American University
Facilities Planning Working Group

April 25, 2023
Agenda:

- Call to Order, Opening Remarks and Introductions
- Meltzer Center/SCAN Updates:
  - Preview of FPA Conditions
  - Updated Buffer Renderings
  - Schedule Review
- Jacobs Field Sound Barrier Update
- Open Floor Discussion on Facilities Issues
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Ground Rules:

- Respect the Process
- Be present and Engaged
- Follow the Facilitators’ Directions
- Allow Every Voice to Be Heard
- Speak Courteously and Respectfully to Others
- Maintain Zero Tolerance for Any Comment (Written or Verbal) that is Meant to Attack or Intimidate Another Person or is Obscene
Conditions Conceptual Overview

Site Development and Construction Management
- Development shall be consistent with plans submitted as Exhibit 2K1.
- Project shall be designed to achieve LEED Gold certification at a minimum.
- AU will comply with terms of Construction Management Plan submitted at Exhibit 2K.
- The General Contractor will follow DDOT truck routes based on the December 2020 DDOT Truck Map brochure.

Lighting
- Exterior lighting will be consistent with Exhibit 2E.
- Windows facing University Avenue will have automatic shades and rooms with exterior windows facing University Avenue will have occupancy sensors to ensure lights are off when not in use.
- Only lighting that is required for safety and security shall be provided at the Health and Wellness Court.

Noise
- Sound levels generated from activities at the Meltzer Center and building HVAC equipment shall not exceed the decibel levels at the property lines as detailed in Exhibit 2F.
- No amplified sound shall be permitted at the Health and Wellness Court.
Conditions Principles

Buffer
- AU will maintain and enhance the vegetative buffer along University Avenue in accordance with the plans submitted in Exhibit 2K1.

Building Operations
- Meltzer Center and SCAN will be open Monday through Sunday, from 6:00 A.M. to 12:00 A.M.
- After-hours access will be restricted to AU card access only.
- The Health and Wellness Court may only be used for activities during daylight hours.
- The Health and Wellness Court may be used by members of the community when not in use by AU.

Transportation
- AU will provide 50 short-term bicycle spaces.
- AU will continue to work with DDOT to expand two existing and install one new Capital BikeShare station.
Meltzer Center Planting Buffer Design
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Looking Towards the Plant Buffer from 3730 University Ave NW
Existing Condition

Looking Towards the Plant Buffer from 3730 University Ave NW
After Planting & Meltzer Center Construction

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57 Years After Planting & Meltzer Center Construction

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- **4/4:** Steering Committee meeting.
- **4/10:** Filing of FPA.
- **4/25:** FPWG meeting.
- **5/30:** FPWG meeting.
- **June:** Seeking formal ANC approval prior to ZC hearing.
 Updates

- Zoning Order is still pending.
- The permitting process is underway.
- The new NOR139 sound meter has been received and training is underway.
- A location for future sound monitoring has been proposed by Miller Beam.
- The draft checklist is being updated.
- Sourcing of landscape plantings is underway.
Other Facilities Related
Open Floor Discussion
Closing Comments and Adjourn