

Wiehle Avenue Subcommittee
MEETING MINUTES/SUMMARY
August 4, 2010

Public Comments

1. Kathy Kaplan (2020 Reston) – expressed concerns about building height and density proposed by latest version of FAR map
 - Building heights should be concentrated south of Sunset Hills/Wiehle/ potentially extend east
 - 2.5 FAR will smother area/undermine town center
2. Question – if prior FAR map implements – how many new workers + residents?
3. John (?) – Should create incentives/street retail/proffers for completion of the soapstone connection

Presentation/Comments – Mike Saale, Peter Lawrence Company Isaac Newton Sq.

- a) recognized opportunity to move forward in near term
- b) Wanted a pedestrian connection to the Metro
- c) Residential opportunity, but do not forget office is successful as well

Andy – Paul – Emphasized Parking & Coordinated development
- trail connection/NVPA trail beforehand

David Gill – Every square foot of TOD generates less traffic, requires less services, and results in more taxes

Bill Penniman –
- explanation of “by-right” lower/considerable community reg. power
- Commercial property owner through higher taxes
- Thought 5.0 FAR is too high/Constock is only 2.5 FAR
- RAJ – asked question on how density is calculated
-Present residents & staff to 50/50 (protecting existing neighborhoods) through access
-Density base versus residents needed FAR – infrastructure help first
-Joe Starry – subcommittee meeting 2 units; jobs
Ratio of what’s working
-Maggie – Comstock/proffers significant and support density
-Cathleen – public art is practical/must be attractive for business

- Sunset Hills – Paul (crossing north shore) elevated connection/bridge
- Kathy Kaplan – coordinated open space
- Inter-connectivity = tunnel – who maintains?
- Bellaschi/Bernstein – underpass not tunnel

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