



**Greenbelt Advisory Planning Board
Tuesday, June 18, 2024
6:30 pm**

**Greenbelt Community Center
Room 202**

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES
Minutes prepared by Jaime Fearer

- I. The meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm.

<u>Members</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Keith Chernikoff	X	
James Drake	X	
Ben Friedman, Chair	X	
Isabelle Gournay, Vice Chair	X	
Matthew Inzeo		X
Maria Silvia Miller		X
Syed Shamim (6:40 pm)	X	

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Ben Friedman, Isabelle Gournay, Keith Chernikoff, James Drake, Syed Shamim

STAFF PRESENT: Jaime Fearer

COUNCIL LIASION AND/OR COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Councilmember Danielle McKinney

ALSO PRESENT: N/A

- II. Agenda: Approved as presented.
- III. Minutes of June 5, 2024: Approved as presented.
- IV. Council Liaison Update:
- ARPA-funded Bus Stop Safety & Accessibility list was at Council last night and passed unanimously

V. Discussion: WMATA's Proposed 2025 Better Bus Network

- TheBus 11
 - Mr. Friedman: Asked about coordination between WMATA and PGC DPW&T
 - Ms. McKinney: Asked about losing service along Crescent Road
 - Mr. Drake: Asked about the current frequency of TheBus 11
 - Mr. Shamim: Asked about the current route of TheBus 11
 - Ms. Gournay: Doesn't mind fewer routes as long as frequency increases
- TheBus 15X
 - Ms. McKinney: Expressed concern about Greenbelt Station residential development losing bus access to Greenbelt Metro Station and noted a number of residents currently use the 15X, not only to get to and from destinations on Greenbelt Road, but also to get to and from the Greenbelt Metro station. Can the P20 route extend into the Greenbelt Station residential development?
 - Mr. Drake: This proposal may affect more riders than the discontinuation of TheBus 11
- P20 Greenbelt-New Carrollton (via Hanover Parkway)
 - Ms. Gournay: WMATA should show population density on the maps; the proposed frequency is too long
 - Ms. Gournay: The changes in stops/routing in Center City make sense
 - Mr. Friedman: Liked the proposal for change in stops/routing; shelter at Lakecrest Drive and Greenbelt Road (west side) may get less use; the changes proposed through University Square are positive
 - Ms. McKinney: Any concern for riders that may come from Greenbelt West or Center City and ride to the proposed new Dora Kennedy campus in Landover?
 - Mr. Drake: The current routing with a turn at Westway and Ridge Road is a hard turn and the proposed routing up Westway to Crescent Road is an improvement; better route in Center City to run along Crescent Road rather than turning on Southway and Ridge Road
- P21 Greenbelt-New Carrollton (via Greenbelt Road)
- P22 Greenbelt-Cheverly (TheBus Route)
- P14 Greenbelt-Deanwood
 - Ms. McKinney: This will be an important route to connect to the Purple Line
- P12 Greenbelt-Laurel
 - Ms. McKinney: Could this route go to the Laurel Hospital?
- P1X Rhode Island Avenue Station-Greenbelt
- Open Discussion:
 - Ms. McKinney: Are there connections from Langley Park to New Carrollton? There are none via Greenbelt. Would be great to have one route that connects Greenbelt to Langley Park.
 - Mr. Drake: Can riders see WMATA and TheBus information live online?
- Points for draft report:
 - New stops at the Library/Community Center are a positive change
 - The rerouting of the P20 through University Square is a positive change

- The P20 should route into the Greenbelt Station residential development and at least around the first roundabout at Stream Bank Lane (similar route as the current 15X, which currently stops at both roundabouts in Greenbelt Station along Greenbelt Station Parkway)
- Concern for the ridership on Greenhill Road losing service
- The new routing is fine as long as there is no loss in frequency – concern about loss of service without a true increase in frequency – would like to see more 20-minute frequencies and effective frequency through schedule coordination for the P20 and P21
 - Motion to vote on report points passes 5-0 with 2 absent.

VI. Staff Updates:

- Bureau of Engraving and Printing Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment for Traffic and Utilities Mitigation: City Council comment letter submitted to US Army Corps of Engineers
- Draft Center City Traffic Calming Study: Staff is working on an outreach schedule
- Royal Farms: Mr. Friedman inquired about an earlier plan to plant/replace trees on the backside of the lot – not happening because of the City’s ultimate opposition to the project
 - Mr. Drake: Can the City ask them to plant/replace the trees?
 - Ms. Gournay: Concern for the care for the historic site
- Beltway Plaza: Broke ground; permit for the foundation associated with the parking garage for the first apartment building; planning for a Council work session in August or September
- 7010 Greenbelt Road: No update
- Buddy Attick Park Draft Master Plan: In staff internal review; expect advisory boards to be able to weigh in on the draft over the summer; Council work session in the fall
- Strategic Wayfinding Plan: September 4, 2024 joint APB/AAB meeting
- WSSC Standpipe: Expect work to begin in August; tree removal may occur beforehand
- T-Mobile Monopole: Expect to issue the permit to move forward with installation soon

VII. New Business: No new business was discussed.

VIII. The meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm.