

Dix Edge Community Leader Group December Meeting Minutes

December 2, 2020 from 12pm – 1pm via zoom.

Attendees:

City of Raleigh Staff: Sara Ellis, Senior Planner; Matt Klem, Senior Planner; Hannah Reckhow, Senior Planner; JP Mansolf, Planner.

Community Leaders: Jenn Truman, Mel Wright, Eric Braun, John Hinshaw, Marilyn Drath, Terri Edwards, Hayes Permar, Bonner Gaylord, Sim McIver

1. Introductions and ice breaker question for group: what got you interested in becoming a Community Leader?
 - a. Mel Wright – Wright village – new business in the area. All for community and liked the fact that we can get input from the community on how they feel about possible changes.
 - b. Eric Braun – representing Raleigh Housing Authority – been involved in planning matters and retired land use attorney. Been on the PC and was PC chair for 2 years. Particularly interested in the affordable housing component of the study
 - c. Jen Truman – live in wheeler park, paying a lot of attention to Dix stuff and was previously on the dix park group. So much change is coming in good ways and excited to be a part of the conversation and excited about getting the word out
 - d. John Hinshaw – lives in Carolina pines. One of the biggest hurdles is we all know redevelopment is coming, we want to integrate it into the community and retain some of the character of the area.
 - e. Marilyn Drath – new resident to Caraleigh since spring. Doctoral candidate at NC State in history, interested in Planning History, have a background in urban planning. Interested peaked through Dix Park developments.
 - f. Hayes Permar – live in Caraleigh, interested resident and visits Dix Park. Going to learn a lot. Grew up in Raleigh. Interested in learning more and what being on a committee looks like on the inside.
 - g. Terri Edwards – Representing Healing Transitions. Alumni of the program. Wants to know how the study will affect participants.
 - h. Bonner Gaylord – born in Raleigh, grew up here, served on the Planning Commission and City Council. Working on Downtown South development and with Kane Realty.
 - i. Sim Mciver – manager of state farmer’s market, been there for 12 years. Interested in providing input but also interested in learning from everybody.

2. Review rules and group guidelines (this was provided in the application, but I'd like to go over them again)
 - a. Sara shared the goals and ground rules of the group, decision making process, and responsibilities of staff
3. Overview of project schedule and preparing group for review of upcoming Issues & Opportunities report
 - a. Sara shared the study timeline.
4. Outreach task: have group disseminate Visioning Session survey to their networks
 - a. They will be provided with a flyer containing the link that can be shared on social media or emailed
 - b. Has anyone taken the survey – Some have taken the survey. For those that haven't please do. There was some feedback that the income may be intrusive. We include the question so we can verify that the survey is reaching a wide swatch of the population.
 - c. Is income paired with household income? – not included right now. Could be a future change.
 - d. The flier can be distributed in a variety of ways. Could be electronic, or physical copies that can be delivered.
 - i. Jenn – physical drop off
 - ii. John – physical deliver and electronic.
 - iii. Eric – email and possibly physical deliver to the RHA office.
 - iv. Marilyn – digital flier and physical copies.
 - v. Mel Wright – physical copy and digital flier.
 - vi. Sam – post fliers at the Farmer's Market so physical and digital copies.
 - vii. Terri – digital
 - viii. Hayes – digital
 - ix. Bonner – digital
5. Open forum for any questions/concerns/comments
 - a. Properties have changed hands across from Fuller Park – this is a reference to Z-60-20. It would be great to have more of these developers involved in the study. We are meeting with Cory Mason and Bonner Gaylord next week in a stakeholder meeting.
 - b. Has anybody been able to watch the video we put out? It does a good job of outlining what a study like this can do.
 - c. There seems to be a lot of curiosity about what the tax base to support the park improvements would be. Is there some way we could get some information from staff on that?

- d. Staff reiterated that the City team can bring back information to the group, no matter what it is.
6. Missing members
- Pastor Vance of St. John's Metropolitan Church
 - Pastor Gwen McClain of Bright Hope Holy Divine Church of God
 - Pastor Douglas Humphrey of Bridge Fellowship Church
 - Emma Benedyk, Director of the Washington Elementary Boys and Girls Club