

ANC 3/4G FIELD TASK FORCE COMMUNITY UPDATE #10

The ANC 3/4G Field Task Force held our tenth public meeting via Zoom on Wednesday, January 10, 2024. 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 in the process of posting the recording and this update to our ANC Field Task Force website which can be found [here](#).

RECORDING OF 1/10/24 MEETING

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The 1/10 meeting was called to order by Task Force Co-Chair Jenny Backus at 7:00 PM and was adjourned at 7:59 PM. Five of the six Task Force members were in attendance including Co-Chair Mike Osborne, At Large Member Marek Gootman, ANC 3/4G-02 Commissioner Bruce Sherman, and ANC 3/4G-03 Commissioner Jim Nash. ANC 3/4G-01 Commissioner & ANC Commission Chair Lisa Gore was absent.

In addition, non-voting Task Force members Trey Holloway from Maret, Stephanie Nash from the ECC, and Johnny Seikaly from MCN were in attendance as well as Maret Head of School Dennis Bisgaard and Terry Fauntleroy and Jordan Ogbonna from Brailsford and Dunlavey, Maret's owner rep for the field project.

There were 3 RSVPs to the meeting via the public RSVP form which was posted on the listserv and between 8 -10 community members joined the Zoom throughout the meeting. Claudia Russell submitted questions in advance to the Task Force which can be found here.

Maret sent out their bi-weekly progress report to the community and the Task Force a few hours before the TF meeting and it was reviewed in detail at the meeting. [A copy can be found here](#) and on the Maret and ANC Task Force websites listed below.

MEETING HEADLINES

- **CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE UPDATE** - The meeting began with a construction timeline update from Trey Holloway from Maret and his team from MCN and the team from Brailsford and Dunlavey, Maret's owner's rep on the site. The Construction Timeline Update is organized into a look back and a look forward.
 - **LOOK BACK** - In terms of the look back, Holloway said there was not much to report in terms of the look back. They had kind of hoped that there would be more activity on the site. MCN Build and Brailsford and Dunlavey are working on getting the final buyout and scheduling for their subcontractors and were expected to have that done soon.
 - **LOOK AHEAD** - Over the next four weeks here is what the teams will be working on:
 - Buyout and scheduling for subcontractors completed
 - Installation of site safety and perimeter fencing - likely in the next two weeks
 - A pre-construction meeting with DOEE before site mobilization with the MCN team and the Earthwork Subcontractor focusing on sediment & erosion control
 - Installation of erosion and sediment control measures (in consultation with DOEE)
 - Earthwork (Soil/stone, construction entrance, erosion control, backfill material)
 - Concrete work beginning (Building retaining walls/flat work/sheeting and shoring)
 - Utility work (manholes, drain basins, bio retention, piping and stone)
 - Commencement of curb cut and construction entrance

- **PERMITS** for the project can be found on the Permit Board on-site and on the [Maret Athletic Facilities Project Page](#). As was announced at the last TF meeting, Maret has received their Public Space Permit #416763 and their Building Permit #BCIV2300110. This week they received an extension of their previously issued occupancy permit for continued access to the site. Still pending is the occupancy permit for the new parking lot work. The updated occupancy extension permit should be posted the week of 1/16.
- **FLOODING DURING THE 1/9 Rain Storm** [impacted two properties adjacent to the field along 28th Street](#). Homeowners reached out to the TF and to Maret and Maret sent over Serv Pro immediately that same night to address the situation. Trey Holloway and members of the Building team also went over to the homes on Tuesday evening and met with the affected homeowners. [In addition to the long-term stormwater mitigation plans for the site that were outlined at the 12/5 TF meeting](#), Holloway announced that Maret will also be working on a short-term stormwater remediation plan with their team and will share that with the affected homeowners and the Task Force as soon as it is complete.
- **TURF** - Maret has selected [Shaw Sports Turf](#) as their turf vendor. They will be using natural pinewood infill from [Brock USA called Brockfill Infill](#) and working with local company [GTR Turf](#) on turf installation. Holloway stressed that an important criterion in their decision-making was the reclamation policies for the turf once it has been used. All three companies repurpose their old products for pet turf, Batting cages, and other products.
- In addition to working with Maret on the turf on their Woodley Park campus and at Jelleff Recreation Center, Shaw Sports Turf has done work for everyone from major league sports teams to DCPS schools. GTR has done extensive work locally at both Jelleff and Maret. Brock grows the wood for their infill on a dedicated farm and makes their own product. They repurpose their infill as a soil amendment for lawns.
- Based on questions from community members and TF members, the TF has requested that Maret make available product specifications and material data safety sheets on the products they are purchasing for the community which Maret sent over to the TF on 1/12 and the materials are available at the links below:
 - [Shaw Sports Turf Legion NXT 2.0 Spec Sheet #1](#)
 - [Shaw Sports Turf Legion NXT 2.0 Spec Sheet #2](#)
 - [BrockFill - Technical Specification Sheet](#)
 - [BrockFill - Typical Properties Sheet](#)
- Commissioner Sherman also asked Maret about their experience with summer camps, turf, and temperatures. Maret stated that they have extensive experience managing ambient air temperatures in relation to outdoor activities in the summer to maintain participant safety.
- **COMMUNITY QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS**
 - Claudia Russell and Nancy Voisin, the two property owners who were impacted by the 1/9 flooding attended the meeting, thanked Maret and the construction team for their rapid response the night of the flood, and asked several other follow-up questions. [Russell had reached out to Maret and the TF before the holidays with some specific questions around her property. Maret arranged for a meeting with her and their engineer and she sent through some follow-up questions.](#) Conversations are ongoing between them.

