Ms. White indicated that livestreaming video is now considered a public record, and that the Village should provide transcripts of the Council meeting recordings for those with limited access to technology. Staff will follow up with the contractor that records the Council meetings to inquire about providing a printed transcript of the meeting.

The Committee recommended that the updated Public Information Act be presented to the Village Council for approval at the December 11 Council meeting.

No other action was taken by the Communications Committee. The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Martha Solt 11/4/2024

Martha Solt, Council Secretary