

Park Morton Steering Committee

Minutes from the August 27, 2020 Meeting

1. The official Park Morton Steering Committee meeting was held on August 27, 2020, by Webex conference call because of COVID 19 restrictions. The meeting began at 6:30 p.m.

2. **Park Morton Steering Committee Known Attendees**
 - Jose Sousa- VP Public Affairs and Communications, DCHA
 - Corey Morgan – Project Manager, DCHA
 - Commissioner Michael Wray – 1A09 SMD – (Co-Chair)
 - Commissioner James Turner – 1B09 Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner, 1B Chairperson
 - Semadra Watson – Area Manager, DCHA
 - Commissioner Kent Boese – ANC 1A Chair, 1A08 SMD
 - Denise Robinson- New Communities Initiative Director, DMPED
 - Samara Gomez-Project Manager, DPMED
 - Darren Jones
 - Marcus Hedrick
 - Aspasia Xypolia- The Community Builders/Park View Community Partners
 - Jason Cohen
 - Tania Jackson- Office of Councilmember Brianne Nadeau, Ward 1
 - Danny Delaney – ANC 1B10 SMD, Secretary of ANC 1B
 - Brianna Nadeau - Councilmember
 - Chelsea Liedstrand – Senior Project Manager, DCHA
 - Peter Tatian – Senior Fellow, Urban Institute
 - John Stringfield- Chief Operations Officer, DCHA
 - Coyan Lewis – Project Manager, DMPED
 - Moises Delrosario
 - Shonta High – Park Morton Resident (Co-Chair)

3. A recording of the meeting is available at: www.dcha.us/ParkMorton

4. DMPED provided a legislative update on the pending Park Morton street and alley legislation. The hearing was held September 17, 2020.
5. The D.C. Court of Appeals vacated the Bruce Monroe PUD and remanded it back to the Zoning Commission to consider seven points. Currently, the development team is awaiting a decision from the Zoning Commission.
6. The development team and DCHA continue to advance Park Morton site and has performed the following activities:
 - Geotechnical studies
 - Submitted for raze permits for buildings in Phase I
 - DCHA is also making ready units in Phase II. These units will allow residents in Phase I to stay on site during construction.
7. All Park Morton updates will be uploaded on the website
8. As of August 27, 2020, 51 families have relocated from the site and 72 families remain on the site
9. DCHA has pledged to provide an update on families' that have relocated from the site since November 1, 2014.
10. Park Morton's housing partners provided an overview of their programs. TCB and HOU provide services as they relate to credit, financial counseling, access to food, technology, and Daniel Sachs with the D.C. Department of Behavioral Health provides mental support for people feeling stress during the relocation process
11. DCHA reminded everyone that all residents have a right to return to Park Morton per Resolution 16.06, which was adopted by its board of commissioners
12. The meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.
13. The next meeting is Thursday November 19, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.