

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

FROM: David J. Deutsch
City Manager

SUBJECT: ***Status Report***

DATE: March 13, 2014

1. Community Legacy Award

The City has received a grant from the MD Department of Housing and Community Development Community Legacy Program for \$180,000. These grant funds will be used in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's CDBG funds in the Senior Citizen "Green" Housing Rehab Program. Seniors who own their own homes will receive energy audits, energy efficiency improvements, and other enhancements such as new roofs, siding, HVAC systems, windows and doors, as well as electrical and plumbing upgrades. This program is administered by the Office of Grant Development & Administration.

2. Speed Signs

Public Works recently moved the speed signs to the following locations: **Trinity Drive** (fr. Beaverdale Lane); **Delcastle Drive** (fr. Dunwood Ridge Terrace); **River Park Road** (fr. Overbrook Lane); **Johnsburg Lane** (fr. Dolphin Way); **Westview Forest Drive** (fr. Global Street); and **Canfield Lane** (fr. Windover Turn).

3. Street Sweeping

Street sweeping starts the week of March 17th in the neighborhoods of Buckingham, Derbyshire, Kenilworth, Melford and the Vistas. Residents are asked to remove their cars from the street when sweeping is scheduled in their neighborhood. The Street Sweeping Schedule for March – October 2014 is attached; streets will be swept approximately every seven weeks during that time frame. The direct link to this schedule on the City website is www.cityofbowie.org/sweepsched.

4. Economic Development Committee (EDC)

The Bowie EDC held their regular meeting Wednesday morning and newly appointed EDC member Carl Brown was introduced to the Committee. Members were reminded that the nomination period for this year's Bowie Business Recognition Awards closes Friday, March 28 and the awards ceremony is on May 14 (details will follow in April).

The EDC also continued their discussion about improving Bowie's office and flex market competitiveness. The members reviewed information gathered to-date and asked staff many questions. The EDC will continue to work on this topic with the next steps being to organize a facilitated discussion to better define the goals and outcomes for the competitiveness review, to organize the information gathered and see where knowledge gaps might exist, and to ultimately make one or more recommendations to the City Council.

The EDC's next regular meeting will be for the Business Recognition Awards breakfast on May 14.

5. Spring Cleanup Date and Expansion

The date for the spring cleanup is fast approaching. Saturday, April 5, 2014, is the next stream cleanup. Because of the reduced amount of trash collected from streams over the past few events, this one will be expanded to include some wooded areas along road rights-of-way and other areas. Staff and residents have identified several areas in need of work, so this cleanup will be more of a community cleanup with streams included. When the sites are set, a subsequent status report will be provided. For additional information or to nominate a site to clean, please contact the City's Watershed Manager, Tiffany Wright, at 301-809-3043 or twright@cityofbowie.org.

6. Bowie Advisory Planning Board Hearing on Melford

On Tuesday, March 11th, the Bowie Advisory Planning Board (BAPB) conducted a public hearing on the proposed Conceptual Site Plan (CSP) for Melford Village. The plan is a revision to the approved CSP (06002) and includes up to 100,000 square feet of retail, up to 260,000 square feet of employment, 126,520 square feet of research space and up to 2,500 dwelling units (including up to 500 senior adult multifamily units, 1,500 non-senior multifamily units and 500 townhome units). Three residents spoke during the public hearing addressing a number of issues, particularly the need for a safe access connection to the existing Bowie community, a concern about the density, type of units, amenities, etc. and the adequacy of a single access to Melford Village via Melford Boulevard. At the conclusion of the public hearing, Vice Chair Lisa Avery made a motion to accept the staff recommendation, as modified at the hearing, of approval with conditions. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carl Schuettler but failed by a vote of 3-5 (Avery, Schuettler, Loftin in favor; Golato, Skotz, Troyer, Byrd and Trass against; Rogers absent). When asked if they would like to make an alternative motion, the BAPB members declined to make any further motions. The CSP will be scheduled for City Council review in the near future, after St. John Properties completes the agreed-upon revisions to the CSP and Design Guidelines document. Whether St. John Properties will provide some form of workforce housing at Melford, as recommended by staff, is still an outstanding issue.

7. Amber Ridge

The rezoning case, which was heard earlier this week by BAPB, was scheduled for your March 17th Agenda. New information regarding the traffic assessment for the project has recently been obtained by staff. Staff needs time to analyze the data, and therefore the Council hearing is postponed to April 7.

8. BBGC Building

Mayor Robinson and staff met today with two representatives from BBGC regarding the Club's desire to construct an indoor practice facility at Jericho Park. We discussed site constraints, including parking, lack of water and sewer service, potential need to "bulk up" electrical service, among others. We advised the BBGC to retain an architect/engineer to ascertain the impact of various County regulations that may affect the feasibility of such a facility at the desired location. BBGC promised us an update within a month. By then the General Assembly will have adjourned and we will know if this project has garnered the bond bill support the Club is seeking.

