

Meeting Minutes

April 25, 2023

Silver Spring Urban District Advisory Committee

Board Members in Attendance: Teika Haymon Matt Harris Jane Redicker Juanita Stewart Jay Elvove Diana Brown Maurise Upshur	Staff: Carson Henry, SSUD Jeffrey Keane, SSUD Shawn Morris, SSUD Jacob Newman, SSUD
Public: Mel Tull (Lee Development Group)	Guests: Captain David Reed (MCPD) Lt. Galladora (MCPD) Carrie Header & Angie Walker (MoCo Recreation) Gwendolyn Harper (Pathways)

Meeting called to order at 3:38pm

Last month's meeting minutes were not received or approved.

Roll Call and Introductions

MCPD Situational Update (Reed)

- House bill 1071 to restrict traffic enforcement.
- Carjackings, felony burglary, retrieval of guns from traffic stops.
- Adopt-a-neighborhood Program to increase visibility of officers in neighborhood with a 4 on 4 tournament.
- More officers on foot patrol.
- Greater use of cameras and relocating as needed and looking to upgrade where feasibly viable.
- Safety Council Nighttime Legislation is underway to provide new security measures and safety compliance checks.
- Training recruits on suspicious activity.
- Violent crime information center.
- Working with other counties and business and residents to partner with MCPD. Sharing license plate information.
- Working with DC Metro.
- Bethesda Beat (360) Safe Street Initiative. 23 citations in a few months.

Silver Spring Planning Update (Jacob)

- June 10th Gene Lynch Urban Park formal ribbon cutting. Jacob will send information.
- MoCo Street Fest – Hosted by the Citizens Advisory Board.

MoCo Recreation in Silver Spring – (Carrie & Angie)

- Angie.walker@montgomerycountymd.gov – 240-400-0869.
- Carrie.Header@montgomerycountymd.gov – 240-777-6860.
- Need to Hire seasonal workers, lifeguards, front desk, security & safety.
- Fall 2023 slated opening. Construction still underway.
 - 10 and 3 Lane Pools
 - Water aerobics, Scuba, Water Polo
 - Diving Boards
 - Kids area and splash pad
 - Fitness Room & Large Gym
 - Volleyball, Basketball, Bleachers
 - Climbing Wall – 1st in the county
 - Classroom Art, Dance, Fitness, Adult & Youth Summits
 - 3 floors
 - Social Hall & Job Fairs
 - Holy Cross on the 3rd Floor – Primary Care Givers
 - Café
 - Nutrition Programs – Free lunches 55 & older
 - Parking at Cameron Street Garage – Weekends free, Pay during the week.
 - 2 Blocks from Metro
- Jay asked if any nonprofits in the area that could benefit from the pending services.
 - Jamie Raskin – Chess
 - Dominique Dawes statue
 - Gymnastics?
- Hardhat tour for SSUDAC under review. Juanita to send an email to make the request.

Urban District Report (Henry)

- Discussed last Friday's (4/24/23) meeting with the county council economic committee regarding initiatives and enhancements and the FY24 county executive budget.
 - The county will continue to raise awareness for levels of service.
 - Streetscape was a high priority along with lighting enhancements.
 - 150K – A 3rd for rat proofing trash cans in high density food areas
- Key initiative – Youth engagement – not recommended to move forward. Falls outside of scope of services for the Urban District
- Safety Walks in April – Fenton Village, Increase lighting and camera presence with available funds. Identified several locations to add more lighting. Will conduct a light night walk for compliance.

- Currently hiring. Added Jeffrey Keane, Program Specialist to the group from DOT.
 - 2 supervisor positions filled – former DOT staff crew from SS Depot
 - Promoted from within from DTSS Rotary Club, Community Hero, Shift Supervisor (Sun-Wed) Team
 - 2 Public Service Worker positions

SSCAB Update (Elvove)

- Discussed rent stabilization. Favors renters, but fair to LL

No Old Business

New Business

- Gwendolyn mentioned that Pathways no longer has a contract with DTSS or Wheaton and is concerned.
- Issued 26 vouchers last month and assessments, 20 in SS.
- May lose 2 staff members because she's unable to pay them.
- Contract was to renew 2/1/23.
- Discussed reaching out to Tanya Jones, Rosina, Kim Ball, Rich Manalino – who stated it cannot be completed until maybe June. No funds or budget for any outreach efforts. Christine Hong, Interfaith Works, Chief for Services to End & Prevent Homelessness. Carson is reaching out and will keep everyone updated.
- Suggested advocacy with the county or rolling everything under Bethesda Cares. County is justifying the existence.
- County Exec in the next meeting – May 2023

What's Upcoming (Stewart) Meeting

- County Exec in the next meeting

SSUDAC meeting adjourned at 4:37pm

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