

TRANSFER OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS (TDR) WORKGROUP

Soil Conservation District Office

Upper Marlboro, MD

Meeting 5: 9/18/2015

9:00 a.m.

Member Attendees:

Yates Clagett Jr. (Chairman), Boyd Campbell (by telephone), Regina Speed-Bost, Gale Lammers

Staff Attendees:

Jackie Brown, Barbara Stone, Kathleen Canning, Derick Berlage, Fatimah Hasan

In order according to the agenda:

1. Welcome and Administration

The Chairman welcomed members, staff and other attendees.

2. Review and Approval of June 19th and July 31st meeting minutes

The item was held. A quorum was not present.

3. Review and discussion of draft letter/report to Council Chairman Franklin concerning status of TDR Work Group

The members agreed that the draft letter is clear and concise. It heightens the need for full membership and suggests a suitable timeline of no more than one year from the original Work Group's Final Recommendation deadline of May 1, 2015 as provided in CR-24-2014.

The members discussed the suggestion to reconstitute the Work Group to nine members. Boyd Campbell suggested that an "advisory member" (citizen, elected official, or business representative) from a municipal area would be beneficial to the Work Group. Yates Clagett suggested a representative from ECO City Farms as a municipal representative "advisory member", and Fatimah Hasan mentioned the Food Equity Council as a resource as well. Mr. Clagett also suggested that a recommendation of the Work Group to the County Council could be that the Agricultural Resource Advisory Committee begin meeting and Work Group members are willing to serve on this Committee.

Regina Speed-Bost offered to make edits/revisions to the letter and provide those changes prior to the next meeting.

4. Review and discussion of draft Council Resolution

The members agreed that the draft Resolution can be modified to broaden the scope of the Work Group's efforts. Ms. Speed-Bost also offered to provide suggested revisions to the Resolution.

5. Discussion – Next Steps/Other Business

Ms. Speed-Bost suggested that the Work Group convene one more meeting prior to transmittal of the letter to Chairman Franklin to specifically discuss TDRs, such as TDR programs in other jurisdictions. Boyd Campbell agreed commenting that the meeting minutes reflect that the Work Group has not focused on TDRs.

Derick Berlage suggested that information can be provided on the advantages and challenges/disadvantages of a TDR program.

6. Meeting Adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

NEXT MEETING: October 30, 2015