Community Advisory Committee Minutes March 5, 2024

Attending: Ken Niles (Vice-Chair), Stephanie Clipper, Bill Corey, David Churchill, Bill Lewis, Cameron Moody, Al Muller, Ethel Pacheco, Evan Smith; Cheryl Tyler (Council Liaison)

Excused: Joe Bucherer (Chair), Sheila Footer, Prem Garg, Sandy Schwarzbart

Note taker: Al Muller

Meeting was held at the Village Center and called to order by the Vice Chair at 6 pm.

Topics discussed:

1) **<u>Page Park</u>**: in response to questions about progress in Page Park, Village Council Liaison Tyler indicated there had been many resolutions of pending outstanding issues and progress continues in getting a County permit.

2) **Traffic Signal at Hills Plaza & Willard Avenue:** concern was expressed that the absence of a four way stoplight is confusing to vehicles turning off Hills Plaza onto Willard and can be dangerous for pedestrians trying to cross; merits further discussion with County by Julian

3) <u>County Council measure to eliminate parking requirements near transit</u> <u>hubs:</u> new measure announced today to encourage the development of housing, including affordable units, near transit corridors.

4) **Requirement to replace circuit breaker in apartment units:** the Willoughby representatives indicated their building insurance company was requiring condo unit owners to pay for replacement of their circuit breakers; it is likely that other buildings will do likewise.

5) **Police patrols:** several representatives expressed appreciation for the new police presence in the Village and felt their presence was contributing to decreased speed of cars within the Village and a greater sense of security by residents, despite the high cost.

Council Liaison Cheryl Tyler reported on numerous items of interest to the Village, including: 1) slow but steady progress in resolving Page Park issues; 2) pending legislation in Annapolis concerning possible rent stabilization; 3) County crime prevention bills allowing camera installation on business streets; and 4) installation of additional speed bumps and reflective paint to be painted and installed when weather warms.

Meeting ended: 7:10 pm

Next meeting: April 2nd, 6 pm in Village Center