



Town Center Community Association
Board of Directors Minutes

October 12, 2022

APPROVED 

The regular meeting of the Town Center Community Association (TCCA) Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, October 12, 2022, both in-person and via Zoom virtual meeting due to the continued COVID-19 pandemic. Those present for the meeting were Lynn Foehrkolb (Zoom), Chair; Joel Broida (Zoom), Lin Eagan, Dean Dworkin, Jamison Hibbard (Zoom), Alyse Carter (Absent), and Clara Pino Vice-Chair, Board Members; and Lyn Locke, Village Manager and Kevin Fitzgerald, CA Council Representative. The Board was pleased to have in attendance John McCoy, Watershed Manager, Community Operations Department, Columbia Association and Larry Akinyooye, President, Banneker Condo Association.

At 7:01 p.m., in accordance with the TCCA By-Laws, at the request of Ms. Foehrkolb, Ms. Pino called the meeting of the TCCA Board to order.

Ms. Pino asked a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Eagan made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Broida. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Pino called for a motion to approve the September 14, 2022, minutes. Ms. Eagan made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Ms. Foehrkolb. The motion carried unanimously.

Resident Speak Out

There were no residents that raised issues.

Architectural Committee

- **Mr. Hibbard called the ARC meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Dworkin made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Broida. The motion carried unanimously.**
- **Mr. Hibbard reviewed the ARC submission to remove dead trees at 5400 Vantage Point Road at the Residences at Vantage Point.**
- **Mr. Broida made a motion to approve the application as submitted, seconded by Mr. Dworkin The motion carried unanimously.**

Order of Business

- **Town Center Eco Projects Review (CA Presentation)**
- **Town Center Survey Results**
- **Board Policies Review (Volunteers Requested for Ad Hoc Work Group)**
- **Lakefront North Updates (if any)**
- **Strategic Goals Update**
- **Safety**

Town Center Eco Project Review (CA Presentation)

Mr. McCoy discussed possible ecological projects in Town Center to spend the FY2022 Town Center Community Association (TCCA) Excess Cash on. The recommended project was LK-R20: construct a regenerative stormwater conveyance at the existing outfall near Water's Edge Condominiums and the wetland area on Columbia Association property at Lake Kittamaquandi.

Mr. McCoy noted that stormwater flows down Vantage Point Road and flows unfiltered into the streams and then into Lake Kittamaquandi. This project was originally proposed in 2000. TCCA's funds will pay for design, engineering and permitting while additional funds would be needed to complete the project which would also need review and approval of HOA communities along Vantage Point Road and the CA Board of Directors. Mr. McCoy agreed to participate in the January 2023 HOA Condo Presidents Meeting to describe the project to the community.

Per Ms. Eagan inquiry, Mr. McCoy noted the project would take 18 months to two years to complete the project from initial concept to construction.

Ms. Foehrkolb made a motion to approve use of the TCCA FY2022 Excess Cash of \$42,291 on project LK-R20 as presented by Mr. McCoy, seconded by Ms. Eagan. The motion passed unanimously.

Town Center Survey Results

Mr. Locke gave an overview of September 2022 Town Center Survey results. Ms. Eagan noted that Open Space was most important to residents. Mr. Hibbard noted that lakes and trails were also highly rated and important. Ms. Foehrkolb asked to add to next year's survey "which area do you live in" and "which building/apartment" do you live in. Mr. Fitzgerald also noted that the new Roslyn Rise community in Wilde Lake will have more density than the previous community and that there will be a mix of affordable units and market rate units.

Board Policies Review

Per our last meeting an ad hoc work group to review Board onboarding policies was created. In this meeting Ms. Pino and Ms. Eagan volunteered to work in that work group with Ms. Foehrkolb. Mr. Locke agreed to send documents to the volunteers in MS Word to begin their ad hoc project.

Lakefront North Update

Mr. Locke noted that there were not any new Lakefront North updates since the last TCCA Board Meeting. He did note that Howard Hughes Corporation sent a letter regarding the Medical Office Building development that the Lake Kittamaquondi path near Whole Foods will be closed temporarily for 10-21 days to install new sewer lines and utilities. A detour will be marked for users of the lakefront pathway.

Strategic Plan Goals Updates from Board Members

Mr. Locke attended the September 29 State of Maryland Transportation Meeting where the State outlined the funds it has spent, and will, spend on transportation projects in Howard County. The County Executive, County Council and State delegations for Howard County did an excellent job advocating for Howard County.

Mr. Locke met with the new Southern District contact for the HOCO Police, Officer Anthony Wallington to discuss Town Center safety issues.

Mr. Locke noted that HOCO Transportation moved various parking signs along both sides of Vantage Point Road which created 8-12 more parking spaces from Vantage Point Park to the Water's Edge traffic circle.

Mr. Fitzgerald discussed attending the Complete Streets meeting to discuss the accessibility of Town Center in terms of walking and biking. They have worthwhile programs including teaching people how to ride a bike. He also noted that the Transit Center is supposed to be located on Corporate Row and built sometime in the future.

Safety

Mr. Locke noted that it has been quiet in Town Center for the last few weeks in terms of crime. Mr. Locke asked HOCO Police for a November or December 2022 "Coffee with a Cop" Program at Corner Bakery, which was well attended last year.

Board and Staff Reports

Board Chairperson's Report

Ms. Foehrkolb attended the Downtown Columbia Partnership meeting. She noted that there are a lot of new restaurants opening soon in Downtown as well as the opening of the new Marlow apartment building. Ms. Foehrkolb announced that she will be appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals for Howard County in November.

Columbia Council Report

Mr. Fitzgerald noted the following: 1) the CA Board is working on the FY24 Budget and priorities; 2) CA Board is trying to get more people engaged in watching the CA Board Meetings. Only 40-50 people on average watch the CA Meetings on Youtube in a County that has 107,000 people; and 3) CA's recent resident survey stated that renovations of existing buildings are a priority.

Manager's Report

Mr. Locke reported on the following: 1) a draft of the FY2024 CA Budget was sent to the TCCA TCCA Board to review. Mr. Hibbard commented that the CA skatepark is inadequate and never busy compared to the County skateboard park which is more extensive and always packed. Mr. Fitzgerald noted that the visibility of CA services and facilities is important; 2) the Prepare For Success Program reached 3,500 students with school supplies and consisting of 25 elementary schools and 23 combined middle and high schools; 3) at the October 12 Village Managers' meeting CA staff mentioned that seven of the ten villages had excess cash for FY2022. Town Center makes 47% of its revenue from "non charge share" revenue; and 4) 2023 TCCA Board Meetings were added to the columbiatowncenter.org website.

Board Member Comments

Ms. Eagan noted that some Village Centers need to be upgraded to attract more residents and engagement. Mr. Broida thanked everyone involved with the Little Free Pantry. He noted that his article was published in the monthly "Vantage News."

Adjournment of Meeting

Ms. Pino asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Dworkin made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Eagan. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting of the Town Center Village Board adjourned at 8:56 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the Town Center Village Board will be Wednesday, November 9, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

Recorded and attested to by:



Lyn Locke, Secretary/Treasurer

11/9/2022

Date