

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Ted Trakas

Usually summer is a quiet, relaxed time for the association. No annual membership meetings to plan. The majority of member dues are long past received and processed. Monthly board meetings are suspended from June through August, in observance of our time honored tradition of the summer hiatus. Pass me a Diet Peach Snapple. Life is sweet.

This summer has not entirely lived down to the slow pace that was expected.

We continued to be engaged in a zoning case at 11714 Vance Jackson. The owners petitioned to change zoning from Multi-Family (MF-33) to Office (O-1). On July 16th, association officers met with neighbors from Sunburst and Orsinger, Flores and Company (developers), Rolando Briones, Jr. (District 8 zoning commission), Ms. Diane Cibrion (District 8 Councilperson), Mr. Michael Shackelford (District 8 assistant for neighborhood issues), and Mr. Ken Lawrence (neighborhood activist). Neighbors were not adamantly opposed to the change to O-1, but voiced concerns for more definition of elevation views, drainage plan, traffic flow, and tree and landscape plan. A follow-up meeting is scheduled for mid-August.

Another case arose at the other end of VJ. Vigilant neighbors observed that the building being constructed at 3235 Rock Creek Run, which is zoned R-4 residential, had the appearance of a multi-resident Assisted Living facility, and not that of single family residence. (See newsletter article.)

As of our publishing deadline, we have no final dispositions for these cases, but our expectations are favorable. Diane Cibrion and Michael Shackelford from District 8 have been highly engaged, energetic, and supportive.

So pass me an iced tea. It's summer time for gosh sakes.

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