

Places29 – Hydraulic Community Advisory Committee

Meeting Agenda June 19, 2017 at 5:30 pm Greer Elementary School media center

☐ Call to Order – Cynthia Neff (2 minutes) ☐

Vito acted in Cynthia's behalf

Attendees:

John, John Lewis, Robyn, Marta (JABA), Michael, Zack, Vito, Emily, David Covington, Frank Hunter, Chip

Approval of Minutes – All (2 minutes) ☐

Staff Update – Emily Kilroy (5 minutes) o Neighborhood Improvement Funding Initiative

- The County hired a new position, Neighborhood Planner to support the CACs and will establish a process for communication to keep CACs updated.
- Two Big things the BOS has been asked"

Q:How will the funds for the neighborhood projects be divided

Answer: divided evenly at \$200,00 per CAC

Community will now prioritize projects based on funding

Q: What are the "next steps"?

Answer: Next Steps: committee will need to flesh out the projects to include details and "scoping" of the projects. Each CAC will need to select a "project champion" for all the projects or for each project who will partner with staff from the County. We will do this coordination planning at the July meeting. Once the project sheets are complete (September/October), they will be prepared for vote by the BOS.

Neighborhood Planner ☐ Hydraulic-29 Small Area Plan – Chip Boyles, TJPDC (25 minutes)

An advisory committee has been assembled to advise the BOS on the future of improvements to intersections, bike/ped access, green space and shopping/businesses. Each CAC is represented on this committee. Vito is representing our Hydraulic CAC (thanks, Vito!). The advisory committee has been envisioning what the future holds in terms of transportation (cars, bikes, pedestrians, buses, etc.) and for uses of existing land. There are two different planning needs --- the future of transportation in our Hydraulic area AND the future of living/shopping/building in our area. The VDOT website has information on public comment for the future of transportation. VDOT meetings are open to the public and livestreamed for viewing. The next public meeting will be held on August 23, 6:30 PM at CHS. Additional community input will be gathered throughout this process. Best way to give that input is through an advisory committee member. The project goal is to efficiently link neighborhoods with shopping areas and transportation routes. Lots of input and discussion has been focused on safe bike paths and an "urban deck" which is a wider than normal bridge that has room for bikes, pedestrians and also some green space. Bike/pedestrian access points is a significant part of this discussion for future action.

Note: the new Rio intersection plan is NOT a viable option for the Hydraulic/29 intersection as it is too close to the 250 Bypass intersection.

TJPDC Bike/Pedestrian Plan Update Charrette – TJPDC Staff (45 minutes)

Currently in the process of updating the 2004 Regional Bike/Ped plan.

A map of existing bike lanes, multi-use paths and sidewalks was shared along with proposed projects.

Input was gathered and recorded by facilitators. Some highlights include:

What does the Hydraulic area need in terms of Bike/Ped access?

+How can we increase the interconnectivity of communities via separated paths?

+What about stream beds as a natural pathway?

+Challenge for bikers – space and access

+Huge challenge crossing 29 – access only at Barracks & at Greenbriar (light)

+How do we look at existing streets and determine which could be made 1-way to allow larger lane for biking and walking?

+Greenbriar is a really wide

+Meadows & the Georgetown Road communities are very isolated from access across main streets and the City of C-ville.

+High speed limits make it unsafe to cross despite the preserve of multiple crossings (no blinky lights or zebra stripes)

+Can the river and streams be leveraged to build interconnectivity

+Use Strava Heat Mapping to help with where existing bikers/runners/etc are currently using paths

☐ Adjourn

Next meeting July 17 at 5:30 pm at Greer Elementary – spread the word!