Minutes of the Howard County Public Works Board – Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Members present: Ms. Abby Glassberg, Mr. Cory J. summerson, and Mr. Alan Whitworth.

Staff present: John Seefried, Acting Executive Secretary; Robert Barnett, Engineering Specialist II, Construction Inspection Division; Phyllis Watson, Administrative Analyst, Real Estate Services Division; and Juakita Rideout, Recording Secretary, Real Estate Services Division.

Mr. summerson called the meeting to order at approximately 7:28 p.m.

1. Approval of minutes: Mr. summerson indicated that the first item on the agenda is the approval of the minutes of July 10, 2018. Mr. summerson asked if everyone had a chance to review the minutes.

Motion: On a motion made by Mr. Whitworth and seconded by Ms. Glassberg, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of July 10, 2018.

2. Public Works Board Road Acceptance

(a) Subdivision: Vista Ridge, A Resubdivision of Lots 1-4, Creating Lots 5 thru 21, and Preservation Parcels “A” through “D”
R/SS Agreement No. F-08-136
Road Names: Drovers Lane
Petitioner: D.R. Horton, Inc.

Staff Presentation: Ms. Watson, Administrative Analyst, Real Estate Services Division, indicated that D.R. Horton, Inc., a Maryland corporation, has collectively presented a petition to the Director of Public Works for the acceptance of Drovers Lane located at Vista Ridge, A Resubdivision of Lots 1-4, Creating Lots 5 thru 21, and Preservation Parcels “A” through “D”. The Bureau of Engineering has inspected the subdivision and certifies that all public improvements have been constructed in accordance with the approved plans and specifications and meets the criteria for acceptance under the Section 18.202 of the Howard County Code. The Bureau of Engineering recommends that the public improvements be accepted into the County’s system of publicly owned and maintained facilities.

Board Comments: None.

Public Testimony: None.

Motion: On a motion made by Ms. Glassberg, and seconded by Mr. Whitworth, the Board unanimously recommended that the Director of Public Works accept the public improvements located at Vista Ridge,
A Resubdivision of Lots 1-4, Creating Lots 5 thru 21, and Preservation Parcels “A” through “D”, into the County’s system of publicly owned and maintained facilities.

(b) Subdivision: Oxford Square, “Green Neighborhood”, Resubdivision Plat - Parcels ‘R’, ‘S’ and ‘T’ and Revision Plat - Parcel ‘E’
R/SW Agreement No. F-14-011
W/S Agreement No. 14-4836-D
Road Names: Saint Margarets Boulevard (Extension)
Petitioner: Kellogg-CCP, LLC

Staff Presentation: Ms. Watson, Administrative Analyst I, Real Estate Services Division, indicated that Kellogg-CCP, LLC, a Maryland limited liability company, has presented a petition to the Director of Public Works for the acceptance of Saint Margarets Boulevard (Extension) located in Oxford Square, “Green Neighborhood”, Resubdivision Plat - Parcels ‘R’, ‘S’ and ‘T’ and Revision Plat - Parcel ‘E’. The Bureau of Engineering has inspected the subdivision and certifies that all public improvements have been constructed in accordance with the approved plans and specifications and meet the criteria for acceptance under Section 18.202 of the Howard County Code. The Bureau of Engineering recommends that the public improvements be accepted into the County’s system of publicly owned and maintained facilities.

Board Comments: After reviewing a copy of the Deferred Public Improvements Agreement, Ms. Glassberg and Mr. Whitworth expressed some concerns regarding this agreement. Ms. Glassberg wanted to know if the $5,000 for the deferred improvements was enough funding for this project and Mr. Robert Barnett from CID confirmed that it was enough to cover all costs. Mr. Whitworth addressed some concerns with funding for the field equipment outlined as Exhibit A and he wanted to know if and when the agreement was going to be executed since the copies that were presented to the board was unexecuted. Mr. John Seefried, Acting Executive Secretary, stated that the agreement has only been executed by the developer since they wanted to get the board to approve the agreement first. Jeremy Rutter from Rutter Project Management emphasized that the sidewalk is on the outside of the right-of-way and this is the third time that they corrected the handicap ramps. Mr. Rutter also stated that BGE had to connect the ramp to the manhole. Mr. Summerson asked about the timeline of when the project should be completed; Mr. Rutter stated that the developer is waiting on BGE to put in their last crossing. The developer ran into issues with the drainage on the other side causing delays.

Public Testimony: None.

Motion: On a motion made by Mr. Whitworth, and seconded by Ms. Glassberg, the Board unanimously recommended that the Director of Public Works accept the public improvements located at Oxford Square, “Green Neighborhood”, Resubdivision Plat - Parcels ‘R’, ‘S’ and ‘T’ and Revision Plat - Parcel ‘E’, into the County’s system of publicly owned and maintained facilities.

There being no further business, the Public Works Board meeting adjourned at approximately 7:39 p.m.

Melanie A. Bishop  
Acting Executive Secretary

Jaakita Rideout  
Recording Secretary