

Minutes from the Seven Corners Task Force January 8, 2013

Meeting called into order at 7:00 PM Mason District Government Center

Attendance:

Task Force: John Thillmann, Mary Ellen Ward, Jim Edmondson, Iqbal Khaiy, Paul Byrtus, Martin Faga, Nathan Bath, Blake Smith, and Jim McIlvaine, By Telephone: Vincent Burke and Pat Hoar.

Staff: Elizabeth Hagg, Matt Flis, JoAnne Fiebe, Aaron Frank and Bernie Suchicital and Aaron Frank representing Supervisor Gross

The minutes for the December 11, 2012 meeting were approved

A question was raised about the work plan and when we will move into the deliberations on land use phase. John Thillmann stated that the Task Force will be given a schedule for the next steps in June.

Another question was raised on the work plan and apparently some members are unaware that the Task Force Work Plan is available on both the Mason District and the Fairfax County Office of Community Revitalization web sites.

Four items were discussed by the Task Force before the evening's agenda on Mixed Use Development:

1. John Thillmann informed the Task Force that the Mason District School Board member requested time to make a presentation to the TF. John and the staff agreed there is time available at the March 12 TF meeting. The schools presentation that evening will be in addition to the presentation by each of the subcommittees on the status of their deliberations.
2. The email on housing and affordability sent by Jim Edmondson was briefly discussed and, while his suggestions were originally made as potential amendments to the December Minutes, it was decided by the Task Force that the points he made in the email should be considered as we go into the land use phase of our deliberations after the June/July timeframe.
3. The Task Force agreed to add a presentation by member of the County's Master Arts Plan (MAP) Task Force to its April 9th meeting. In addition to learning about the MAP, it will be an opportunity to explore ideas for the Seven Corners area. The second item that evening will be a revisit of the visioning material.
4. The Task Force agreed to a time frame of late April or early May (sometime prior to the May 14 Task Force meeting) for a bus tour of the Seven Corners area. The bus tour will be organized by the staff and coordinated with Supervisor Gross's office as she will also be invited to participate. The subcommittee members will be invited as well. Any unfilled seats will be available on a first come-first serve basis to the public at large.

Staff made the presentation (Matt Flis and Joanne Fiebe) on Mixed Use Development and its applicability to our deliberations on Seven Corners land use and its development options. The presentation was to have included Frederick Rothmeijer (MRP Realty) but he was locked in traffic in DC and was not able to make it.

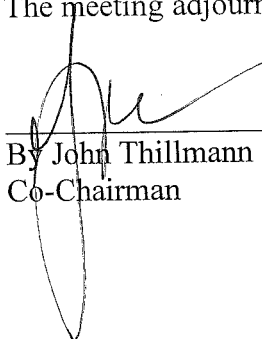
The mixed use projects that were presented were:

- Rockville Town Square
- Shirlington Village
- Reston Town Center
- Fairfax Corner
- Mosaic District

There was general discussion on each and a number of members raised financial, marketing, land use and consolidation questions.

The task force decided to have the staff recap the presentation as a refresher just prior to its land use deliberations in June/July and will invite back Mr. Rothmeijer or, if he is not available, another mixed use developer.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00PM



By John Thillmann
Co-Chairman

February 12, 2013
Date