



**ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD  
APPROVED MINUTES OF MEETING  
Greenbelt Community Center  
April 21, 2010  
Minutes Prepared by Terri Hruby**

The meeting was called to order at 7:41pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT WERE George Branyan, Sheldon Goldberg, Nelson Galeano, Brian Gibbons and Sandy Lange.

CITY STAFF PRESENT WAS Terri Hruby.

ALSO PRESENT WAS Bill Orleans, Greenbelt resident.

AGENDA: The Board approved the agenda with two additions: City's contribution to the *Street Smart* Pedestrian Safety Program and Update on North Core of Greenbelt Station.

MINUTES: The minutes of April 7, 2010 were approved 5-0. Motion was made by Nelson Galeano and seconded by Brian Gibbons.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

*Street Smart* Pedestrian Safety Program

Mr. Branyan provided an overview of the *Street Smart* Pedestrian Safety Program, which is sponsored by the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB). Mr. Branyan explained that the *Street Smart* public awareness and enforcement campaign is aimed at reducing the number of pedestrian injuries and deaths in the Washington Metropolitan Area through the use of creative radio, TV/cable and internet advertising and through outdoor and transit advertising on bus shelters and bus sides. In addition, law enforcement and local, county and state agencies distribute handouts and tip cards to further spread awareness and educate drivers and pedestrians. Mr. Branyan explained that The *Street Smart* pedestrian safety effort focuses on the "three E's:" education, enforcement and evaluation.

Mr. Branyan explained that the program is funded through contributions from Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia. Program funding for fiscal year 2010 totaled \$658,000. Mr. Branyan explained that based on an established per capita formula, Greenbelt is being asked to contribute \$1,000 to the program in FY 2011.

Ms. Lange moved that the Board recommend that the City Council contribute \$1,000 towards the *Street Smart* Program for FY 2011, and that the City maintain or increase the enforcement component of the program. Mr. Gibbons seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

#### North Core Greenbelt Station

Mr. Branyan asked Ms. Hruby if she was aware of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) suing Metroland representatives (perhaps over the value of the land). Ms. Hruby indicated no, but stated that the developers have filed a lawsuit against WMATA.

#### City-wide Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan

Mr. Branyan distributed and reviewed a draft of the Education and Encouragement sections of the Pedestrian/Bicycle Plan, which he has been working on. Ms. Hruby agreed to fill in missing dates of various events and to locate a picture of *Walk to School Day* that can be inserted into the plan.

Mr. Galeano stressed the need for the Education section to address the vulnerability of the various user groups and to stress the equality issue so that children learn that the automobile is not a form of empowerment, but instead a sign of responsibility. Mr. Galeano provided Mr. Branyan with some suggested language to insert in the Education section.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Gibbons and seconded by Mr. Goldberg. The motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Branyan adjourned the meeting at 8:55 pm.