

Agenda – June 14, 2023

Announcements

- Wine & Cheese Social was an overwhelming success.
- Garden Walk
- Food truck Wednesday support has dropped off considerable. Food truck operators are questioning if it's worth their time coming out. We need to encourage neighbors to support or decide if we want to continue with food trucks.
- Block Party – June 24th (Roundhill)

Maintenance: - We have fixed the little library.

- We are actively maintaining the ON landscaping by the sign.
- The sign is approved to be repaired
- Next dumpster day is planned to be Aug 12

Update on Northwood Commons

- All buildings are now up.
 - Some vendors are now open [McDonald's; Chipotle; Fulton Bank, Harbord Bank, LIDL, Georgia Peach, Pizza Hut, Tropical Smoothie Café, Quickway Hibachi, Downtown Locker Room, Ihop, the Morgan State Public Safety Building, A beauty supply store and nail salon.
 - A request to open new restaurant called "Ms. Toya's Creole House" was presented to several community leaders due to their application to serve alcohol. Mark Renbaum conducted the meeting.
- Private security
 - Hired by management team appear to be effective as we've seen little criminal activity at the shopping center.
 - Multi-strategy to security
 - Sharing information with private security, tenants, and MSU police
- Gas station
 - Updates from the BPD: No criminal activity since the tragic shooting. BPD presence along with private security continue to monitor the gas station.
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Ryan Dorsey and Odette Ramos: City Council

Update

- Constituent calls from the Alameda regarding trash and yard waste that continues to be dumped in the median on both Loch Raven and The Alameda. Both Ryan Dorsey and Odette Ramos suggest inundating 311 with calls for pickup.
- Similarly, Failure of DPW to pick up yard waste neighbors are properly disposed by our community. Up to 5 bags should be picked up weekly (I've seen bags left out for months) 311 needs to be called by ALL neighbors when you see bags that haven't been picked up.
- Landscaping crews are also throwing yard waste in the median. If you see something, say something...then call 311.
- There are concerns about the parking bump-outs along Argonne Drive near the entrance to the shopping center. There has been a request to have a 4-way stop sign put at the corner of Tivoli and the entrance to Northwood Commons.
 - The intention is that large delivery trucks would enter into the Loch Raven entrance.

- The entrance was designed to discourage large delivery trucks entering from Argonne Drive.

Questions from the community:

- Will changes to the Loch Raven/Argonne Intersection to accommodate more traffic? Ryan doesn't think there will be increased traffic.
- Concerns about traffic markings and confusion over turning lanes. Lines have recently been painted along Argonne. Ryan Dorsey suggests that we take this up with transportation to begin with the community association to send an email to Ryan describing why the situation is problematic. That would be passed on to DOT.
- Email is the best way to reach Ryan - the email goes directly to him and all staff (district3@baltimorecity.gov).
- Will there be family-oriented entertainment at the shopping center like at Belvedere Square and The Rotunda? (From Mark, it's a great idea and under consideration. Several of his team have also reached out to me and ask for us to wait until it can be discussed further within their committee)

NECO Update – NECO has been working with MSU to submit an application for the Neighborhood Policing Plan grant.

Seven neighborhoods that MSU will assist with providing added community policing. In addition, if selected for the grant, we will offer community mediation, job training and other resources. The deadline for the grant is June 14th. We are finalizing our letter of support to have MSU provide coverage in the area.

The neighborhoods that we have selected are closer to MSU's campus. FYI. They are as follows:

1. Hillen Road Improvement Association (HRIA) - [approximately 1300 residents]
2. New Northwood Community Association (NNA) - [approximately 1500 residents]
3. Stonewood-Pentwood-Winston Community Association (SPW) - [approximately 230 residents]
4. Perring Loch Covenant (PLC) - [approximately 320 residents]
5. Perring Loch Community Association (PLCA) - [approximately 200 residents]
6. Original Northwood Association (ONA) - [approximately 230 residents]
7. Loch Raven Improvement Association (LRIA) - [approximately 1200 residents]

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Presentation / Q&A

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- Community Mediation