Nuclear Free Takoma Park Committee, 10/11/2022, 7:30pm-9:00pm Minutes

In attendance: Victor Thuronyi, Jay Levy, Julie Boddy, Paul Gunter

The minutes of the Sept. 13, 2022, NFTPC meeting were approved.

Discussion of Takoma Park Street Festival coming up on 10/23/2022. Paul, Jay and Julie plan to be there. Paul will provide materials: factsheets, booklets of materials. Victor will provide handout describing NFTPC and a sign-up sheet for future contact by the committee. Jay will provide the remainder of NFTPC T-shirts for sale. NFTPC will share the City Table.

Discussion of Ward 5 tabling opportunity on Sligo on 10/30/2022. Julie will investigate what's entailed for Committee to participate and contact interested committee members.

Discussion of Takoma Park local radio programing on WOW as an opportunity for outreach to solicit new committee members and provide public commentary on committee issues. Jay will outreach to Eric Bond.

Discussion of city procedures for committee review of city contracts potentially relevant to the City Ordinance/Nuclear Free Zone Act. Victor reached out to City Manager but did not receive a reply as of yet. He will send a reminder to City Manager of committee request of a meeting and address to entire City Council.

Discussion of and update on the City Task Force on Sustainable Banking and Finance. No updates. Nothing is likely to move before the elections. Committee members will resume outreach (particularly to new Council Members) after the election.

Discussion of NFTPC communications on the City's website. Paul has previously added a file of web links from organizations that regularly update their websites on nuclear issues. These organizations include Beyond Nuclear, Beyond Nuclear International, Nuclear Information and Resource Services, International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) and NuclearBanUS. Paul will additionally prepare a NFTPC draft 2022 report for review prior to presentation by the end of the year to the new Mayor and City Council on the national status of high-level nuclear waste transport (rail and highway) and potential impacts near and within city limits. The approved committee report will be posted on the NFTPC page.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the NFTPC falls on November 8th and election night. The NFTPC meeting was therefore rescheduled for a virtual meeting on the following Tuesday, November 15, 2022, 7:30pm to 9:00pm.

Adjourned.