



December 2007 GACC Public Land Use Meeting

Tuesday, December 11, 2007, 7 pm. Epworth UMC, 6450 Allisonville Rd.

MINUTES

Present: Bob Lehnen, Mike Bivens, Andy Seiwert, Don Melloy, Keith Sims and Mark Dollase

7:05pm Acting President Bob Lehnen called the meeting to order and introduced the GACC Board.

7:07pm **T-Mobile:** by attorney Timothy Ochs. Desires to install a wireless communication facility in the right of way of 70th Street just east of Allisonville Road. Would replace existing IPL wood power pole with a new taller wood power pole, with proposed antenna on top and proposed telecommunications cabinet on a shorter wood pole nearby. Third appearance.

T-Mobile has not yet filed its application, which means that there is still no official variance application. Mr. Ochs wishes to update GACC on recent events. A new handout was distributed with the new proposed cabinet location and photographs of similar installations. Mr. Ochs said his client will agree to paint the cabinet a darker color (green) if GACC insists, although Mr. Ochs reminded the Board that this could become a maintenance issue (field painting being less durable than the factory applied paint finish). Mr. Ochs also stated that his client would agree to supply the Tanglewood neighborhood with the same number of evergreen trees that are typically used for similar installations where screening is required. Mr. Ochs answered questions from the Board and from the audience. No position will be taken until formal application.

7:28pm Mark Dollase arrived

7:38pm **Petition 2007-DV1-066: Glendale Town Center (formerly Glendale Mall).** Tim Ochs of Ice Miller presented on behalf of Kite Realty Group (NOTE: Mike Bivens recused himself and did not vote). Mr. Ochs explained that the Signage Ordinance does not permit free standing signs as proposed for the Macy's department store entrances on Keystone and 62nd Street. Mr. Ochs provided color renderings depicting the proposed signage. Although the signage is sculptural/architectural in nature, the city planners considered the signage to be free-standing, which would require a variance. Don Melloy moved that GACC take a position of No Opposition and Mark Dollase seconded. The vote passed unanimously with Mike Bivens recusing himself and Bob Lehnen not voting but casting Lori Olivier's proxy "Aye" vote. The motion passed. This petition will be heard at 1:00 p.m. on January 3, 2008.

7:56pm Bob Lehnen introduced new items and opened the floor to discussion:

- 1) Several GACC board members met with Eric Strickland of Kite Realty Group on Saturday. Mr. Strickland explained in depth the planned redevelopment of Glendale Town Commons. The meeting was positive and the Kite family and organization was praised for their efforts in the community. The new Target store is scheduled to open in late July 2008.
- 2) Both 62nd Street and Allisonville Road will receive new bike paths extending north to 82nd Street.
- 3) The Metropolitan Development Commission will meet on December 19, 2007 to hear proposed ordinance changes that will benefit the infrastructure. GACC supports the changes.
- 4) Pinnacle is seeking to “grandfather” its illegal billboard, despite losing their legal case. GACC is opposed to the proposed exemptions.
- 5) The historic bridge over the White River on E. 82nd Street may be replaced with a new bridge to match the adjacent newer bridge. Mark Dollase expressed doubt that this will occur, as the city had just spent a significant amount of money to study how to reuse the bridge.
- 6) Two schools are likely to close within Washington Township, Wyandotte and Harcourt. GACC expressed interest in hearing ideas for possible reuses of these structures.
- 7) Michael Colter requested to be included on next month’s agenda.

8:26pm Meeting Adjourned

The next Public Land Use meeting: January 8, 2008 at 7 pm.

Agenda items: **Michael Colter**

Minutes faithfully submitted by Mike Bivens, Acting Secretary.

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