LAMBERTVILLE COMMUNITY ADVISORY TEAM MEETING HIGHLIGHTS July 27, 2020

Update since last meeting:

- The Community Advisory Committee letter was emailed to all subscribers today, 7/27/20. The letter contains a link to the CAT webpage as well as a link to the CAT survey. The paper version of the letter will be mailed to city residents this week. We've already received about twenty completed surveys.
- The Public Engagement and Communications Subcommittee met several times to create the CAT Office Hours protocols: Overview and Guidelines, the Moderator Script, and the Note-takers template.
- Jane Wesby has stepped down from the CAT. CAT co-chairs are currently considering alternates from the applications submitted to the City.

Protocol for reviewing documents and memos:

CAT memos, as well as any other pertinent documents, will be forwarded to the whole CAT for a review period of 48 hours, during which time edits may be offered.

Environmental panel:

Dr. Stephen Souza, a founding principal of Princeton Hydro, was the guest speaker for a panel discussion of his preliminary environmental review and stormwater quality management assessment of the police station site. He explained his review was made using available pubic documents and data. Dr. Souza responded to questions submitted by the Environmental Commission and the CAT. These questions centered around the 2014 Geotechnical Report, as well as general issues relating to soil contamination, storm water, and plant life. His written report will be sent to the CAT on July 28. The report will also be posted to the CAT webpage. The CAT thanks Dr. Souza for generously volunteering his time and expertise.

Talk of the town—what individual CAT members are hearing:

"What are you hearing?" "How can we adapt to better serve the community?" Each CAT meeting will now specifically include time for team members to share comments or questions they have heard from the public. Comments and questions shared included environmental questions/concerns, how the CAT survey was written, how CAT members were chosen, and CAT vs. Council roles. The CAT will work to address these comments/questions. The CAT began to discuss possible site condition assessments.

Office Hours:

The Public Engagement and Communications Subcommittee briefed members on the various protocols for office hours. The schedule was discussed and questions answered. One CAT member indicated that she speaks Spanish and will be able to conduct office hours in a Spanish.

Plan for next meeting:

- The members were asked to consider content for an article in the September issue of Lambertville Matters.
- Emily Goldman will present information re. design and zoning.
- An update on Office Hours and survey findings will be given.

Our next regular meeting will be held on August 6, 2020. Submitted by Andrew Nowick