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Meeting Minutes - Approved TRIANGLE AND MONONA BAY NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AD HOC STEERING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, July 11, 2018

5:30 PM

Bayview Community Center
601 Bayview, 2nd Floor Community Room

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Jared J. Pelski; DeWayne T. Gray; Elizabeth (Betsy) Johnson; Maria Espinoza; Curtis V. Brink; Mike Brasser; Sariah J. Daine; Alexis London and Yvette Jones

Excused: 2 - Chad J. Ruppel and Dia Xiong

APPROVAL OF June 6, 2018 MINUTES

Johnson suggested amending the June 6 minutes as follows: Johnson suggested not allocating time at certain points during the meeting for public comments, so that staff presentations are not prolonged and there is more time for committee discussion. Pelski suggested continuing the discussion around transportation pattern alternatives at the next meeting.

A motion was made by Pelski, seconded by Brasser, to Approve the June 6, 2018 Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sue Hoffenberg indicated that she strongly supports Gray's comments at the last meeting about maintaining neighborhood character.

Mark Noble indicated that any more streets would detract from the ability to increase the number of housing units, and from the neighborhood character. Mark also addressed the need for increased wheelchair accessibility saying that wherever stairs are, ramps should be as well.

Comments written during meeting and submitted to staff are attached to these minutes.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

1. [50249](#) Planning Process

No Discussion

2. [51453](#) Plan Development

Horvath and Van Lith introduced an exercise where Committee members broke into two small groups and reviewed and discussed what they liked and did not like about 4 Draft

Urban Design Alternatives with different building type and transportation connection options.

Small Group Report Out

Group 1 -

- Everyone feels safe now on the Triangle
- Access to Triangle is confusing, how can we improve connectivity without adding too many streets and vehicles
- Dead-end Braxton Plc. is confusing; because it's a double boulevard, people sometimes turn left to exit Triangle, in front of the boulevard rather than driving all the way around
- Alts 1, 2, 3 cut up the community too much and decrease sense of safety
- Alt 4 is better but not quite there yet
- Like improving pedestrian/bike access

Group 2

- Understand that if the number of housing units increases, traffic will increase
- Likely to need to accommodate increased traffic with a street
- Like E. Campus Mall extension, could be narrowed in some segments to accommodate street and driveway crossings
- Need to add more safe crossings of major roads. GAC report includes them. Our Plan should too.

Large Group - What do we like about current street - Braxton Plc.

- Provides route for elementary school bus
- Emergency vehicle access
- Access for residents and visitors
- Feels like a safe street since it dead-ends. Parents feel safe letting kids out to play.

Large Group - Greenspace

- Do we need more greenspace on the Triangle, especially since Brittingham Park is difficult to access?
- Does the existing greenspace - playground and green square - adequately serve population?
- For Bayview, it's close to residents and that's positive
- It creates connectivity between CDA residents and Bayview residents
- Does not have to stay where it is however
- Maybe could use more greenspace in between buildings - pockets?
- People do like and use the greenspace they have now

Motion to Suspend Rules to allow for Public Comments - Motion passed by voice vote

Continued Public Comment

- Sue Hoffenberg - she and other residents that live on the bayside of the area like density of area the way it is; no high density, especially as shown for building type D & E; how many people will live in the neighborhood with this plan? Who are the buildings going to be for?
- Mary Berryman - What about designing Triangle area as a campus for residents; housing organized around a central green with alleyways for access and connection - parking possibly on alleyways.

Large Group Take Aways

- Could Planning staff create another Alternative 4 with multiple versions of one thru-street? Then state rationale for each option. How will the various options improve connectivity, access, etc.
- Maintain existing density

- Consider adding some affordable housing units but don't grossly increase density
- Possibly add one well-designed street that is safe for residents and provides good access and connectivity
- There is a want for only one road in the triangle, and possibly just a reconfiguration of Braxton Place
- Need traffic/parking plan with new street design
- Add greenspace to alternatives
- Include improvements for biking and walking
- Include accessibility improvements for people with disabilities
- Improve way-finding - signage, other
- Need for clarification on how many units will be added, and what the intentions of the CDA are
- The CDA is waiting for the planning department to create a plan before they look to make any moves, but they cannot add additional subsidized units
- Bayview residents have a desire for townhomes with green space and private entryways and that walkability and access is important to them
- Bayview feels as if they will not be able to provide quality services if there is an influx of new residents
- There is a general anxiety amongst the committee concerning the August 23 deadline

3. [50796](#)

Next Steps

City staff will bring additional urban design ideas to the next meeting and the committee will continue its discussion of draft urban design concepts. The committee will decide what to present at the Open House as well. The group is concerned that they may not be ready with design alternatives that include street connections and building types for the Open House.

The next meeting will take place August 1, 5:30 p.m. at Bayview Community Center, 601 Bayview.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Pelski, seconded by Gray, to Adjourn at 8:00 p.m. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

All materials prepared for this Steering Committee will be available at the following link:
<http://www.cityofmadison.com/dpced/planning/triangle-monona-bay-plan/2569/>