

SSCAB Meeting Summary
May 13, 2013

1. *Welcome, Introductions & Announcements:* Chair Evan Glass called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Introduction of SSCAB members and community attendees.
2. *Acceptance of summary of prior meeting:* April 8, 2013 meeting minutes accepted.
3. *CityPlace Proposed Redevelopment: (Presented by Walt Petrie)*
 - Mall to be re-branded as Ellsworth Place.
 - Multiple plans for redevelopment through the years; believes timing is right for this plan now; new capital partner, highly supportive of the plan.
 - Have interest from national tenants, letters of intent are out. Announcing in ~ 60 days.
 - Plans feature: new entrances on Colesville and Ellsworth (existing entrances to remain with enhancements), outdoor signage and lighting improvements & full cosmetic upgrade inside. No change to overall footprint.
 - Known tenant changes: Galaxy to close, new entertainment venue (bowling/bar, similar to Lucky Strike), adding Michaels (**unconfirmed**); Blue Pearl to remain. Tenant mix to target modern/moderate and up (similar to H&M), contains a 4-star restaurant.
 - Note: existing approval for 9 story office on top of mall, 210K SF.
 - Community questions/Feedback: Expressed desire for local businesses, bookstore/community gathering place; recognize and maintain the diversity of Silver Spring. Discussion regarding historic preservation – plan will be reviewed for these aspects.
 - Timing: hope to break ground this year; goal: open May 2015.
4. *Councilmember(s)' Comments/Reports:* N/A
5. *Committee Reports:*
 - TREE: N/A
 - Neighborhoods: April meeting re: Four Corners Park; wrote letter supporting neighbors view.
 - CED: April meeting featured Tower Co presentation on The Blairs. 6/2 Taste the World Fenton Village event; County Council did not fund in FY14, CED provided letter requesting reconsideration – Board voted to send with minor modifications.
6. *Update from the TMD & UDAC:*
 - Urban District Update: Mostly focusing on The Blairs redevelopment; Giant has a lease through 2024, settle them first then other retailers.
7. *Chair's Report:* April 23rd meeting with County Executive, promoted extension of pilot program for civic building access. On County's nighttime task force, first meeting May 20. Elections for Board Executive Committee to be in June.
8. *Director's Report:* Key events in June (see packet), upcoming Purple Line meeting.
9. *New Business:*
 - Board asked for update on Transit Center; discussed. It's moving forward.
 - Motion for letter in support of CityPlace Redevelopment; Board noted need to convey community comments from earlier presentation. Motion passed.
10. *Adjourn:* 9:00pm