

## MEETING SUMMARY

### **The Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee (PYDAC)**

May 9, 2007

7:30 - 9:00 pm

Sister Cities Conference Room 1101, City Hall

#### **Committee Members in Attendance:**

Susanne Carnell

Bill Hendrickson, Chair

Stephen Koenig

Sandy Modell

Catherine Moore

Sylvia Sibrover

Maria Wasowski

Joe Hart

#### **Excused Absences:**

Teri Webster

#### **Staff:**

Amy Tarce, P&Z

Raka Choudhury, P&Z

Colleen Rafferty, P&Z

Beth Carton, RP&CA

Ron Kagawa, RP&CA

#### **Applicant Representatives:**

Nathan Imm, EDAW

Dennis Carmichael, EDAW

David Wall, PYD

Megan Shilling, Walsh Colucci Lubeley Emrich & Walsh PC

#### **Other:**

Mariella Posey, Citizen

### **AGENDA ITEMS**

- Potomac Yard Landbay K - Presentation by Applicant
- Committee Members Attendance Issues
- Approval of PYDAC Meeting Minutes from January 10, 2007

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Bill Hendrickson opened the meeting and discussed the agenda. Joe Hart, a new PYDAC member, was introduced to the other Committee Members.

## PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF LANDBAY K

Amy Tarce gave a brief introduction of the issues to be addressed in the meeting to the Committee. Dennis Carmichael and Nathan Imm, of EDAW, presented an update of Landbay K to the Committee.

### DISCUSSION

1. The Committee suggested that wheelchair turning movements be considered in the design of the children's maze in the playground. Mr. Carmichael and Mr. Imm responded that the maze will be designed for wheelchair access.
2. The Committee recommended that the entrance into the park from Route 1 incorporate a gateway feature or an enhanced treatment.
3. The Committee inquired about the area near the school and whether the walking areas nearby would be treated with plantings to increase the aesthetics. RPCA staff responded that they will coordinate with the school to increase the amount of planting materials. Once the landbay develops, requirements to soften the area will occur.

## COMMITTEE MEMBERS ATTENDANCE ISSUES

Amy Tarce presented the Committee with an outline she and Bill Hendrickson developed regarding possible solutions to increase attendance. The Committee discussed the outline and agreed on the following:

1. Staff will send the Committee the agenda one week prior to the scheduled meeting.
2. The Committee will respond by 3 pm on the Friday before the Wednesday meeting whether or not they will be attending. Staff will then send the Committee the number of members slated to attend the meeting by close of business Friday.
3. Meetings will commence at 7:30 pm to accommodate commute times and schedules.

## APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

On a motion by Susanne Carnell and seconded by Stephen Koenig, the Committee reviewed and approved meeting minutes from the January 10, 2007 meeting. Approved 8-0.

## NEXT STEPS

Next meeting – June 13, 2007

This will be a brief presentation by Transportation and Environmental Services regarding pedestrian, bicyclist, and vehicular circulation in Potomac Yard.