

Friendship Community Group Zoning and Development Committee Meeting Summary

Committee Members:	Committee Members:
Chair: Emily George	Chair: Emily George
Board Member Representative: Joe Mattis	Board Member Representative:
Community Representatives: John Axtell, Jennifer Haven, Tom Hritz, Brian Sullivan, Tom Youngs	Community Representatives: John Axtell, Jennifer Haven, Brian Sullivan, Tom Youngs, Cassandra Osterman
AGENDA ITEM	SUMMARY
Neighborhood Development Updates	
 Penn Plaza - Enright Park <u>https://engage.pittsburghpa.gov/enright</u> DPW needs reminder for timeline? Timeline not on EngagePGH Coordinating with near neighbors for pedestrian-focused design, concerns (John) 	 City applied for zoning and building permits on 12/22 Architecture design by Pashek+MTR landscape firm Al: Jennifer to email list of near neighbors to organize a virtual meeting to gather concerns to take to the city Post-meeting: Neighbor meeting scheduled for 1/10
 525 S Aiken Ave apartment development Committee awaiting ZBA decision 	• AI : Emily to email Daniel Scheppke to inquire about date the decision will be released and to email us a copy of the decision.
• 5128 Penn Ave – Mary's	
 MOU with BGC – meeting with BGC 1/3 	• Al: John to share a new draft of the preamble with Carlee. Carlee to incorporate into a new draft MOU.
 5138 Penn Ave – New Pabla restaurant, liquor license Gathering concerns of near neighbors (John) 	• AI : John to discuss project with Pabla family this month.
 5324 Penn Ave - Children's Home HVAC noise CCP hearing on 1/10 (docket # CP-02-SA-0000686-2022) former St. Lawrence O'Toole property 	 AI: Emily to email James to ask if Deb's office has heard from the legal team about their preparations. Per Deb Gross, City will be represented by Solicitor Krysia Kubiak Post-meeting: Case moving to arbitration 1/23
 5472 Penn Ave – PGC Expansion Contractor: AM Higley Final plan approved? 	• AI: Emily to ask Heather for planning documents that were used for pricing from the contract
 Penn Avenue Phase II Streetscape Project engage.pittsburghpa.gov/penn-avenue- phase-2 Construction to start 2025 per EngagePGH 	 No updates AI: Emily to invite Emily Bourne to discuss at public May ZDC meeting
Neighborhood Environment Updates	
 Baum-Center Initiative (BCI) participation Jennifer is primary representative 	No December BCI meeting

• Tom is secondary representative	
 240 S. Graham - Parking lot Variance request (DCP-ZDR-2022-01693) South Atlantic Inc CCP hearing on 1/10 (docket # CP-02-SA-0000974-2022) Other parking lots behind houses on S. 	• AI : Jennifer to attend Court of Common Pleas hearings on 1/10
Graham • 425 S Winebiddle St – Parking lot • Hearing on 1/12 (docket # MJ-05231-NT- 0000476-2022)	• AI : Jennifer to find out whether the Committee can attend a magistrate's hearing virtually.
 5160 Penn Ave – Family Dollar BGC (Rick S) to set up a joint meeting with owner 	• AI : Tom to email Rick S to ask about a joint meeting
New	
• Penn Ave & N Pacific Ave paving.	• Committee to submit 311 tickets to document.
 Joint Project review BGC Meeting update 	• AI: Tom to ask Rick S when the next Joint Project Review meeting will be.
FCG boundary expansion process complete	• Will remove from the agenda.
• 5546 Baum Blvd – Baumhaus II	• AI : John to call Mike Gornick and get update on Baumhaus phase II status.
 5173 Liberty – Former doctor's office Conversion to art gallery per AgencyCounter 	Permits received, construction ongoing.
• 414 S Evaline – requested variance	 Neighbors are not in favor AI: Tom to inform applicants that they may consider discussing the variance request with their neighbors
 Standing virtual meeting with Councilwoman Gross: 3rd Mondays at 12pm Recap/comments? 	 The Committee discussed the upcoming CHP hearing, Enright park, and the city budget passing AI: Emily to email James Murray to reschedule Jan meeting on MLK Day.
FCG DAM SOP development	
2022 Goals Speakers 	
 Speakers New traffic engineer 	
 Building inspectors 	
 Members of City Council 	
• Member of new City administration such as	
 community liaison/relations Absentee landlord representative 	
Not Actively Tracked Projects	Not Actively Tracked Projects, continued
• 440 S. Aiken	327 N Negley Ave – B'nai Israel development
 302 S Atlantic – Permitting issues 5501 Baum Blvd – Howard Hanna Shadyside 	 200 Stratford Ave – unpermitted apartment 352 Stratford Ave
 5501 Baum Blvd - Howard Hanna Shadyside 5502 Baum Blvd - Goodblend 	
• 5546 Baum Blvd – Baumhaus II	5G cell phone towers

 5623 Baum Blvd - John O'Dell development 5634 Baum Blvd - Hertz 301 S Fairmount - Trash issues 486 S Graham - Albright Church 5207 Liberty Ave - The Junction signage 300 S Pacific - Perk & Brew (new deck?) 5152 Penn Ave - Daycare 5228 Penn Ave - Henry Simmons Art gallery 5401 Penn Ave - former Penn Aiken Dairy 5456 Penn Ave - Montana bldg renovations 5525 Penn Ave - First National Bank Penn/Negley Intersection 	 City legislation Polish Hill/Bloomfield IZOD Residential rental registry Short term rental (Airbnb) regulation Discussion of "house flippers" in Friendship John and Jennifer developing a presentation regarding actions homeowners may consider when approached by house flippers New tax abatement programs (Jennifer)
List of Requests for City Planning:	
 Do other cities have this process where signage is reviewed only after initial plans are approved? Results in buildings being designed to force signage to be in the public right-of-way (ex: Whole Foods, Hyatt) Post results of zoning decisions publicly 	
Next Meetings (first Tuesday of the month)	
 Feb 7, 2022, Location: Pittsburgh Glass Center Even month, Committee members only Mar 7, 2022, Pittsburgh Glass Center Odd month, public meeting 	
Abbreviations	Abbreviations, continued
AI – Action Item BCI – Baum-Center Initiative BDC – Bloomfield Development Corporation BGC – Bloomfield-Garfield Corporation BOD – Board of Directors DAM – Development Activities Meeting DOMI – Department of Mobility and Infrastructure DPW – Department of Public Works	ELDI – East Liberty Development, Inc. FCG – Friendship Community Group IZOD – Inclusionary Zoning Overlay District MOU – Memorandum of Understanding PLCB – Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board PLI – (Department of) Permits, Licenses, and Inspections RCO – Registered Community Organization ZBA – Zoning Board of Adjustment ZDC – Zoning and Development Committee