

TOWN OF CHEVY CHASE
COUNCIL MEETING
November 11, 2020

This is a summary of the Council's actions at the November 11, 2020 Council meeting. Detailed meeting minutes are posted once they are approved by the Town Council at the next regular Council meeting.

COUNCIL WORK SESSION

- Held a work session to discuss Zimmerman Park redevelopment plans. Asked the Town's landscape architect to develop cost estimates for the proposed park amenities. Authorized the Town's consulting engineer to proceed with development of a stormwater management concept plan.

I. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Voted unanimously to approve meeting minutes.
- Discussed and accepted October financial report.
- Heard and discussed Town Manager's report.

II. PRESENTATIONS & DISCUSSIONS

- Discussed proposed regulations of accessory dwelling units (ADUs) and a draft ordinance to implement said regulations. Voted unanimously to introduce the ordinance, as amended, and to schedule a public hearing at the December 9 Council meeting. *(Details of the proposed ordinance will be published in the December Forecast newsletter and posted on the Town website.)*
- Discussed proposed regulations of gas-powered blowers, a draft ordinance to implement said regulations, and a proposed subsidy program for the purchase of battery-powered blowers and related equipment. Voted unanimously to introduce an ordinance, as amended, to restrict the use of gas-powered blowers and to schedule a public hearing at the December 9 Council meeting. *(Details of the proposed ordinance will be published in the December Forecast newsletter and posted on the Town website.)* Voted unanimously to schedule a work session to discuss a proposed subsidy program.
- Discussed the Town Election Board's report on the Town's 2020 election and recommendations for future Town elections. Voted unanimously to hold a universal vote-by-mail election in 2021. Asked the Town Manager to address voter privacy issues identified during the 2020 election.
- Discussed PEPCO's October 2020 rate case filing and plans for a system-wide conversion to LED streetlights. Councilmember Rush agreed to work with Town staff to determine options and costs related to LED conversion.
- Discussed issued and efforts related to the County's update of its general plan, Thrive Montgomery 2050, including a multi-community response letter to be submitted to the Planning Board.
- Discussed issues and efforts related to the County's update of the Subdivision Staging Policy.

III. OTHER BUSINESS

- Councilmember Rush reported on efforts of the Community Relations Committee to plan virtual community events and on the redevelopment status of the Farm Women's Market site.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.