

TOWNSHIP OF RADNOR
Villanova CICD CARE Group
Minutes of the Meeting of February 18, 2016

The Villanova CICD CARE Group met at approximately 6:30 PM in the Administration Department located on the 2nd Floor in the Radnor Township Municipal Building, 301 Iven Avenue, Wayne, PA 19087

Present

Philip Ahr, Chair
Chris Kovolski
Jane Galli

Robert Zienkowski, Vice-Chair
Marilou Smith
Rick Leonardi

Absent

Steve Norcini

Also Present: *Andrew Block, Police Lieutenant; Roger Philips, Township Engineer; Jason Thompson, Engineering Inspector; John Hosbach, Township Arborist and Jennifer DeStefano, Executive Assistant to the Township Manager.*

Phil Ahr called the meeting to order and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance

Organization – Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

Robert Zienkowski made a motion to appoint Phil Ahr as Chair of the Committee, seconded by Marilou Smith. The motion passed 7-0.

Jane Galli made a motion to appoint Rick Leonardi as Vice-Chair of the Committee, failed for lack of a second.

Phil Ahr made a motion to appoint Robert Zienkowski as Vice Chair of the Committee, seconded by Rick Leonardi. The motion passed 7-0.

Phil Ahr, Chair made a few brief comments which are attached.

Purpose and Introductions

Staff members around the table shared their thoughts on what they viewed as the best and worst outcome for the project.

Phil Ahr, Chair briefly reviewed the purpose of the committee and had several members read aloud the resolution which was passed by the Board of Commissioners. Roger Philips asked for residents to contact the Township if any problems occur rather than waiting until the next meeting.

Review

West Lancaster Lot – requirements and approved plans vs. conditions?

Different plants or size than listed in CU, no berm?

Interim inspection (February) vs. final approval (May)

Adequate planting/shielding of incoming car lights

Sunken plant bed at SEPTA lot – drainage? Plant size inadequate?

It was in agreement among all parties that the buffering will be revisited in the spring to see if density and canopy is sufficient. There was discussions on the screening.

Required Buffering along Rt. 100 – This was reviewed by the Township Engineer and representatives form Villanova University.

Silt protection adequate?

All Steps are adequate and meet code; Jason is there on a daily basis walking the site.

Retaining wall at west entrance – setbacks, stormwater concerns?

It is a structural wall which is 10 ft. High along with a 2 ft. Guard rail on top. It will be the. Same material that is being used for the housing.

Lighting – on rear of buildings on all night, shining into houses behind Rt 100

There is a certain amount of light that is required and Villanova will look into repositioning them so they are not shining into the homes.

Lighting – will lights in lot be consistent to keep light from homeowners?

The committee will follow up at next meeting in regards to lighting

East Main Lot

Closing Lot – permission under CU, parking calculation - requirements met?

The lot has been closed last week and Villanova briefly discussed the phasing of the property and the parking calculations. All parking requirements are being met.

Status of grading permit hold

The grading permit will be issued tomorrow. It was on hold because there was questions on the placement of the pedestrian crosswalk.

Equipment entering from Lancaster or Ithan or both?

Over the next few months there will be minimal traffic but it will increase after commencement in May.

SAC Garage – material delivery, construction

Villanova University gave an overview of the process that was taken in the successful construction of the SAC garage.

Public Comment

Tish Long – She commented in regards to the current buffering along the Rt. 100 line and reference memos from Steve Norcini as well as Steve Gabriel.

Roberta Winters – She commented in regards to the outdoor lighting.

Annemarie Hessman – She inquired if there will be a sidewalk closure along Lancaster Avenue. The response was that at some point during the project there will be a closure. She also inquired about the lighting inside and outside the garage. She also inquired about parking during the large events during

construction such as commencement. Villanova stated that for commencement, Radnor Financial parking lot will be used and shuttles to campus will be available.

Communication

Existing communication between Radnor and Villanova; Inspection activity

There is a Township Inspector on site for most of the days and the communication is very fluid daily.

Regular update from Township? Work punch sheet? Inspection reports?

The inspection reports will be posted to the Township website under the Villanova project page.

Township Hotline not working? (Reporting large machinery using Aldwyn)

The Hotline was checked and tested and is in working condition.

East Main Lot – communicating parking alternatives to students and visitors; General Plan for Informing of plans to local residents and businesses

Township weekly email to include link to Villanova Project page.

VU update – next 30 days

Villanova gave an update of the next 30 days which can be found on their project website.

<http://designconceptforlancastravenue.com/news-updates/>

Planning

Road closures or restrictions – how informed, signage, traffic mitigation

Timing of Aldwyn Triangle berm and planting

Residents would like to see the planting to be completed sooner.

Aldwyn Lane – These items will be continued to the next meeting.

Construction vehicle use?

New traffic patterns? Light shortened?

Need for overall traffic discussion

Potential for more crime with increased density and use at SEPTA lot?

Sewer agreement update, impact on infrastructure?

Mr. Norcini is in the process of scheduling a meeting with Lower Merion.

Windscreen on Pike Field for houses on Barley Cone (dust screen, etc.)

Villanova and the Township will discuss this further but they don't believe it is necessary.

New Business

Jane Galli – Inquired that when the new buildings are open will the residents be able to use them. Villanova responded that the retail spaces will be but there is still discussions continuing on the use of the fitness facility, etc.

Public Comment

Roberta Winters – Asked for the changes to the plan since the conceptual design be made public.

Toni Bailey – Inquired about road closures during construction because of safety issues.

Tish Long – She discussed the immediate need for traffic calming on Aldwyn Lane.

Set Next Meeting Date

The next meeting has been set for March 3rd at 6:30 PM.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned on a motion duly made and seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer DeStefano