

Centerville City Council
Work Session Meeting
October 3, 1994

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

PLACE: Centerville Municipal Building, Council Chambers

PRESENT: Mayor Shirley Heintz
Deputy-Mayor J. V. Stone
Councilmembers Brooks Compton
C. Mark Kingseed
Mark Beasley
James Singer
Sally Beals
Clerk of Council Marilyn McLaughlin
City Manager Gregory Horn
City Planner Alan Schwab
City Planner Steve Feverston
City Engineer Norbert Hoffman
Assistant City Engineer Mary Lou Pence
Assistant to the City Manager Judith Gilleland

Mr. Horn outlined the configuration proposed for the extension of Virginia Avenue from Bristol Drive to Spring Valley Road, thus providing a north/south connector from Franklin Street to Spring Valley Road.

Mr. Feverston reviewed the Thoroughfare Plan for the City of Centerville and explained the grid pattern throughout the City connecting arterial streets with neighborhoods. He reviewed roadway alignments for the extension of Virginia Avenue which have been analyzed by the City of Centerville. The configuration being considered at this time is designed for reduced speed.

Mike Livingston, 134 Bristol Drive, presented to Council a Petition signed by 101 residents in the Concept West Subdivision stating their opposition to the extension of Virginia Avenue. They are concerned for safety and do not see this as an improvement to their neighborhood.

Mayor Heintz pointed out the fact that this connection has been on the City's Long Range Plan for many years.

Lee Althen, 325 Annette Drive, sees no need for this roadway extension.

Ken Volkman, 214 Annette Drive, likes the quiet neighborhood with restricted accesses. He believes that there is currently adequate access from this residential area. He sees no need for one more access.

Harold Campbell, 144 Bristol Drive, making reference to the presentation delivered by Mr. Feverston, did not see this type of connector in other residential areas of the City.

Gloria Clouse, President of the Washington-Centerville Public Library Board of Trustees, reviewed the concept they considered when seeking a new site for a library. The Spring Valley Road site was selected to provide access from a major roadway and be readily accessible for residents in the Concept West area in consideration of the fact that the extension of Virginia Avenue had been planned for many years by the City of Centerville.

Terry Trepanier, 211 Annette Drive, fears this straight through connector will become a race track for motorists.

Craig Maynard, 253 Virginia Avenue, purchased his home because of its location on a dead end street. He asked Council to wait until a later date to reconsider this extension of Virginia Avenue after main roadways have been widened.

Mr. Compton explained the fact that the grid pattern was established by the Zoning Task Force in order to connect neighborhoods with arterial streets.

Discussion followed relative to the safety of people walking to the Leonard E. Stubbs Memorial Park and the new library facility if Virginia Avenue is extended to Spring Valley Road.

Mark Baynum, 85 Virginia Avenue, reviewed the lack of traffic control enforcement during events held at the Centerville Soccer Field and at the schools in his neighborhood.

Mr. Horn outlined the process which the City would follow if City Council chooses to move forward with the extension of Virginia Avenue from Bristol Drive to Spring Valley Road.

Following a brief recess, City Council discussed the pros and cons of this extension with City Staff. Mr. Horn stressed the importance of a through street from Franklin Street to Spring Valley Road through the Concept West area. Additional discussion concluded with the majority of Council concurring that the City not proceed with this improvement at this time; it will be kept in the Capital Improvement Program for reconsideration.

Mr. Horn outlined the anticipated dates for the completion of the clubhouse at Yankee Trace: basement in March of 1995 and the total clubhouse April 14, 1995, however, this schedule depends upon weather permitting. He advised that meetings continue relative to a NIKE tournament being scheduled in June of 1995 at the Yankee Trace Golf Course. The majority of Council concurred to move forward to pursue the tournament at Yankee Trace. Mr. Horn will update Council relative to cost of additional manpower hours for the construction of the clubhouse, during the Work Session scheduled for October 10, 1994.

Mr. Horn announced the ground breaking ceremony scheduled by the Great Traditions Land and Development Company for Wednesday, October 5, 1994 at Yankee Trace. He expressed concern with the fact that this ground breaking will take place prior to the recording of the Plat. Council concurred that Great Traditions proceed with the ground breaking as planned, conditioned upon an Agreement being executed to provide for all work to become City owned if the project does not move forward.

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Approved: *Shirley F. Kerntz*
Mayor