



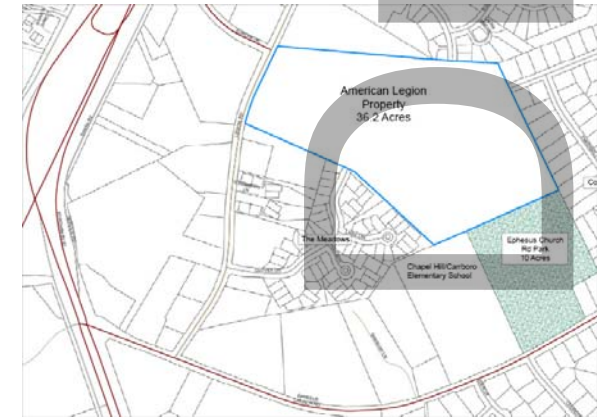
Future Use of American Legion Property



Legion Property Committee Recommendations

Goals for Tonight's Discussion

- Review of Legion Property Committee's (LPC) Recommendations
- Answer Council Clarifying Questions
- Gather public comment
- Consider adoption of LPC's Recommendations



Council Member Petition

- May 2022 – Petition to develop a plan for future use of the property received
- Council discussed the petition in June 2022
- Mayor formed the Legion Property Committee in October 2022 to discuss key interests and make high level recommendations

LPC Meetings

- LPC met on three occasions to discuss high level recommendations.
- Public Information Meeting – November 29th
- Opinions varied
 - All park
 - Mix of a park and affordable housing

Recommended Uses

- Combine 27 acres of the property with Ephesus Park (11-12 acres) to create a new Town park
- Passive and active recreation
- Cultural Arts
- Reserve 8-9 acres along Legion Road for affordable housing, consistent with a Complete Community strategy. Mix of income levels at or below area median income (AMI)

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The Pond



- Earthen Dam is failing
- Does not serve a stormwater function
- LPC recommends evaluating pond to identify water source – long process
- Identify best placement for stormwater features on site

Next Steps

- Engage technical experts for site evaluation
- Assessment of Ephesus Park for streams and steep slopes
- Develop refined recommendations on the pond
- Develop refined, actionable uses for the park

Next Steps

- Identify a greenway through the site
- Prepare RFQ for consultant work
- Finalize a plan for affordable housing and solicit potential partners
- Develop a plan to keep the public informed and engaged throughout the process.

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Questions?

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