

**MEETING NOTES for the GW/COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**(As called for in the 2007 Foggy Bottom Campus Plan, Condition P-7)**  
**Meeting #35/Quarter 2/June 13, 2016 – 6:30 pm in Duques Hall (2201 G Street) Room 553**

**1)=Welcome & Introductions**

Richard Livingstone of The George Washington University, opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. with introductions of individuals supporting GW for the Advisory Committee, including and: Susi Cora, GW Director of Campus Planning; Alicia Knight, Senior Associate Vice President for Operations; Tim Miller, Associate Dean of Students with the Division of Student Affairs. Following this, attendees introduced themselves, including: Foggy Bottom Association President Marina Streznewski; Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners (ANC) Philip Schrefer and Eve Zhurbinskiy; West End Citizen's Association members Barbara Kahlow and Sara Maddux; Foggy Bottom neighbor Susan Armbruster; GW staff members John Ralls and Eric Selbst.

**2)=Campus Plan and campus development updates**

**2a) Other 2007 Foggy Bottom Campus Plan initiatives -- 2ai)=Historic Preservation Plan:** GW has complied with historic preservation requirements as part of the 2007 Foggy Bottom Campus Plan (2007 FBCP). As a note of interest, Cora added GW would soon be doing some window replacement and water infiltration work to some townhouses and that the work will be done in accordance with our guidelines; **2aii)=Foggy Bottom Campus Streetscape Plan:** Cora shared recent streetscape work at District House will be upgraded this spring.

**2b)=Updates on campus development projects**

**2bi)=Site 75A on Square 75 (Completion per developer):** This site is a commercial investment property located on Pennsylvania Avenue between 21st and 22nd Streets. 2112 Penn is expected to deliver in the second quarter of 2018. Excavation is underway and controlled blasting could begin this summer. Skanska has begun outreach efforts to property owners and users in close proximity to the site. Procedures for blasting will be similar to blasting that occurred at The Avenue, SEH, and Milken Institute development projects, with blasting materials delivered via escort and usually occurring in the morning although an afternoon time is reserved as backup. All demolition of remaining site properties is complete except for the townhouses facing Eye Street which will be scheduled after the District House projects completes in coming weeks so as to lessen impact on Eye Street. Streznewski asked to receive more information so she could share with residents in the Foggy Bottom historic district even though it is not in the impact zone designated by Skanska and GW agreed to share this request so Skanska could share controlled blasting information with Streznewski and Livingstone worked with Skanska after the meeting to make this happen.

The renovation of three F Street townhouses for affordable housing was an amenity linked to the development of Site 75A. The properties are 2142, 2146 and 2150 F Street and will contain a total of 7 units. Cora said that Nest DC, a certified broker is reviewing marketing with Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD). The units will be marketed and leased in accordance with DHCD requirements, marketed through DHCD's Housing Locator website. The renovations are expected to be completed this summer.

**2bii)=Site 77A on Square 77 – District House Residence Hall (Completion summer 2016 for Fall move-in):** This residence hall, located in the center of campus between H and I and 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> streets is expected to open for students in fall 2016. Construction is well underway and on target for opening in fall 2016. Cora and Knight also shared that the lower level will be built out this summer for the venues, Wiseguy NY Pizza, Beef 'n' Bread, Chick-fil-A, GRK Fresh Greek and Sol Mexican Grill. Another vendor is yet to be finalized. Zhurbinskiy asked if the temporary crosswalks in the midblock of the 2100 block of Eye Street would remain after construction and Cora confirmed that these mid-block crosswalks were temporary and would be removed. Cora and Knight reported that the City Hall building had been sold. A contact for the new owner's representative would be shared when GW had that information.

**2c)=Report on the Spring 2016 Compliance Report**

As background, Cora shared that GW reports bi-annually to the Zoning Commission on a number of items so as to ensure its continued compliance with the 2007 FBCP. She added that the spring report

is abbreviated and only reports on key points such as faculty/staff population and a review of the fall audit report. She said both the audit and the report confirmed that GW continues to be in compliance with all conditions of the 2007 FBCP.

#### **2d)=General GW updates**

***2di)=GW Hillel building including associated zoning and regulatory approvals associated with GW's proposed long-term tenancy in newly proposed developed GW Hillel building:*** It is GW's understanding that St Mary's Church and WECA appealed the zoning order approving the Hillel building on May 19. Kahlow shared that this process would likely take months.

***2dii)=Hall on Virginia Avenue:*** GW has received a number of offers for the sale of the HOVA property and is working through the process of selecting a purchaser. Knight said the next phase of process for developing this site may include some due diligence, including environmental. The university has retained a broker, CBRE, to assist with pursuing potential buyers of the HOVA property. At this time, onsite tours are taking place as needed. GW will continue to monitor the site regularly to ensure the site is secure and free from debris. Kahlow shared that Livingstone has been particularly helpful with ensuring DC Government removes graffiti from the adjacent non-GW walls. Kahlow asked that the community be notified as soon as a decision is made as to a new purchaser and Knight agreed this would occur.

#### ***2diii)=GW Corcoran College of Art and Design:***

GW has commenced summer work for the renovation of the Corcoran, including remediation of the stone facades, adding an accessible ramp on the New York Avenue entrance and roofing repairs. GW's Board of Trustees has also approved a total of \$47.5 million in renovations to occur over the coming years to renovate 2nd floor for NGA and GW academic spaces as well as make other necessary upgrades to building infrastructure.

#### **3)=Other campus updates/Recent/upcoming major campus activities**

Cora confirmed that summer work throughout the campus including: 2109 F Street - undergoing systems and code upgrades as well as a substantial building renovation (sprinkler, kitchens, bathrooms, etc); Thurston Hall -- on F Street will undergo furniture replacement and cosmetic upgrades to the bathrooms; Mitchell Hall -- water intrusion remediation of the electrical room. Kahlow asked if there were currently plans to develop any of the remaining campus plan development sites and Knight confirmed at this time there were none.

Miller said his office shared move-out and Memorial Day information with off campus students and will also do an email in advance of July 4 reminding students to be respectful. His office also will share updates after any potential summer storms that could impact roads or utility lines.

Kahlow said Georgetown is revising its Campus Plan and is considering mandatory "good neighbor" training and Streznewski shared that previous attempts to implement mandatory training had not been successful but she had ideas as to how GW could address these challenges when it revisits this issue.

#### **4)=Public Comments**

Zhurbinskiy asked about DC's recent publication of a map showing locations of lead lines and it was agreed additional information would be shared once GW has verified the validity of the—is information since much of it was outdated. Maddux asked that GW's publications team reiterate that fireworks in DC are not legal during any discussions of the July 4 holiday. Zhurbinskiy shared the need for additional student input as the university undertakes its search for a new president and Streznewski asked if community participation in the search process could be considered. Knight suggested they send an email to the Board Chair regarding this and also said she would share this request in coming months when appropriate.

#### **5)=Selection of date for meeting #36 of this group in 3rd quarter (July-Sep) of 2016**

With no additional comments, Livingstone asked attendees for potential dates to have the next meeting of this group and it was agreed that the 2016 third quarter meeting of this group would be Monday September 19, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. unless needed to be held at a different time. With no further comments, the meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.