



MINUTES

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Village Green Municipal Building
Council Chambers (**Virtual**)
47 Hall Street
May 21, 2020
7:00 p.m.

The virtual special meeting began at 7:04 p.m. Those present included:

Committee Members: Brian Lorenz, Chairman; Heather Karr & Melissa Riggins, Councilmembers; Andrew White, City Manager; David Lester & Donald J. DePalma, Citizen Representatives; Dave Betz, Development Director; Rocky Kambo, Assistant Director of Development; and Shawn Boysko, P&Z Representative.

Staff/Others: Megan Canavan, Communications Director; Karen J. Mitchell, City Clerk; Todd Boyer, Tower Company; Thomas Bell; David Hockey; Todd Faris; Jason Woodward, Aaron Underhill, Esq.; and other interested parties.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of May 5, 2020 were approved as written.

Today's Business

- **Cell Tower Proposal Arbor Ridge Park:** Mr. Kambo explained that Todd Boyer, President of Tower Co working on behalf of Verizon, proposes to install a 130-foot cell tower in Arbor Ridge Park to increase reception/data service in the area, which is currently underserved. Todd Boyer, Dave Hockey, and Todd Bell went through their concept proposal to install a cell tower in Arbor Ridge Park and the background of how they selected their proposed location. Mr. Boyer stated that if he reported to Verizon that the City was uninterested in the cell tower, Verizon would be able to install small cells in the right-of-way instead. Multiple residents from nearby neighborhoods express concern and displeasure at the idea of having a cell tower placed in the park.

ACTION PLAN: The majority of the Committee gave the thumbs up for the proposal of the cell tower, but most expressed reservations about locating it in Arbor Ridge as proposed. The Chair asked the Applicants to get with the Development Department to discuss next steps.

- **Possible annexation of 8.6 acres north of Home Road east of Steitz Road and development of 21, two unit buildings (42 dwelling units):** Aaron Underhill, Esq., Thomas Bell, Liberty Bell, LLC, the principal, and Todd Faris, Faris Planning & Design. Mr. Underhill explained the project and states that this proposal is for apartments and is anticipated to attract professionals that are new to the community.

ACTION PLAN: The Committee gave a thumbs up to moving forward with this proposal.

Adjournment - Having no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m.