

TOWN OF CHEVY CHASE
COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN HALL
July 16, 2019

This is a summary of the Council's actions at the July 16, 2019 Council meeting. Detailed meeting minutes are posted once they are approved by the Town Council at the next regular Council meeting.

I. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Voted unanimously to approve minutes of June 2019 Council Meeting.
- Discussed and accepted June 2019 financial report.
- Heard and discussed Town Manager's report.
- Heard public comments.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- Voted unanimously to approve an ordinance, as amended, to limit the permissible operation hours for gasoline-powered leaf blowers and to extend the permissible operation hours for electrical equipment. Discussed a public education campaign to explain the new regulations and encourage use of electrical landscaping equipment. Supported funding for an educational event to address noise and other problems caused by gas-powered leaf blowers.

III. COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS

- Reviewed and discussed Montgomery County's Capital Crescent Surface Trail concept plan, including proposed use of the Town right-of-way along 47th Street and Willow Lane. Expressed support for the concept plan and asked Town staff to begin negotiations with the County on an agreement for use of the Town right-of-way.
- Discussed Zimmerman Park amenities and improvements. Agreed to the final materials selections for the pathway and staircase; and authorized the Town Manager to proceed to the design phase for these improvements.
- Discussed the Town's permit parking program. Agreed to ask the Town's Public Services Committee to study the issue of Town-wide permit parking and to report back to the Council in the fall. Discussed the need to collect empirical data on parking volumes and locations to inform future discussions.
- Discussed the scope and schedule for a Town-wide traffic study. Voted unanimously to approve the content and issuance of the Request for Proposal for the study.
- Discussed Bethesda Downtown Plan implementation, including proposed development at and around the Farm Women's Market site and at 7000 Wisconsin Avenue. Expressed support for Mayor Rush to testify before the Montgomery County Planning Board on the 7000 Wisconsin Avenue project.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

- Asked the Town Manager to provide additional data from the radar speed board on East Avenue.

V. ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.