

**City of Takoma Park**  
**Takoma Junction Community Consultation Process Advisory Committee**  
**Meeting Notes**  
April 4, 2017

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The Takoma Junction Community Consultation Process Advisory Committee met on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at the Takoma Park Community Center, 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park Maryland.

**Members Present:** Laura Barclay, Tony Camilli, Shera Higgs-Thompson  
**Members Absent:** Ameer Bearne, Deepak Marwah, Talisha Searcy, Janet Williams  
**NDC Staff Present:** Django Broer-Hellermann  
**Visitors:** Bob Anderson  
**Staff Present:** Roz Grigsby

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**1. Call to Order**

The meeting began at 7:00 p.m. Django thanked the committee members for their help in the community meetings and for serving as scribes on the boards.

**2. Review Meetings and Survey Feedback**

Django shared the information from the surveys. The first survey had 479 total participants; the second survey had 151 participants. He broke down the demographic data of survey participants regarding wards, age, homeownership or renters, satisfaction with businesses, parking, traffic and sidewalks at the Junction currently, and the types of businesses identified as desirable for the Junction. The demographics from the two surveys were similar; it is possible that the participants of the second were a subset of the first. Django discussed comments from the on-line surveys written in the text boxes.

The committee discussed the participation rates. Generally the committee thought the participation in the meetings and the surveys met the goal of getting plenty of community input. They think the community is generally confident about the process and the project moving forward and so people didn't feel a compelling need to participate. The outreach effort was good, including OTBA's media outreach to business owners and community members, specific efforts to reach Junction businesses, the City's work publicizing the meetings and surveys, business cards that had the survey link on them, and printed fliers in businesses.

**3. Reporting to the Community**

NCD and Streetsense will distill the feedback from the meetings and the surveys and present a summary to Council in May. They will use the information to shape the Concept Plan which they will present to Council in June.

**4. Next Steps**

The work of the committee is finished, with the completion of the Community Meetings. It is possible that NDC will reach out to the committee in the future, if committee members are willing to serve at a later date.

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