MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD’S
RECREATION GUIDELINES
DEVELOPERS – BUILDERS – DESIGNERS WORK SESSION
Introductions

Staff Presentation

1. Purpose of the Revisions
   *New Zoning Ordinance and Directive from Montgomery County Council*
   *Point-based System*
3. Work Session Goals and Objectives

Discussion

   *Professionals Experience: Plan, Design, Construction*
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3. Potential Revisions
   a. New Recreation Types
   b. Urban Infill Recreation
   c. Changing Demand for Suburban Recreation and Rural Amenities
4. *Other Ideas and Solutions*

Next Steps
Basis of Review, Montgomery County Zoning Ordinance:
§ 59.6.3.7 - Standards and Requirements for Recreational Facilities
§ 59.7.3.4.E.2.f - Regulatory Review Adequacy of Amenities

Demographic and Market Conditions
Project Purpose, Goals, Objectives
Issues
Approach and Strategy
DEMOGRAPHICS & MARKETING IMPORTANCE

- Demographic Shifts: Teenagers and Seniors
- Urban Neighborhood Development
- Transit Center Development
- High-Density, Mixed Use, Infill Development
- Building Form, Public Open Space
- New Building Types: High Rise – High Density
- New Recreation Activity Types
THE RECREATION GUIDELINES (1992)

- Private Residential Development (25 units)
- Suburban Subdivisions, Green Fields
- New Building Types: Townhouses
- Demand and Supply
- Findings: Adequate, Safe, Efficient
• Wider Access and More Opportunity for Recreation
• Coordination of Public and Private Resources
• Connecting Public and Private Recreation Systems
• Contextual Design Solutions
• Effective, Connective Spaces
• Suburban, Urban, Rural Typologies
- Broaden the Characterization of Recreation: Social, Physical, Emotional
- Further Understanding of Recreational Needs
- Focus on Urban Recreation Facility Types
- Achieve Creative Spatial Solutions
- Expand Recreation Opportunities in Urban Settings through Design Excellence
THREE GOALS & OBJECTIVES

- Flexible Options for Updating Facility and Activity Types
- Most Desirable Types of Recreation
- Age Group Preferences
LISTENING: THEMES & IDEAS

- Contextual Design Solutions for Effective Buildings and Spaces
- Sustainability
- Universal Access
- Web-Based Interactive Tools
- Flexible, Clear and Predictable Guidelines for Quantitative Standards
NEXT STEPS

2nd Work Session for Developers, Builders, Architects:
January 15, 2016

Public Outreach: February 2016

Planning Board Work Session #1: March-April 2016

Planning Board Action: June-July 2016