

GREAT SENECA SCIENCE CORRIDOR IMPLEMENTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Decision Making Process – APPROVED – 6/21/11

BACKGROUND: The purpose of the GSSC “to evaluate the assumptions made regarding congestion levels, transit use and parking. The committee’s responsibilities should include monitoring the Plan recommendations, monitoring the CIP and Growth Policy, and recommending action by the Planning Board and County Council to address issues that may arise, including, but not limited to, community impacts and design, and the status and location of public facilities and open space.” (page 79 of the Master Plan)

PROCESS:

Quorum – 2/3 of committee members (currently 12 of 18).

Proxy – A proxy should only be allowed if the individual was present during the presentations and discussions.

Eligible Decision Makers:

- Those individuals who have been formally designated committee members by the Planning Board. This does not include Planning Board Staff as they are not formal members of the committee.
- If there is more than one individual designated to a particular slot on the committee, (e.g. the municipalities) only one individual is allowed to vote on a particular matter.
- If a formal committee member has a financial interest in the property plan up for discussion, the affiliation should be noted in the decision.
- Non members will have a chance to voice their opinions, but will not vote and may not participate in any consensus discussions.

Decision Process:

- Quorum must be established.
 - Decision Process:
 - Motion is made, seconded, discussed, voted upon.
 - If decision is unanimous we move forward.
 - If decision is not unanimous, we attempt to move towards consensus.
 - If consensus cannot be reached we vote on whether we go ahead with a position or table the discussion. Majority rules.
 - If the decision is not unanimous, the dissenting views are expressed in the committee’s position statement.
 - Planning Staff will draft the position of the committee taking into consideration all issues raised by the committee.
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