

**SSUDAC Meeting Summary**  
**March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**Members Present:** Brian Abramson, Diana Brown, Carmen Camacho, Dan Figueroa, Jeffrey Musselman, Mel Tull

**Members Absent:** Mussie Betre, David Fogel, Daniel Morales, Amy Poisson

**Call to Order and Introductions:**

- The meeting was called to order at 3:34 p.m.

**Police Briefing & Crime Report**

Lt. Jennifer McNeal, Montgomery County Police, Third District

- Lt. McNeal provided a brief overview of crime incidents in the downtown and surrounding areas over the last 4-6 weeks.
- A shoplifter with a knife was reported in an incident on March 6<sup>th</sup>. No injuries were reported and the suspects involved fled.
- On March 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>, 8 vehicles were broken in to on Violet Dr., outside of the central business district. No signs of entry were left and only small items were taken.

**Update on Elizabeth Square**

Susan Reutershan, Lerch, Early & Brewer, Chtd.

- Ms. Susan Reutershan provided an update on the Elizabeth Square development project located at Fenwick, Apple and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenues.
- Elizabeth Square is a mixed-use development that, with the new project plan, now combines senior/affordable housing with a County regional aquatic & recreation center.
- A mixed use preliminary plan for updates to the development has been approved.
- The committee voted unanimously to send a letter of support for the project plan amendments.

### **Optional Method Development Update**

Richard A. Bingham, Chief of Operations, Silver Spring Urban District

- Mr. Bingham discussed the status of remaining optional method development properties that need to be added to the County's billing list. Urban District staff are working to compile billing addresses and contacts.
- The Finance department and the County Attorney's office are providing guidance on how to handle billing or service questions and concerns from property managers.

### **Silver Spring Urban District Report**

Richard A. Bingham, Chief of Operations, Silver Spring Urban District

- Mr. Bingham gave an overview of current Urban District goals and recent activities, including a walk with State Highway Administration (SHA) to discuss CSX bridge maintenance and upkeep.
- Committee members discussed suggestions for updated holiday decorations, including banners for seasonal and non-seasonal use. The discussion was tabled and the purchase of decorations postponed until further discussion in April.

### **Regional Area Director's Report**

Reemberto Rodriguez, Director, Silver Spring Regional Center

- Mr. Rodriguez provided an overview of upcoming meetings and events, including a tour of Walter Reed and meeting with the Planning department.
- The Metro penguin mural will be restored and updated at its former site under the Silver Spring metro station platform.
- Taste the World in Fenton Village will take place on May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:28 p.m.