

Motion on 20-G-64

I move to accept the Final Report as provided by GreenPlay and Associates on the City of College Park Senior and Community Recreation Needs Assessment with the following comments.

(1) The report could have provided a stronger and more accurate recommendation on future indoor facilities and programming needs by including facilities usage data in the report. Specifically, College Park Community Center is the only community center within the city boundary, and GreenPlay should have collected the data of the usage and programming at this center over a period of its operation from the M-NCPPC, and use it in the study.

(2) The statement (on page 51) *"City Park indoor facilities all fall east of Baltimore Ave. and north of the Paint Branch Stream, leaving Old Town and West of Baltimore Ave. without an indoor space."* could have been revised to include a more complete picture. First of all, the City facility Old Parish House is in the south of the Paint Branch Stream and is not included. Furthermore, this section should have included the facilities that are under construction and will be available in a few months. For example, the new City Hall will have meeting rooms in it and is currently under construction. The report also does not mention the meeting space included at the City's Calvert Rd property when it opens as a daycare facility. The City-owned property in College Park Woods, the former pool, has also not been included as College Park facilities by the consultant. The new facilities are "approved and are under construction" and will be available to residents within a few months. They are not "planned" or in the "concept phase", as the GreenPlay consultant stated in the communication. Furthermore, the report should state that Attick Towers and Spellman House are not owned and operated by the City.

(3) The text (*"A proposed new center should be funded by the M-NCPPC and the County"*) in the "Finding" section (page 59) could provide more clarification, as M-NCPPC will be only building very large (60,000 - 80,000 sq ft) community centers in the future, as part of the recommendations in the Formula 2040 plan.

(<http://pgparks.com/DocumentCenter/View/118/2040-Functional-Master-PlanPDF?bidId=> , page 121, *"A key recommendation of Formula 2040 is to move from the current model of building neighborhood-oriented community centers of approximately 20,000 square feet to constructing larger, 60,000- to 80,000-square foot, multi-neighborhood-serving community centers or what is referred to in the Plan as "multigenerational community centers."*)