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RESOLUTION NUMBER 1069

A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A GREENBELT MIDDLE SCHOOL TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, the Prince George's County school system will begin construction of a new Greenbelt Middle School in fall 2010; and

WHEREAS, the existing Greenbelt Middle School includes the original Greenbelt High School built as part of the historic Greenbelt community; and

WHEREAS, the school system is required to renovate any portions of the building that are deemed historic and has funds budgeted for this work; and

WHEREAS, the County school system anticipates beginning planning work on the renovation of the existing Middle School in late 2011; and

WHEREAS, there is city interest in ensuring the historic parts and other parts of the building are retained for community use such as the gymnasium; and

WHEREAS, there are many possible uses for the existing Middle School space including, but not limited to, a community school, recreation programming, and community meeting space;
NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt that:

1. There shall be established a citizens task force to be known as the Greenbelt Middle School Task Force;
2. The Greenbelt Middle School Task Force shall be responsible for developing ideas and concepts for the reutilization of the Middle School. To accomplish this, the task force shall:
 - A. Conduct meetings to solicit public input on community needs and uses.
 - B. Conduct research into the feasibility of possible uses.
 - C. Meet with school system representatives and others to learn about building operations and renovation options.

- D. Prepare a report to the City Council with recommendations on ideas and concepts for usage.
 - E. Any other tasks to enable the task force to prepare its report.
3. The task force shall consist of up to, but not more than, fifteen (15) citizen members appointed by the City Council. The term of the task force and its members will be until June 2012 with the potential for the Council to extend its term. Should vacancies occur within the task force during the term, City Council will appoint new members. The task force shall also include a City Council liaison and city staff member appointed by the City Manager, both of whom shall be non-voting members.
4. In making its appointments, the City Council shall use the following criteria for a guide:
- A. One (1) member in good standing each from the Advisory Planning Board, Park and Recreation Advisory Board, Community Relations Advisory Board, Arts Advisory Board, Senior Citizen Advisory Committee, Advisory Committee on Education, and Youth Advisory Committee;
 - B. Up to eight (8) citizen members, preferably some with backgrounds in architecture and historic preservation and from the Greenbelt business community.
5. The committee shall elect its own officers who shall be selected from the citizen members.

PASSED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, at its regular meeting, September 13, 2010.

Judith F. Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy Murray, City Clerk