**MCLEAN PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**Monthly Meeting**

**July 19, 2023 7:00 pm**

**MEETING MINUTES\* (Meeting conducted at MCC and via Zoom)**

**Call to Order at 7:17 PM** Tom Passarelli convened the meeting.

**Approval of Minutes** Minutes of the May and June meetings were approved.

**Treasurer’s Report** Tom Passarelli reported an expense of $1 to the McLean Community Center for annual rental.

**Supervisor’s Report**

* Ben Wiles thanked those who attended the Astoria community meeting on June 18. Roughly 100 attendees. Sept 21 PC Hearing. Oct 10 BOS hearing. Mixed comments from public. Traffic, schools, access, retail provision were major topics. The meeting audio and slide deck will be posted online in the coming days.

**MRC Report**

* No report.

**Ongoing Matters**

* Mars Presentation
	+ Evan Pritchard, land use attorney, introduced Pete Rowan. He noted that the project is right behind the Astoria in public hearing schedule – 10/10 and 10/24.
	+ Pete Rowan has taken over from Brad Fiegel. Mars has chosen to temporarily relocate to 1676 International Drive, McLean 22102. Mars projects occupying that office for roughly two years.
	+ The loading dock will feature a turn-table to allow trucks to enter and then exit facing forward.
	+ The project team then fielded questions from Committee members, regarding such topics as accessibility, public park space, signage, site security, and access management.
	+ Draft proffers have been submitted to the County. Last submission was made on June 16. The staff comments on the latest round should be transmitted to the applicant in th coming days.
	+ Ben Wiles encouraged MPC members to write to him with any feedback.
	+ Urban Design Guidelines
	+ Consensus that most comments have been considered and acted upon and that Staff has done an excellent job on the document. Consensus to do individual comments as needed.
	+ Connie encouraged MPC members to send comments to her and Merrily for consideration for their MCA draft letter.
* Giant Redevelopment:
	+ Kent Holland inquired with the County as to progress. County staff reported that there was a submission on July 14, apparently without having the relevant plans attached. Ben Wiles reported that the Ingleside trees will remain. A 4-foot existing path along Ingleside will remain, and periodic bumpouts will be added.
* Astoria
	+ Chris Zumot reported that Michelle told her the vehicular turn-in has been removed from Old Dominion frontage. The garage entrance on Elm has been centered on the building frontage. The Committee agreed to have Tom Passarelli correspond with the applicant and County staff regarding including a vehicular drop-off or layby on Old Dominion Drive.

**New Matters**

* + - McLean Professional Park – Subcommittee appointed: Hans Schmidt, Maya Huber, Paul Kohlenberger and Winnie Pizzano.
		- All groups have reported to the President that they will keep their representatives and alternates.

**Next Meeting**: The next meeting will be August 16, 2023 (starting at 7pm).

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 9:03 PM

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

**Directors:**

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| **MCA**  | **SCA**  | **GMCC**  | **CL**  |
|  | **Winnie Pizzano (VP)** | **Paul Kohlenberger (S)** | **Tom Passarelli (P)** |
| **Rich Salopek** |  |  |  |
| **Maya Huber** |  | **Brian Berry** |  |
| **Merrily Pierce** |  | **Dennis Findley** | **Chris Zumot** |

**Alternates:**

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| **Kent Holland** | **Kathleen Wysocki** |  |  |
| Connie Fan |  |  |  |
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Guests:

Ben Wiles – Dranesville Supervisor’s Office

**End of Meeting Minutes\*.**

*\*Minutes prepared by Paul Kohlenberger.*