

**Public Facilities Review Committee
Ashlawn Elementary School Expansion
Meeting Summary
Wednesday, March 13, 2013**

Attendees

<i>PFRC Members (√ = present):</i>	<i>Arlington Public Schools (APS):</i>
√ Charles Monfort, Chair	John Chadwick, APS
√ Lander Allin, Schools	Doug Gehley, SHW Group
Jeff Certosimo, Housing Commission	Christiani deJong, SHW
√ Elizabeth Gearin, Parks & Rec. Commission	Don Hoover, Oculus
Brian Harner, Planning Commission	
Eric Harold, E2C2	<i>County Staff:</i>
√ Jana Lynott, Transportation Commission	Dennis Sellin, DES
√ Inta Malis, Planning Commission	Wayne Wentz, DES
√ John Miller, At-Large	Marco Rivero, CPHD
Heather Obora, Schools	Peter Alchin, DPR
Betty Siegel, At-Large	Freida Wray, CPHD
√ Jason Widstrom, Fiscal Affairs Adv. Comm.	
	<i>New ES#1 Project-Specific PFRC Members:</i>
<i>Ashlawn Project-Specific PFRC Members:</i>	Lynn Pollock, Rock Spring CA
√ Tamara Gelboin, Boulevard Manor CA	Moe Kabiri, Rock Spring CA
√ Josh Handler, Boulevard Manor CA	Paul Cullen, Williamsburg CA
Matt Robarge, Dominion Hills CA	Jim Lunson, Williamsburg CA
√ Scott Christensen, Dominion Hills CA	David Friedman, Yorktown CA
Ed Hilz, Urban Forestry Commission	David Haring, Yorktown CA
Craig Esherick, Sports Commission	Ann Hafer, Franklin Area CA
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	Craig Esherick, Sports Commission

Environment and Energy Conservation Commission (E2C2) Update

The project will meet the intent of LEED Silver certification and will include site specific conditions which will address the sustainability/energy efficiency components of the project. It will include components for energy and water efficiency, low emitting materials, energy efficient lighting and daylighting, maximized solar heating and increased ventilation, and permeable paving materials. The environmental analysis is currently under review by the E2C2.

Schematic Design Update

Updates to the schematic design for Ashlawn Elementary School were presented, including revisions in response to issues identified in the letter to County Board Chairman Tejada dated February 21, 2013. The updates addressed revisions to landscaping, site design, building architecture, and pedestrian and vehicular circulation.

- 1) Revisions to landscaping and site design included, among others:
 - Reduction in the amount of chain link fencing.
 - Opening up the area of the “sledding hill”.
 - Relocation of the bike paths adjacent to the front and rear of the building.
 - Updates on the stair and ramp connections adjacent to N. Montague Street.

- Modifications to the play areas.

Questions were raised regarding the drainage problems in the play areas and the process for how it will be resolved.

- 2) Revisions to building architecture included, among others:
- Greater blending of designs for existing and new structure.
 - Reduction in the pitch of the addition's roof.
 - Minor additional fenestration in blank wall on the east elevation.
 - Different shape windows in media center south elevation.
 - No changes were made to the front entrance or canopy.

Questions were raised regarding the need for additional screening and/or relocation of rooftop mechanical structures. The architect agreed to study and respond to this issue at the next meeting in April.

Transportation Recommendation Matrix Follow-up

The revised Transportation Recommendation Matrix was presented, which highlighted 22 required and high priority elements staff will propose for implementation. There were additional questions and discussion on the Wilson Boulevard and 8th Road connection, and improvements to major roads such as Wilson Boulevard which present barriers to children walking and biking to school.

Next Steps

The next PFRC meeting is scheduled for April 17, 2013, from 8:30 – 10:00 pm, at Courthouse Plaza. The discussion will focus on:

- Follow-up to the Transportation Matrix, including timing of transportation improvements.
- Proposed use permit conditions, including improved maintenance of on-site landscaping.
- Discussion of parking options.

The next steps in the process include:

- April 17, 2013 – PFRC meeting: 8:30 – 10:00 pm, at Courthouse Plaza
- May 6, 2013 – Planning Commission meeting
- May 18, 2013 – County Board meeting

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.