

CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE
DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES



MEMO

To: Greenbrier city residents
From: Nick Rogers, Neighborhood Planner
Date: 3/27/2008
RE: Neighborhood Issues/Development Update

This memo is a monthly update on development activity and neighborhood issues occurring in the Greenbrier communities. Any plans submitted by an applicant are of public record, and can be viewed at anytime here in our offices in City Hall. If you have any questions on upcoming projects, or if new issues arise that should be brought to my attention, please contact me here at City Hall. I can be reached at (434) 970-3091, or by email at rogersn@charlottesville.org.

1. 1801 Hydraulic Road Status: Under Review

Staff is reviewing a preliminary site plan application that would incorporate improvements to Hydraulic Road and construct the first phase of the Hillsdale Connector road. In addition, the plans include grading and infrastructure improvements to prepare a pad site for the relocated Whole Foods grocery store. At their January 8th meeting, the city's Planning Commission approved the applicant's steep slope waiver for the site. *The Planning Commission will review the full site plan at an upcoming meeting.*

2. Whole Foods Status: In Design

The City received an application for preliminary site plan approval for a Whole Foods grocery store with structured parking and on-site infrastructure improvements. NDS staff has reviewed an initial submission of the plans, but is awaiting resubmission from the applicant. *This plan will go to the Planning Commission for review prior to approval.*

3. West McIntire Park Master Plan: Status: In Design

Rhodeside & Harwell, a consulting firm based in Alexandria, was selected to prepare the new master plan for the western portion of McIntire Park. The firm will also be facilitating the public participation process that will contribute to the end product. The master planning effort is being driven by the ground lease that city council entered into with the YMCA to construct a community recreation center in the park. The tentative schedule is to have City Council adopt the finished master plan at their May 19th meeting. *Rhodeside and Harwell will facilitate a public charrette, or participatory design workshop, at CitySpace (Old Visitor's Center) on April 12th from 9:00am – 12:00pm. All members of the public are encouraged to attend and participate.*

4. Little League Field Improvements: Status: In Discussion

Staff has been approached by Bob Schotta from a local Little League about constructing an indoor batting cage facility and additional bathrooms near the existing baseball fields. The application will be submitted by Parks and Recreation, as the City is the property owner for the park. The plans will need to be submitted as a preliminary site plan application.