Chester North Quarter Park Master Plan Committee

Special Meeting, June 30, 2014
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1. Call to Order
The Chester North Quarter Park Master Plan Committee held a Special Meeting on Monday, June 30, 2014, at the Chester Town Hall, 203 Middlesex Avenue, Chester, Connecticut. Chairman Gorman called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

2. Seating of Members
Members present were Bob Gorman, Dean Amato, Doreen Joslow, Richard Nygard, Matt Sanders, Steven Tiezzi and Ed Meehan. Consultants Mike Cegan and Joe McDonnell from Richter & Cegan were also present.

3. Approval of Minutes – June 16, 2014
Motion by Amato, second by Joslow, to approve June 16, 2014 Minutes with a typo correction under Item 4 of “Main Street”. Unanimously approved. Motion Carried.

4. Committee Discussion of Program Concepts 2 and 4 with Project Consultant Mike Cegan
Matt Sanders reported the Park & Recreation Board conducted a field walk of North Quarter Park and are in favor of the Master Plan design concept 2, except for the T-Ball field. The committee noted the multi-purpose field dimensions offered flexibility for informal youth sports and games and the T-Ball field could be set up as one of these optional ad hoc activities.

Mike Cegan began the discussion of concept selection by summarizing the pros and cons of each concept.

Dean Amato presented his reasons to support concept 4 design option pointing out the advantage of screening parking from Main Street, a one story building, the center location may have better solar orientation. Mike Cegan commented the center location verses Main Street frontage would impact more trees including the large specimen Oak.

Ed Meehan expressed support for concept 2 because of street front location, possible 2 story build option, and higher visibility at gateway in to Town center.

5. Committee Selection of Concept Master Plan for Public Information Presentation
Steven Tiezzi moved that the committee endorse concept 2 as the draft option to bring to the public informational meeting on July 9th. Mr. Tiezzi further added the building location could be moved slightly eastward with more review of parking lot entrance and layout to reduce mass of pavement which would improve option 2. Richard Nygard
seconded the motion and it passed with Dean Amato abstaining. Motion Carried.

6. NQP Committee Coordination with Library Building Committee and Future Meeting Schedules
Chairman Gorman reported the Library Building Committee will meet on July 2nd to be briefed on the selection of the North Quarter Park concept design 2. Mike Cegan will make a brief presentation and there will be a discussion of the advantages of this location at Main Street frontage.

7. Other Business
The North Quarter Park Master Plan Committee's public informational meeting will be Wednesday, July 9th, at 7:00 PM at Chester Town Hall, 203 Middlesex Avenue, Chester, Connecticut, Community Room (second floor).


9. Adjournment
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Judith R. Brown, Recording Secretary