

Town of Chevy Chase Public Services Committee
October 18, 2022

Meeting Minutes

In attendance

Irene Lane, Town Council PSC Liaison
Howard Berkof, Chair
Beth. Barnett, Member
Donna Worsham, Member
Gautam Prakash, Member
Ken Rubin, Member
Michael Coplan, Member
Scott Schacter, Guest
John Beale, Guest (Board Member of CCFD)

The meeting convened at 7:30pm via Zoom. September 2022 Meeting Minutes were approved as amended.

The Telecommunications Working Group (TWG), led by Beth Barnett, provided a short update. On October 25, the County Council passed the Zoning Text Amendment (ZTA) reducing setbacks for cell phone antennas from 60 feet to 30 feet. The Town Council is holding a Public Hearing on November 9 on the proposed ordinance that provides guidelines on 5G installation in the Town. If the Town Council approves the ordinance, the next step is to consider preferred locations for deployment with the Town limits.

The Committee then discussed a potential TOCC Slow Down campaign to remind residents, post pandemic, how to properly drive in a residential neighborhood. Many ideas and suggestions were discussed. The PSC Committee took the action to draft and review a memorandum at the next meeting to request the Town Council launch a formal TOCC Slow Down campaign, with specific initiatives. Implementation would be led by the Town Office with support from the Committee

Finally, the Committee discussed parking considerations on the two streets adjacent to the Corso Chevy Chase property (Thornapple and Woodside Place). Based on Town precedent, the Committee consensus is that adding the two streets to the registry of Town permitted streets would be preferred over the two other options of zoned parking and taking no action. The Committee provides a recommendation to the Town Council to engage with the residents of the adjacent streets and obtain their feedback on the PSC's recommendation to make the two streets permitted.

The Committee agreed to shift November's meeting to Thursday, 10 November, at the Town Hall.