

Veterans Memorial Committee
September 19, 2017
6:00 p.m.
Davis Hall
9217 51st Ave
College Park, MD

FINAL MINUTES

<u>Members</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Deloris Cass		<u>X</u>
Tom Davis	<u>X</u>	
Doris Davis	<u>X</u>	
Arthur Eaton	<u>X</u>	
Seth Gomoljak	<u>X</u>	
Joseph Ruth		<u>X</u>
Rita Zito	<u>X</u>	

Also Present:

Bob Stumpff, Public Works Director; Chick-Fil-A John Martinez; Development Manager Design; Construction Daniel Lynch; Joi Woods, Recording Secretary

1. Call the meeting to order

Mr. Gomoljak called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Approval of the July 11, 2017 minutes

Mr. Stumpff offered corrections for the July meeting minutes

Mr. Davis made a motion to approve the July 11, 2017 minutes as amended. All in were in favor. The motion passed.

3. Chick-Fil-A Presentation:

Daniel Lynch and John Martinez, representatives from Chick-Fil-A provided information about the franchise location that may potentially be adjacent to the WWII Memorial on Baltimore Avenue and Greenbelt Road. The Chick-Fil-A representatives shared information and blueprints with the committee to solicited input:

- Chick-Fil-A is proposing a custom two-story build with a pedestrian connection between the restaurant and the Memorial to include second floor- seating (indoor & outdoor) overlooking the Memorial
- Some of the goals of the franchise location include celebrating the history of the College Park community and encouraging customers to visit the Memorial
- Mural design, incorporating elements of the College Park airport to create local connections

- Considerations for drive through design to minimize intrusion were discussed. Cars will access the location via Branchville Road; there will be no access from U.S. Route 1 or Greenbelt Road.
- The impact of the parking lot (shared WWII Memorial) was discussed. Chick-fil-A plans to lease additional property to add an additional noise buffer with evergreens & street trees
- Event Parking and sharing parking is a decision Franchise Operator
- Efforts to maintain litter spillover were discussed

A motion was made by Tom Davis and seconded by Seth Gomoljak to send a letter to support Chick-fil-A as neighbors to the Veterans Memorial. The motion passed 5 – 0 – 0.

Mr. Martinez stated that once they have the full proposal together, they plan on scheduling a meeting with the City Council. If VMC knows of any community groups or individual person that would like to speak with them, to please let them know.

4. Veteran's Day Ceremony 2017

The Committee provided updates, discussed details and action items in preparation for the ceremony:

- Plaques have been ordered
- Rain plan confirmed
- The American Legion will provide a free lunch and presentation of the Color Guard
- Mr. Gomoljak will draft an invite letter and promotional materials for the ceremony
- Mr. Stumpff will confirm Speaker- Andy Fellows
- Boy Scouts are confirmed to participate, a written recognition of service will be provided
- The Committee discussed providing a donation to the choral group that will be performing during the ceremony
- Gifts for Veterans include Peppermint Carnations; the remaining flowers will be presented by a City Official in lieu of a wreath
- The Committee also discussed the reading of names of the Veterans listed on the plaque and a form of tribute and acknowledgement of the end of WWI

5. Mr. Davis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Davis seconded motion. All were in favors. Motioned passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.