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JOINT FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMISSION
 Regular Meeting

7:00 PM, Wednesday, March 15, 2017
 Navy League Building, Arlington, VA 22201

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Susan Cunningham
 Sue Robinson
 Matthew De Ferranti
 Devanshi Patel
 William Ross
 Jerry Gidner
 Katie Rouse
 Joseph Leitmann-Santa Cruz
 Eric Goldstein
 Ted Black

Gabriel Rubalcava
 Angelika Goodman
 Rodney Turner
 Laura Simpson
 Todd McCracken
 Rachel Silberman
 Steve Young
 Cicely Whitfield
 Janine Valasco

Chair: Ginger Brown
 Vice Chair: Greg Greeley

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Fioretti, Dawnita Altieri, Michelle Cowan, Jill Griffin, Lisa Maher, Pavani Bhanu, Maria Meredith, George May, Dulce Carillo.

GUESTS: None

OTHERS: Dawn Cooper, Maurya Meiers, Nia Bagley, Rick Epstein.

1. Welcome and Introduction

- The meeting was called to order by Ginger Brown, JFAC Chair at 7:00 PM; quorum present.

2. Chair’s Report

- Request for short biographies from each Commission member for website.
- Update on Community Roundtables.
- Request for public presentations.

3. Arlington County 10-Year Capital Improvement Plan

- Deputy County Manager, Michelle Cowan provided an overview of the Arlington County CIP.
- The list covers all areas of infrastructure, balanced between “maintaining what we have” and new investments. Much of the focus is on financially sustainable projects that will maintain the county’s triple-AAA bond ratings.
- The County Capital Needs are \$2.8 Billion FY 2017 – 2026 and covers 24 x 7 facilities, water and sewer as well as parks and recreation sufficient to serve our citizens.

- Each day residents use various services linked to our facilities operations. Sanitary sewer, ART Bus, transit facilities, technology and street operations. The fire operations need to be increased for the county along with space for fire apparatus.
- Supply for essential services is nearly at capacity. Demand comes from County growth. Strategic planning requires a balance of competing, but equally important interests.

4. Arlington Public Schools Student Accommodation Plan

- Lionel White, APS Director of Facilities Planning, provided an overview of the Schools 10-Year+ Facilities needs.
- Historical Enrollment growth from 1961-2016; projection exceeded in Fall 2017.
- Increased capacity was taken into account in the CIP.
- Modifications at various schools are being made in many cases.
- Renovations at schools will be completed in the future to add 2725 to 3050 seats.
- AFSAP to be adopted June 2017.
- Enrollment projections updated annually.
- Use AFSAP to inform decisions for next CIP in June 2018.

5. Use Considerations and Evaluation Framework

- Lisa Maher, Engineering Plan Review Supervisor, Department of Environment Services and Staff Lead to the Buck Subcommittee, provided information about use considerations and evaluation framework.
- Commission members Susan Robinson (SR) and Todd McCracken (TM) spoke about their process of working with the proposed evaluation framework.
- Commission members discussed the importance of ensuring that the framework is easy to understand/apply and that some level of weighting be applied. SR and TM suggested breaking out the Tier II use considerations into two groups (Tier II – Important, and Tier III – Desirable). Members agreed with the five color rating system, but suggested that there be symbols added to the rating system for those who are color blind.
- Staff was directed to incorporate the commissions comments into the document and share at the upcoming Buck and Carlin Springs Subcommittees.

6. Announcements and Public Comment

- Ginger Brown made some housekeeping comments related to timing of upcoming meetings.
- Four members of the public provided public comment.
- Maurya Meiers
 - Commission should look at what is happening around neighborhoods not just in immediate vicinity of the Buck sites. For example, LRPC is evaluating area at Kirkwood Road and Washington Blvd.
 - Neighborhood is small being squeezed on 3.5 sides. There are 2,000 new apartment units coming on next few years.
 - We don't have a neighborhood school, so kids have to go to Taylor. Science focus is walkable but is not a school for the community. Seeing lot of population increase.

- Concerned with Use Consideration and Evaluation Framework Evaluation and how it will pick up current and future traffic. N. Quincy Street and N. Stuart Streets are one lane roads. There's a lot of traffic with potential growth.
 - Opportunity to see amenities. Residential area supports park and school.
 - The Use Consideration and Evaluation Framework has improved since last time. Have someone who knows surveys well review to see if there are issues with it to ensure that the use considerations are measurable. Need to take into consideration community opinion.
 - Rick Epstein – Regarding Carlin Springs site, conservation of the neighborhood is a legitimate concern.
 - Some County needs may not involve more traffic.
 - Neighborhood needs to consider things that don't create huge amounts of traffic. Bring the information on roundtable.
 - Unknown (did not sign in) – Concerned about County and APS playing good cop, bad cop. Need to work together.
 - Dawn Cooper – March 26 appreciate the JFAC including civic association presentations at subcommittee meetings.
- 7. Community Roundtable Update**
- Five out of the 12 roundtables complete. Key School Roundtable was rescheduled due to snow.
 - Members who participated in the first five roundtables shared their impression of the discussion with the community members.
- 8. Approval of February Meeting Minutes and Bus Tour Minutes**
- The February 11 Bus tour minutes were unanimously approved with three abstentions by Matt De Ferranti, Davanshi Patel and Rodney Turner.
 - The February 16, 2017 JFAC Commission minutes were unanimously approved with one abstention, Ted Black.
- 9. Adjourn**
- Meeting Adjourned 9:09 PM.