



FRIENDSHIP COMMUNITY GROUP

Zoning and Development Committee Summary

Meeting Date/Time: **September 7, 2021**
6:30 pm

Location: **Pittsburgh Glass Center**

<p>Committee Members:</p> <p>Chair: Tom Youngs, Interim</p> <p>Board Member Representatives: Tom Hritz, Joe Mattis, Danielle Novick</p> <p>Community Representatives: Barbara Adams, John Axtell, Emily George, Jennifer Haven, Brian Sullivan</p>	<p>Tom Youngs</p> <p>Tom Hritz, Joe Mattis</p> <p>John Axtell, Emily George,</p> <p>Others – Bruce Chan, Bloomfield Livable Streets, Susan Peterson, Friendship resident</p>
<u>AGENDA ITEM</u>	<u>SUMMARY</u>
<p>Bloomfield Livable Streets</p> <p>Discussion with – Bruce Chan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bruce Chan discussed his role in Bloomfield Livable Streets which is a neighborhood advocate for cycling and non-automotive mobility in conjunction with Bike Pittsburgh. • Bruce reminded that one of the better ways to action desired change is to take the opportunity each year to send request to the appropriate city council member during budgeting season • Bruce also discussed “311 advocacy” where numerous interested individuals submit 311 requests • Bruce suggested that groups should decide upon top priorities and possibly create a “mobility plan” and that Paige Anderson at the City’s Department of Mobility and Infrastructure may be able to assist <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ One priority could be to review pedestrian safety issues on Liberty Avenue and specifically crosswalks that vehicles seem to ignore

<p>2021 Goals Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name change, mission statement and goals posted to website 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete
<p>Neighborhood Development Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Penn Plaza - Enright Park Pittsburgh Glass Center Renovations and Expansion 352 Stratford - Building Eye - August 20, 2021 - Perform Investigation "Issue Criminal Complaint In August 2020, this property did interior demolition work and hauled away dumpsters of lathe and plaster. They never got a permit for interior demolitions. if you talk to the owner, they will tell you: Robert Galli (412) 389-2156" 440 So. Aiken <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ZBA approved Consider inviting near neighbor, Mr. Leone, to ZDC meeting Howard Hanna Shadyside Office, 5501 Baum Boulevard Bloomfield – Polish Hill Inclusionary Zoning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction continues, no further updates No further updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee may need to take next steps such as – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obtaining perspectives from neighbors or Fairmount and Clarendon Speaking with family next door that owns convenience store Speaking with other neighbors Tom Y. to contact City Planner Philip Wu to see if he has suggestions regarding next steps No further information is available Add to Committee’s “watch list” No further information is available <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There does not seem to be a reply from DOMI regarding proposed curb cut Nor does there appear to be any action regarding contextual design from the Contextual Design Advisory Panel FCG does not yet have a position on this proposal
<p>Neighborhood Environment Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Baum-Center Initiative (BCI) participation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular update Need FCG reps 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No update

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trash issues at various buildings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 301 S. Fairmount • Children’s Home HVAC noises <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ St. Lawrence Church and Activities Building (New) • Aldi <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Renovations / scaffolding (Baum Blvd) (permit valid until 10/31/21) ○ New scaffolding and work on S. Fairmount St. side of the building • Bloomfield Neighborhood Plan • Resident request to decrease the length of a loading zone on his block on S. Fairmount (across from the loading dock at Baum Blvd. Aldi) or move the whole thing down about 20 feet (Tom H.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reply from City – Nick Ross • Albright Church • Signage at The Junction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No update • It appears that the City is taking the Children’s Home to court to address the sound issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Children’s Home has purchased the St. Lawrence Church, any work of significance will need to be reviewed and possibly consider in a revised institutional master plan • No updates • John, Jennifer and Sara are reviewing a memorandum of understanding with Bloomfield Development Group • Tom H. will inform resident that he should submit request through 311 • No update • No update
<p>New</p>	
<p>2021 Goals Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations below are tentative – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Representative from Bloomfield Development Corporation ○ Inspector from the City Department of Permits, Licenses and Inspections (specifically focused on violations) ○ Private developer ○ Graffiti (FCG Quarterly Community Meeting?) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
<p>Not Actively Tracked Projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5222 Penn Ave renovations • North Negley Residences – B’nai Israel • Montana Building on Penn Avenue – renovations • West Penn Hospital Institutional Master Plan • Residential Permit Parking 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion of “house flippers” in Friendship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ John and Jennifer developing a presentation regarding actions homeowners may consider when approached by house flippers. • New tax abatement programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jennifer – month? • 5226 Penn Ave • Penn Avenue Phase II • Goodblend • Bloomfield Development Corporation neighborhood planning process involving Friendship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Develop a new strategic plan / community plan ○ Incorporate consideration of expansion of RCO boundaries ○ Incorporate possible development of “Penn Avenue overlay” ○ Include possibility of neighborhood zoning changes? • Penn and Negley Intersection Issue <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DOMI 	
<p>Next Meeting (first Tuesday of the month)</p> <p>October 5, 2021, Location -Pittsburgh Glass Center (Even month, Committee members only)</p> <p>November 2, 2021, Location -? (Odd month, public meeting)</p>	