



Mid-County Citizens Advisory Board (MCCAB)

Wheaton Library & Community Recreation Center, 11701 Georgia Avenue, Wheaton, MD

Call to Order:	Louis Mozzano, Chair			Respectfully Submitted by: Susanna Parker	
Date/ Time:	January 21, 2019; 7:00 PM ET				
Attendees:	X	Adjogah, Mensah <i>(Board Vice Chair/Parliamentarian)</i>		Lustig, Adam <i>(Board Secretary)</i>	X Parker, Susanna
	X	Brooks, Lynda		Manger, Jacqueline	X Sachs, Alan
	X	Cande, Haja	X	Masse, Kurt	X Tankersley, Judy
	X	Davis, Chad	X	Mozzano, Louis <i>(Board Chair)</i>	X Walton, Simone
	X	Gelman, Michael	X	Myers, Crystal	
Staff:	Luisa Montero, Director, Mid-County Regional Services Center Shawn Morris, Executive Assistant, Mid County Regional Service Center				
Guests:	Chris Bolton, ECCAB; Scott Goldstein, Fire Chief; William Bentley, ECCAB; Valeria Carranza, CoS Councilmember Evan Glass				

Call to Order: 7:00 PM by Louis Mozzano, Chair

Introductions: Members and guests introduced themselves.

Agenda/Minutes: 01/21/20 agenda was approved. 12/17/19 minutes approved.

Community Concerns: No community concerns shared.

Mid-County Regional Director Update:

- A written update was provided

Fire & Rescue Update, Fire Chief Scott Goldstein:

- Not sure what FY21 budget will look like for FRS.
- Leisure World station construction is coming along. Old part majority demolished, firefighters have moved into the new half of the station.
- So far fire activities have been moderate this winter. There was one notable incident with fireplace ashes.
- Alternative destination initiative started November 1st, and has seen an impact. Small reduction in total number of EMS calls.
- Another protocol change initiated by the State: if the person is not in need of a gurney, they can go directly to triage in the hospital in lieu of emergency room bed.
- FRS has a deficit of 180 people, working to make up the difference and hire more FTE positions.



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- Working to divorce the paramedic from the cot – paramedic travels in a separate car to call, so that when paramedic isn't needed they can return to the station to be available for another call. There are two full-time chase cars; one at Arcola and one at Aspen Hill. They want six more to meet the needs of higher density areas.

County Council Update:

- Per the Executive, he will not be calling it BRT until there are dedicated lanes throughout the system.
- As of today there have been 23 pedestrian incidents; 11 were in crosswalks, 3 on the sidewalk, 11 where there was no crosswalk. 3 of these incidents have resulted in death. There will be another Vision Zero town hall on Sunday February 9th at Wheaton High School. The Vision Zero Coordinator has been hired and will begin in the next few weeks.
- New bill that will get rid of the old legislation requiring bicycles to be registered and allowing police to fine unregistered bicycles and seize them.
- CIP: reduced tax supported projects by 4.3% under the Council's recommendation. The Council has already begun hearing from constituents requesting funding be restored to certain projects.
- Regarding Bill 34-19: government operations committee is waiting for the OMB fiscal impact statement before doing the markup. The Executive is not including it as part of his budget.
- Councilmember Glass will be donating the Pride flag flown by the Council to the Montgomery County Historical Society.
- Tomorrow (1/22) is the Point in Time event where the Council counts those suffering homelessness.

East County CAB Update:

- Anticipating the BRT opening within the next 90 days. In the process of making sure there are bus routes that feed into the BRT.
- Transmitted their operating budget letter to the County Executive in December. Asks were: funding for secondary bus lines, funding for police officers and fire fighters especially with the increasing needs of White Oak.
- Big issue is affordable housing, and are facing challenges with budgeting.
- ECCAB wants to find out where they and MCCAB can work together and maximize influence.
- First Wednesday in February ECCAB will have Police Chief Jones as a guest, and MCCAB is invited.

Committee Reports:

- FY '21 Operating Budget Letter: Simone submitted grammatical and styling edits. Michael moved to approve letter with those edits, Susanna seconded. The letter was approved.
- Bill 34-19 Letter: Simone and Crystal submitted edits, which were accepted. The letter was approved.



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Liaison Reports

- DPS
 - No DPS meetings were held
- WUDAC:
 - The big update was the new County office building which is 86% completed. The rest of the meeting was devoted to an arts discussion.
- Pedestrian Master Plan Advisory Group:
 - First meeting scheduled for the end of February.

Old Business

- Going to find out if the other CABs have ideas about repurposing the CABs in order to gain more strength for the CABs. Louis will reach out in the next few days.

New Business

- Wheaton Urban District & Mid-County Regional Services Center will be moving to the new building in July which may conflict with MCCAB meeting.
- CAB member update: Ursula Wright will be stepping down from the Board due to personal and familial commitments. Louis suggests we keep friends and neighbors in mind who may be interested in serving.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 PM