

ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD APPROVED MINUTES OF MEETING Greenbelt Community Center May 11, 2016

Minutes Prepared by Jessica Bellah

I. The meeting was called to order at 7:38 pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Brian Gibbons, Maria Silvia Miller, Isabelle Gournay, Keith Chernikoff, Nicole Williams, Jeff Lemieux and Matt Johnson.

STAFF PRESENT: Jessica Bellah

Presenters: Torben Agesen, Evan Paner, and Chris Hatcher representing Woodspring Suites

- II. Agenda approved as presented.
- III. Meeting Minutes approved as presented.
- IV. Woodsprings Suites

Ms. Bellah gave a brief introduction on the proposed development of hotel at Greenway Shopping Center. The project is a 124+ room hotel consisting of five stories. The hotel would be constructed on existing paved parking areas at the shopping center and necessitate reconfiguration of some parking spaces and drive aisles.

Representatives of the applicant presented the concept plan to the APB board and answered questions. Inside the hotel would be a small market area, lobby, fitness room, and breakfast room. The project would consist of rooms able to accommodate long stay and be outfitted with kitchenettes. The project would need to adhere to modern standards of stormwater management. The development would be owned and managed by Woodsprings.

Board members requested the applicant consider:

- Extending the nearby sidewalks to provide a better pedestrian connection between the hotel and nearby retail destinations.
- Develop shared parking agreements and devote more area to extra green space.
- Ensure adequate room for trees and proper selection of tree variety to ensure vitality.
- Add picnic tables
- Add bike racks and consider potential indoor storage room

The Board also discussed Woodsprings place in the market sector which most closely corresponds above Value Place, below "residence", and most closely compared to Candlewood. The building will not seek Leed certification but will incorporate more modern energy efficiency standards that are now common in new development.

V. Conceptual Plan Buddy Attick Park

VI. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.