

COUNCIL OF CHEVY CHASE VIEW

Work Session Regarding Clark/Azar Asset Survey and Capital Improvements Plan

Date: January 19, 2021
Place: Meeting was held via open conference call
Present: Paula Fudge, Chair; Lisa Fair, Pete Marks, Carlos Molina
and Ron Sherrow, Council Members
Jana Coe, Town Manager
Ron Bolt, Legal Counsel to Town
Joseph Toomey, CCV Building Permit Administrator
Julie Sparacino, Moderator
Others Present: Jason Azar, Vice President, Clark/Azar & Associates
Kevin Cannard, 4012 Dresden Street
Bruce Hebbard, 4300 Glenridge Street
David Goldwyn, 4212 Dresden Street
Todd Eskelsen, 4011 Glenridge Street
Al Carr, District 18 Delegate

The Work Session was called to order by Paula Fudge at 6:00 p.m.

At its September 2020 monthly meeting, the Council discussed interest in supplementing the Clark/Azar Capital Improvement Study to include a high-level drainage study to determine where in the Town water is running from the roadway onto private property. The Council approved the amendment to the ongoing Clark/Azar Capital Improvement Study that included recommended roadway drainage improvements that may correct areas of concern. This drainage study would not include any final design or permitting.

Jason Azar stated that the Town's stormwater system (owned by Montgomery County) has been in place for a long time. He emphasized that 'storm drainage refers to conveyance of water' and 'stormwater management refers to retention of water'.

Jason Azar presented the draft report detailing findings that, based on a simple TR-55 hydrology model, the Town's existing storm drain system (or inlets) was under capacity for the flows they are receiving. It is unknown for what storm event the existing stormwater system was designed; however, Jason Azar stated that new storm drains in the County are designed for 10-year storm events. Some inlets see extremely high inflows in excess of their capacity, depending on the storm event that occurs (such as the Sept 2020 event in which the flows were much greater than a 10-year storm event). Those findings were based on a master plan level analysis. Jason Azar did acknowledge that a detailed study of system capacities would be much more costly, as such a study could include the determination as to whether or not pipes were under capacity and whether or not additional downstream improvements would be necessary.

The Council will submit additional questions to Jason Azar and a subsequent final report will be produced for circulation to the Town Council for approval.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jana S. Coe, Manager