MEETING BLPC NOTES

9/16/15 BLPC #11 – This meeting was convened for the purposes of reviewing the current status of Stratford Project Designs and to provide context for outstanding BLPC issues and/or concerns.

Attendance

Carol Burger
Richard Giza
Graham McBride
Susan Cunningham
Madelon Brennan
Diane Probus
Anne Wilson
David Barish
Jeff Turner
Candice Abbey
Jane Kim
Ben Burgin
Bill Herring, jr.

Public comment – beginning

1. Richard Giza, 22nd street neighbor made the following points:
   a. He had spoken at the 8/1/15 meeting and wants to ensure the preservation of tree canopy. He feels that the tail wagging the dog with the schedule and design impasse;
   b. With regard to the traffic accessibility, the County should be dissuading parents from dropping students off - the County shouldn't be an enabler of solutions that encourages the increase of traffic

2. Madeline Brennon spoke on behalf of Amanda Davis

3. Candice Abbey neighbor
   a. She was asking for just one community amenity, namely that the strategy be oriented to minimize the cars traffic along Vacation Lane

4. Anne Wilson
   a. Ms. Wilson wants to know whether anyone is looking into alternative funding sources such as State transportation, Historic preservation and any other sources that might or can add to the available funds?
   b. She also advocates that compromise is needed from all stakeholders. Neighbors being asked to sacrifice a lot; supporting a connection to OD

Opening Discussion:

1. Four current designs – west option (and parking), east option (A3, circulation and connectivity), link and terrace

Discussion questions:
What is the current status of designation?
Does County Board have authority to act on designation without School Board decision?
When is the School Board information and action?
   School board action is presently projected for late October. However, it will not occur before concurrence/consensus from the PFRC and HALRB

Replenish joint fund?
Can HALRB contribute funds?
Is the $29.2 million budget still the correct budget?
Would West solution interfere with Stratford Park renovation?
Can park and school project be done concurrent with the same GC?
   Presently the park renovation is presently on hold.
Can you post the A/E responses to the website?
Need executive summary of status. (Susan will draft)
Can any public safety improvements happen now?

Final Comments:

Graham McBride - H-B prefers to co-locate with Stratford (would be stirring up)
Jane Kim - spoke to transportation director about a DO NOT ENTER sign at one end of Vacation Lane (would be time restricted) could be an option here. Asked TDG to recommend an end of Vacation Lane for the sign location (follow up to be provided)

END OF MEETING NOTES