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Oakland Mills Neighborhood Enhancement Advisory Committee

Report for October 2016 (Submitted 16 November 2016)

COMMITTEE MEETING: 25 October 2016

ATTENDEES: Froydis Beckerman, Jervis Dorton, Lynn Engelke, Anne Fairbairn, and Claudia Hollywood

ARCHITECTURE GUIDELINES SUBCOMMITTEE

- The NEAC Architectural Guidelines subcommittee co-chair (Claudia) gave a progress report on the review of the OM Architectural Guidelines. Subcommittee co-chairs (Judy and Claudia Hollywood), Board members (Kay Wisniewski, Ginny Thomas and Lynn Engelke) and OMCA staff (Sandy Cederbaum, Bob Bellamy and Carrie Wenholz) have met three times (August 31, October 17, and October 24, 2016) to coordinate and combine the joint input of the three groups involved in the review/revision process (the NEAC subcommittee, RAC and OMCA staff), which they represent. This group will meet again on November 15. Revisions to the architectural guidelines will be finalized in early 2017 after a public hearing, Board vote, and consultation with CA attorneys.
- The committee reviewed and discussed a resource list for homeowners, prepared by Brigitta Warren with input from Claudia and others, and approved it for submission to the OMCA Board with recommendations that it be made available to residents.

PROPERTY EVALUATION SURVEY

- Committee members discussed the potential goals, scope, and implementation of a Property Evaluation Survey. This discussion will continue in future meetings as we revise and resubmit our proposal to the OMCA Board.

UNIVERSAL DESIGN STRATEGIES FOR AGING IN PLACE WORKSHOP

- Speakers for the January 7 workshop have confirmed, including:
 - Calvin Ball – Chairperson, Howard County Council, representing Oakland Mills
 - Kelly Cimino – Director of Department of Housing and Community Development; Settlement/Downpayment Loan Program (SDLP) and Renew Howard
 - Karen Pitsley AIA – Transforming Architecture; specialist in Universal Design and Aging in Place
 - Ofelia Ross – Howard County Office of Independence and Aging; Manager of the Home and Community Based Services Division
 - The Village in Howard – participation confirmed; representative TBD

OUTREACH TO OAKLAND MILLS COMMUNITIES

- Committee members approved inviting representatives of FIRN and the CA International Multicultural Programs to our next NEAC meeting to discuss opportunities for strengthening the inclusiveness of our diverse community and participation in community activities and decision-making.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- November 29, 2016; 6-7PM: NEAC meeting, The Other Barn
- January 7, 2017: *RENEW. REHAB. REPLACE. Universal Design Strategies for Aging in Place*
- April 8, 2017: *RENEW. REHAB. REPLACE. Sustainable Landscaping: Rethinking Columbia's Lawns and Gardens*