

ANC 3/4G FIELD TASK FORCE COMMUNITY UPDATE #7

Hello Neighbors,

On Wednesday, June 14, from 7:00 to 7:52 PM, the ANC 3/4G Field Task Force held our sixth public meeting via Zoom. Below is a quick summary of the meeting and the link and passcode to watch the Zoom recording of the full meeting is pasted below. We are also in the process of posting the recording and this update to our ANC Field Task Force website.

RECORDING OF 6/14 MEETING

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These materials are also posted on our ANC Field Task Force website page which can be found at https://anc3g.org/task_forces/maret-school-ecc-sports-field/maret-school-ecc-sports-field-project-task-force/

The 6/14 meeting was called to order by Task Force Co-Chair Jenny Backus at 7:04 PM. Four of the five Task Force members were in attendance including Co-Chair Mike Osborne, ANC 3/4G-02 Commissioner Bruce Sherman and ANC 3/4G-03 Commissioner Jim Nash. In addition, non-voting Task Force members Trey Holloway from Maret, Edwin Liang from MCN Build, and ANC Chair Lisa Gore were in attendance. There were no RSVPs to the meeting via the public RSVP form and no community members joined the Zoom throughout the meeting. This is perhaps due to the fact that there is very little activity on the property right now since the Heritage trees have been moved and construction permits are being finalized.

MEETING HEADLINES

- No major activity is scheduled for the Field over the summer except for monitoring of trees and some site further clean-up
 - Maret/MCN build will be reaching out to site-adjacent neighbors regarding exterior window cleaning
 - Maret will be looking at the removal of final spoils (mulch/stumps) from the site over the coming weeks
- The permitting process for Field construction is underway, but it is expected to take some time. There are three permits currently in the pipeline. Maret/MCN are working closely with city agencies to answer questions and make any adjustments as requested.
- Maret/MCN will be looking at the gap in the wooden fencing along Nebraska Ave
- Commissioner Sherman informed the Task Force about 2 letters community member Tom Downs sent to (i) the City about potential emergency vehicle access to the field and (ii) Urban Forestry regarding the health of one of the Heritage trees, and said he would share them with the Maret team and the Task Force.
- The Task Force is looking to create an email/text list for close-in neighbors to be used for critical construction updates. It will work with Maret and Commissioner Sherman to gather addresses/numbers on an opt-in basis only.
- The Task Force will not meet again until September 20, 2023.

ECC CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The meeting opened with an update about the ECC's construction from Stephanie Nash. Nash couldn't attend the meeting but sent in an email with a quick summary.

- Their contractor continues with addressing the last remaining punch list items on the Interior Building.
- Overall interior construction has met substantial completion.
- Both ADA ramps are complete.
- Sidewalks are complete.
- Final grass seeding and straw protection are near completion.
- Construction fencing will be coming down this week.
- Permanent Bio Pond fencing is expected in July/August.

MARET CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

- **Trey Holloway reported that the only major activity that is expected on the site over the summer is care for the Heritage Trees.** As reported at the last Task Force meeting, the tree transplantation process is complete and all four Heritage trees have been successfully moved. Since the last meeting, the only new activity is that a tree borer treatment has been performed on the trees to stop insect infestation per guidance from the arborists who are monitoring the trees. Commissioner Nash asked if Maret/MCN were confident that the trees are getting enough water due to the heat and if there are different systems for the trees. Trey Holloway said that the irrigation system has been installed and there is a new irrigation pump in the ECC's media center building to help improve the water pressure for the system. There are also moisture meters in the ground that measure the amount of moisture the trees are getting and ensure it's not too much or too little. He said their arborist has an app through which they can continuously monitor the irrigation system. He also said there are two different zones for watering the trees.

COMMUNICATIONS

- The Task Force chairs stressed the importance of using the ANC Field email ancfieldtf@gmail.com and the [ANC Task Force Complaint/Question](#) form so questions could be tracked and shared for transparency.

The meeting concluded at 7:48 PM.

