Building and Grounds Committee Meeting 7.11.24

Regina Sharp called a Building and Grounds Committee Meeting
on Thursday July 11 at 6:00 pm
Attendees: Committee members; Regina Sharp, Pax Lindell,
Council Member Jeff LeMay
Village Administrator/Chief of Police Jerry Hayhow.
Terrace Park Resident Jim and Antoinette Rauth
Meeting called to order 6:00pm

Ms. Sharp reviewed the proposed project:

- Mr. & Mrs. Rauth reached out to Ms. Sharp offering to donate money towards a community garden in Terrace Park.
    - The location suggested to be in the Environmental Services Area.
- As background Ms. Sharp provided.
    - The site is approximately 17000 sq ft or potentially 15-20 gardens.
    - It is overgrown but maintenance could help with brush removal in the area.
    - Underneath the site is considerable debris from the Bridge construction which would require us to use raised beds.
    - Water exists in the maintenance area but not at the site proposed.

- Needed to move ahead
    - People in the community to show interest and a group to own and drive the project forward.
        - Discussion was had of Valley View and Mariemont current community gardens.
    - Determine the details of what would be needed (bed construction, fencing, water, storage etc,) cost, admin rules, fees, security and return to the committee with more specific proposal.

Discussion

Ms. Sharp and Chief Hayhow have toured the suggested area and expressed concern over size and community interest. Chief Hayhow has expressed concern over the quality of the soil in the area, due to it previously being used for car and boat parking.

There was concern that the area would need to be controlled to limit accumulating junk or abandonment of materials or gardens

Chief Hayhow also expressed concern over that the upcoming Duke Project.

- Duke will need a location to park utility vehicles and repair equipment during the project and the Environmental Services Area provides a safe location out of the public right of way. This project could extend into early 2027.

Committee sees merit in moving ahead with community discussion but now at a delayed timing due to the Duke project.

Ms. Sharp will brief council at the next meeting.

Ms. Sharp will determine initial community interest for future discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35PM