

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

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

<ul> <li>5623 Baum Blvd - John O'Dell development</li> <li>5634 Baum Blvd - Hertz</li> <li>301 S Fairmount - Trash issues</li> <li>486 S Graham - Albright Church</li> <li>5207 Liberty Ave - The Junction signage</li> <li>300 S Pacific - Perk &amp; Brew (new deck?)</li> <li>5152 Penn Ave - Daycare</li> <li>5228 Penn Ave - Henry Simmons Art gallery</li> <li>5401 Penn Ave - former Penn Aiken Dairy</li> <li>5456 Penn Ave - Montana bldg renovations</li> <li>5525 Penn Ave - First National Bank</li> <li>Penn/Negley Intersection</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>City legislation         <ul> <li>Polish Hill/Bloomfield IZOD</li> <li>Residential rental registry</li> <li>Short term rental (Airbnb) regulation</li> </ul> </li> <li>Discussion of "house flippers" in Friendship         <ul> <li>John and Jennifer developing a presentation regarding actions homeowners may consider when approached by house flippers</li> <li>New tax abatement programs (Jennifer)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
List of Requests for City Planning:	
<ul> <li>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)</li> <li>Post results of zoning decisions publicly</li> </ul>	
Next Meetings (first Tuesday of the month)	
<ul> <li>Feb 7, 2022, Location: Pittsburgh Glass Center</li> <li>Even month, Committee members only</li> <li>Mar 7, 2022, Pittsburgh Glass Center</li> <li>Odd month, public meeting</li> </ul>	
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