

Environmental Sustainability Committee Meeting

June 1st, 2016, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Sherwood Community Center, Art Room

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to order and welcome

Meeting called to order by Jon Buttram at 7:15 p.m. Attendance is listed below.

Type	Name	Attendance
Member	Adam Basinger	Present
Member	Charish Bishop	Present
Member	Jon Buttram	Present
Member	Mark Chandler	Present
Member	Susan Crate	Absent
Member	Judy Fraser	Present
Member, Chair	Timothy Killian	Present
Member	Bruce Knight	Present
Member	Michael Lee	Present
Staff	Stefanie Kupka	Present
Staff	Cindy Petkac	Present
Guest	Betsy Bicknell	Present
Guest	Marianna Lipold	Present
Guest	Janet Jaworski	Present
Guest	Faiza Alam	Present
Guest	Lanier Middle School Student Team and Families	Present

2. Consideration of the May 10, 2016 meeting minutes

Michael Lee moved to adopt the minutes as presented, seconded by Judy Fraser and carried unanimously.

3. Lanier Middle School Presentation

A team of Lanier Middle School Students presented a 3D design model of an idealized community that utilized sustainable development principles. The design was based on the actual topographic location of Kamp Washington area in the City of Fairfax. Lanier Middle School Science Teacher, Faiza Alam, provided guidance and support throughout the project.

4. 2035 Comprehensive Plan Presentation

- **Guest: Cindy Petkac, Planning Division Chief**

The Planning Division Chief, Cindy Petkac, presented information on the development of the new Comprehensive Plan. She gave a general overview of the Comprehensive Plan process, public engagement strategy, chapter outline, content areas and schedule. The ESC discussed the plan and provided the following recommendations:

- Identify, track and improve pervious/impervious areas; waste reduction and recycling; stream health; water quality; LEED certified (or equivalent) buildings; ecosystems; green space connectivity; contiguous natural habitat areas; invasive plants and tree canopy.
- Incorporate desired aspects of the Fairfax Blvd Plan into the new Comprehensive Plan.
- Update the Chapter 4 title to 'Natural Environment' and integrate sustainability as a theme throughout the document.
- Provide clear definitions for open space, green space, recreation areas, etc.
- Golf course: Identify what actions the City can take to preserve this area as open space if the property is ever sold.

5. Chair and Vice-Chair Elections

Judy Fraser moved to elect Tim Killian as the Chair, seconded by Jon Buttram and carried unanimously.

The committee decided to hold the Vice-Chair elections at the July 6th meeting.

6. FY16 budget

Tim Killian moved to approve spending the remaining FY16 ESC budget to purchase native plants for the Historic Blenheim/Civil War Interpretive Center, which was approved unanimously.

7. Development Review Projects

- **Breezeway/Fairfax Gardens**
- **New: 4131 Chain Bridge Rd/Davies Property**

The committee discussed the latest status of the Breezeway/Fairfax Gardens development project.

Stefanie Kupka presented a new development review project that may be of interest to the ESC. A brief description of the project can be found below.

Applicant: Paradigm Development Company

Location: 4131 Chain Bridge Road

Description: Proposed redevelopment of 2.69 ac property w/ one existing single family home to six-story structure with 315 multifamily units facing University and Chain Bridge with above grade garage in the middle accessed from University Dr.

Request: Rezone from R-2 to RPD with the Old Town Redevelopment Option. Special exceptions to perimeter open space, lot coverage and parking garage screening

8. Chairperson's items

Tim welcomed Charish Bishop to the ESC. She was appointed to the committee on May 24th.

9. Committee items

Judy noted that Fairfax High School is planting native plants on June 2nd.

10. Staff items

No comments

11. Public comments

No comments

12. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. Next regular ESC meeting is July 6th, 2015 @ 7 p.m.

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