Attachment

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Street Sweeping Schedule
March - October 2014

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Adnell Woods (City Portion)	Week of April 7, May 26, July 21, September 8
Allen Pond	Week of March 31, May 19, July 14, September 1, October 20
Amber Meadows	Week of March 24, May 12, July 7, August 25, October 13
Ashleigh	Week of March 24, May 12, July 7, August 25, October 13
Ashleigh Station	Week of March 24, May 12, July 7, August 25, October 13
Belair Greens	Week of April 14, June 2, July 28, September 15
Belair Town 1	Week of April 14, June 2, July 28, September 15
Belair Town II	Week of April 21, June 9, August 4, September 22
Buckingham	Week of March 17, May 5, June 23, August 18, October 6
Chapel Forge	Week of April 21, June 9, August 4, September 22
Collington Manor	Week of March 31, May 19, July 14, September 1, October 20
Collington Station	Week of April 7, May 26, July 21, September 8
Covington Manor	Week of March 31, May 19, July 14, September 1, October 20
Derbyshire	Week of March 17, May 5, June 23, August 18, October 6
Devonshire	Week of April 7, May 26, July 21, September 8
Dixons Crossing	Week of April 7, May 26, July 21, September 8
Enfield	Week of March 31, May 19, July 14, September 1, October 20
Enfield Chase Townhomes**	Week of March 31, May 19, July 14, September 1, October 20
Ensleigh	Week of April 28, June 16, August 11, September 29
Essington	Week of April 28, June 16, August 11, September 29
Fairview	Week of April 7, May 26, July 21, September 8
Foxhill	Week of April 28, June 16, August 11, September 29
Gateway/ Renaissance	Week of April 28, June 16, August 11, September 29
Glen Allen	Week of March 31, May 19, July 14, September 1, October 20
Gradys Walk	Week of April 7, May 26, July 21, September 8
Greystone**	Week of March 24, May 12, July 7, August 25, October 13
Grovehurst	Week of April 7, May 26, July 21, September 8
Heather Hills	Week of April 28, June 16, August 11, September 29
Highbride Park	Week of April 7, May 26, July 21, September 8
Huntington	Week of April 7, May 26, July 21, September 8
Huntington Crest/ Rolling Hills	Week of April 28, June 16, August 11, September 29
Idlewild	Week of April 21, June 9, August 4, September 22
Kenilworth	Week of March 17, May 5, June 23, August 18, October 6
Long Leaf	Week of April 21, June 9, August 4, September 22
Long Ridge	Week of April 28, June 16, August 11, September 29
Meadowbrook	Week of April 14, June 2, July 28, September 15
Mitchelleville East	Week of March 31, May 19, July 14, September 1, October 20
Northridge	Week of April 7, May 26, July 21, September 8
Northview	Week of March 31, May 19, July 14, September 1, October 20
Oakpond	Week of March 31, May 19, July 14, September 1, October 20
Oaktree	Week of March 31, May 19, July 14, September 1, October 20
Old Chapel	Week of April 28, June 16, August 11, September 29
Old Chapel Estates	Week of April 28, June 16, August 11, September 29
Old Stage	Week of April 21, June 9, August 4, September 22
Overbrook	Week of April 21, June 9, August 4, September 22
Palisades	Week of March 31, May 19, July 14, September 1, October 20

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Peach Preserve	Week of March 31, May 19, July 14, September 1, October 20
Pin Oak Village	Week of March 31, May 19, July 14, September 1, October 20
Pointer Ridge	Week of March 24, May 12, July 7, August 25, October 13
Princeton Square	Week of April 28, June 16, August 11, September 29
Ridgeview Estates	Week of March 24, May 12, July 7, August 25, October 13
Rockledge	Week of April 28, June 16, August 11, September 29
Saddlebrook	Week of April 21, June 9, August 4, September 22
Science Center	Week of March 17, May 5, June 23, August 18, October 6
Somerset	Week of April 14, June 2, July 28, September 15
Spring Meadows	Week of April 7, May 26, July 21, September 8
Stewarts Landing	Week of April 7, May 26, July 21, September 8
Tall Oaks	Week of March 24, May 12, July 7, August 25, October 13
Ternberry	Week of March 24, May 12, July 7, August 25, October 13
Tulip Grove	Week of April 21, June 9, August 4, September 22
Victoria Heights	Week of April 21, June 9, August 4, September 22
Vistas**	Week of March 17, May 5, June 23, August 18, October 6
Westview	Week of April 7, May 26, July 21, September 8
Whitehall	Week of April 28, June 16, August 11, September 29
Woodmore Estates	Week of March 24, May 12, July 7, August 25, October 13
Woodmore Highlands	Week of April 7, May 26, July 21, September 8
Yorktown	Week of April 21, June 9, August 4, September 22

** HOA maintained roads and lots are excluded