NEXT FIELD TASK FORCE MEETING WILL BE ON SEPTEMBER 20

There will be NO Task Force meetings in July and August. **Our next public Task Force meeting will be via Zoom on September 20, 2023 at 7:00 PM EST.** [Please RSVP here.](#)

We are committed to working closely and transparently on behalf of the community. Below please find some important information about the Task Force and a summary of the Maret/MCN update/Progress report that was discussed at the 6/14 meeting.

Mike Osborne & Jenny Backus, Task Force Co-Chairs, on behalf of the Task Force

HOW TO CONTACT US:

- Task Force email address - ancfieldtf@gmail.com
- [Task Force webpage](https://anc3g.org/task_forces/maret-school-ecc-sports-field/maret-school-ecc-sports-field-project-task-force/) on the ANC 3/4G website - https://anc3g.org/task_forces/maret-school-ecc-sports-field/maret-school-ecc-sports-field-project-task-force/
- [ANC 3/4G Field Construction Task Force Community Question/Complaint Form](#)

TASK FORCE MEETING SCHEDULE:

- **Our next public Task Force meeting will be via Zoom on September 20, 2023 at 7:00 PM EST.**
[Please RSVP here.](#)
- The remaining Field Task Force meeting times for 2023 are:
 - [Wed, Oct. 18 at 7 PM,](#)
 - [Wed, Nov. 8 at 7 PM,](#)
 - [Wed, Dec. 6 at 7 PM](#)

DRAFT AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 20, 2023 TASK FORCE MEETING:

- Welcome
- Construction update from Maret/ECC/GC
- Questions/Comments/Complaints from the Public

IMPORTANT RESOURCES FOR THE COMMUNITY

Maret and MCN release monthly Progress Reports about the Field. You can find the Progress Reports posted on Maret's ECC Construction Website. Here is the link to the web page

<https://www.maret.org/athletics/proposed-new-fields-at-ecc/construction>

These Progress Reports also are posted to the Chevy Chase listserv and other neighborhood social media channels. Each Progress Report includes a look back, a look forward, and pictures of activity that has happened to date.

[The BZA issued their final written order](#) for the Maret ECC field project on April 12, 2023.

The ANC created a [dedicated page on its own website for the Task Force](#).

https://anc3g.org/task_forces/maret-school-ecc-sports-field/maret-school-ecc-sports-field-project-task-force/ [Maret Athletic Facilities Project Website](#) -

<https://www.maret.org/athletics/proposed-new-fields-at-ecc/construction> is Maret's website dedicated to the project and is designed to provide updated information about the construction of the project to the community. It includes maps, timelines, and contact information for Maret's Construction Manager. Maret is mandated by the MOU to post updates to this site and the Task Force will be monitoring the site to ensure up-to-date info is being provided. Maret will post their latest [Progress Reports](#) in the calendar section.

The MOU signed by the ANC and Maret is linked to the [Maret webpage](#). The MOU contains a detailed explanation of what the project is and is not and also includes important information about the use of the field once construction is completed. here's the link to the MOU through the ANC website:

<https://anc3g.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/ANC-34G-Resolution-re-Maret-BZA-Case-No.-20643-2-28-22-FINAL.pdf>

WHERE YOU CAN FIND FIELD TASK FORCE UPDATES

[ANC 3/4G Website on the ANC Field Task Force Page](#)

[Maret Athletic Facilities Project Page](#)

OUR OPERATING PRINCIPLES:

- The Task Force is designed to get questions and concerns from the community about the construction of the new field addressed quickly and efficiently by Maret/ECC/General Contractor (GC).
- The Task Force will conduct our work in a transparent manner with a focus on respectful listening and speaking.
- Working with the ECC, Maret, and the GC, we will provide factual information to the community quickly and transparently and work to ensure clear lines of communication between all parties involved.
- Through meetings of the Task Force and regular updates, we will keep the community apprised of how the work is going, what's coming next, and what, if any, concerns have been raised and how they are being addressed.

WHAT WE WILL BE DOING:

- Setting a regular briefing and public meeting schedule.
- Sharing accurate information about the project with the community on a timely basis.
- Ensuring citizen complaints are addressed and resolved in a timely manner.
- Holding Maret/ECC/GC accountable.