



## Takoma Park City Council Meeting – July 27, 2016 Agenda Item 2

### **Voting Session**

Resolution Establishing the Community Consultation Process Advisory Committee for the Takoma Junction Redevelopment Project

### **Recommended Council Action**

Approve Resolution establishing the Community Consultation Process Advisory Committee.

### **Context with Key Issues**

Neighborhood Development Company, the firm selected for the Takoma Junction redevelopment project, proposed, and the Council supports, the establishment of a Community Consultation Process Advisory Committee to help facilitate community input and feedback at critical stages of the development project. The goal of the committee is to develop a process for community participation appropriate for Takoma Park.

The Council-appointed committee's efforts will focus on creating, in conjunction with NDC, the process needed to guide community participation on important aspects of the development project effectively. The committee will not be responsible for making substantive decisions or providing specific recommendations to the Council about the design, layout or use of the planned development.

The opportunity to serve on the committee has been advertised. The City Council has selected seven residents, skilled in outreach and social media, knowledgeable about local resources, and familiar with the best means of reaching residents throughout the community, to serve on the committee. The work of the committee will be finished and the committee dissolved when the community consultation period in the development process is completed.

### **Council Priority**

Advance Economic Development Efforts: Attract new businesses and prepare for economic development in the City and region.

### **Environmental Impact of Action**

N/A

### **Fiscal Impact of Action**

No fiscal impact.

### **Attachments and Links**

- Resolution Establishing the Community Consultation Process Advisory Committee for the Takoma Junction Redevelopment Project
- Takoma Junction Redevelopment Project Page:  
<https://takomaparkmd.gov/initiatives/takoma-junction-redevelopment/>

Introduced by:

**CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND**

**RESOLUTION 2016-XX**

**ESTABLISHING THE COMMUNITY CONSULTATION PROCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE TAKOMA JUNCTION REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

**WHEREAS,** the Neighborhood Development Company (“NDC”) has proposed the establishment of a Community Consultation Process Advisory Committee (the “Committee”) to facilitate community input on the Takoma Junction redevelopment project; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Council has recognized the value of appointing a committee of residents to provide guidance in appropriate ways to engage the community in the development of the project; and

**WHEREAS,** the Committee will provide assistance to ensure community participation in aspects of the design process; and

**WHEREAS,** in the Resolution 2015-19, Authorizing the Initiation of Negotiations with Neighborhood Development Company, LLC for the Redevelopment of the City Lot at the Takoma Junction, Council specifically referenced “community meetings and design charrettes” as an element of the project; and

**WHEREAS,** as articulated by NDC, the Community Consultation Process Advisory Committee would help develop the process for community input with City staff. The Committee would:

- Clarify with NDC, in coordination with City Staff and the City Council, the aspects of the project’s program and design for which community input is important for the project outcome;
- Identify the best means for community members to engage in the development process;
- Determine the details of meetings needed to ensure sufficient opportunity for community input such as number and frequency of meetings, locations, times, format;
- Assist with promotion and outreach regarding meetings; and
- Provide opportunities for on-line community feedback for community members who are unable to attend meetings.

**WHEREAS,** the Committee will not be a decision-making body regarding substantive aspects of the development project nor is it intended to provide recommendations to the Council on the final design, layout or tenancy of the project; and

**WHEREAS,** the opportunity to serve on the Committee has been advertised; and

**WHEREAS,** after review of the applications received, the Council has selected seven residents to serve on the Community Consultation Process Advisory Committee.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND THAT** the following individuals are hereby appointed to serve on the Community Consultation Process Advisory Committee:

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Ward</b>
1.	Laura Barclay	3
2.	Amee Bearne	5
3.	Tony Camilli	1
4.	Shera Higgs-Thompson	2
5.	Deepak Marwah	2
6.	Vineda Myers	4
7.	Talisha Searcy	6

**Adopted this \_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.**

**ATTEST:**

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Jessie Carpenter, CMC  
City Clerk