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Taylor Library Building Committee

September 4, 2018 5:00 PM Taylor Building

Attendees

Kendra Amaral
Matt Brock
George Dow
Dianne Fallon
Lee Perkins
Jeff Thomson
Patty Moore
Roger Cole
Jan Lamont-Rodonets

Barry Fitzpatrick

Overview of Comprehensive Plan and Foreside Study – Adam Causey, Director of Planning and Development Comprehensive Plan

Adam Causey presented an overview of the Foreside Study and Comprehensive Plan as it applies to the library building projects in the Foreside. The Comprehensive Plan will be on the ballot this November.

Foreside Study

Adam Causey discussed several aspects of the Foreside plan which includes:

- 1. Government Street repaving
- 2. Improvements to Walker/Wentworth parking on one side of Wentworth, but sidewalks on both sides
- 3. Review of property lines in the area, including the Rice Building
- 4. Possible relocation of the ambulance service to the Gorges Road location, thereby freeing up the current location for development
- 5. Parking changes in and around the Foreside would include shorter term closer to downtown, with increased time limits as move away from center. Paid parking also a possibility.
- 6. Cook building no hotel being sought any longer, but may look for a lodging house, which would be within current code
- 7. Joint Land Use Study with Navy Yard to aid in development of better parking management Barry Fitzpatrick stressed the need to also have parking support for those working off the pier

Kendra Amaral indicated that there is a lot of interest in investing in the Foreside from several parties. Some of the mentioned interest includes hotels, additional food establishments and marijuana.

The Foreside Plan does not need formal adoption and is really just a guiding plan for the area. A community survey will be developed for residents to comment on the Foreside Study and the possible uses and development in the area.

Tour of Taylor Building

Lee Perkins took the group on a comprehensive tour of the Taylor Library, indicating that they have received many offers in the past to purchase the building.

Next Steps

- 1. Review RFP examples.
- 2. Develop plan and steps for public outreach.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Patricia A. Moore