Nancy Voisin asked about the historical ECC Water Covenants around the infiltration pit that currently exists on the campus near the Media Center and shared a document with the TF which was also shared with Stephanie Nash from the ECC

Stephanie Nash followed up with Nancy on 1/12 saying she spoke with the DOEE inspector who last checked the pit in March 2022 and told the ECC that no maintenance was required. She informed her of the ECC's construction and bio-retention work and informed her about the upcoming Maret work and she agreed that DOEE would return for another inspection. Per the covenant, the inspector explained that in the event maintenance was required, DOEE would provide the ECC with maintenance instructions and a list of appropriate contractors. The ECC will maintain the current infiltration pit until it is replaced by the bioretention structure that is to be installed by Maret.

Other community questions were about the schedule of the construction which are answered below.

● TASK FORCE COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOLS

Several questions came up from TF members and community members re communications protocols for the Task Force. We thought it would be important to reshare those protocols below with some modifications as discussed during the meeting

- The Task Force is committed to regularly updating the community across multiple platforms. We issue updates after each Task Force meeting that include a recording of each meeting. These updates are posted on the [ANC 3/4G Website on the ANC Field Task Force Page](#) and on [Maret Athletic Facilities Project Page](#)
- We share our meeting notices via the listservs, at ANC meetings, and with Task Force members including ANC Commissioners Sherman, Nash, and Gore.
- Our Agenda for each TF meeting is the same. We review the bi-weekly update report from Maret that is shared by Maret with the community, we take questions from TF members and questions from the Community.
- Based on requests from Commissioner Sherman and several community members, we will work to the best of our ability to highlight key topics that may come up at our TF Meeting in our meeting notices in the days before each meeting but residents should also review the Maret Bi-Weekly Reports as well which can be found here [Maret Athletic Facilities Project Page](#) since they account for a bulk of each meeting's discussion.
- Community Members who have concerns and questions about the Field Project are encouraged to notify the Task Force of those concerns via the ancfieldtf@gmail.com email and the ANC Field Task Force Complaint/Question Form. Those concerns and questions will be addressed by the appropriate parties and discussed as part of the next Task Force Meeting.
- All members of the Task Force have access to the ancfieldtf@gmail.com email and the [Complaint Form](#) and the Chairs check those documents daily.
- **IN CASE OF EMERGENCY** If there is an emergency happening on your property related to the Field Project
 - Please email the ANCFieldtf@gmail.com email
 - Please email/call or text Johnny Seikaly from MCN Build at johnny.seikaly@mcnbuild.com; (202) 333-3424
 - It is important to do both actions in case Johnny is not available and also to keep a record of concerns that the Task Force can follow up on.

- **OTHER ACTIONS**

Task Force agreed on Final 2024 Task For Meeting Dates which are listed below. The Zoom Link will be the same for each meeting and the Task Force will send out a RSVP form for each meeting as part of our regular community update.

- The meeting ended at 7:59 PM.

THE NEXT FIELD TASK FORCE MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR Wednesday, February 7, 2024, at 7:00 PM.

[You can RSVP for the 2/7/24 meeting here](#) and we will notify you if there is a change to the meeting time.

DRAFT AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY 7, 2024 TASK FORCE MEETING:

- Welcome
- Construction update from Maret/ECC/GC
- Questions/Comments from the Task Force and the ANC Commissioners
- Questions/Comments/Complaints from the Public

(Please note this agenda is the same for every Task Force meeting.)

2024 ANC FIELD TASK FORCE MEETING DATES

Month	TF Meetings
January	Wed., Jan 10 at 7 PM
February	Wed., Feb. 7 at 7 PM
March	Wed, March 6 at 7 PM
April	Wed, April 10 at 7 PM,
May	Wed, May 8 at 7 PM
June	Wed, June 5 at 7 PM,
July	Wed. July 10 at 7 PM
August	Wed, August 7 at 7 PM
September	Wed. Sept. 4 at 7 PM
October	Wed, Oct. 2 at 7 PM,
November	Wed, Oct 30 at 7 PM,
December	Dec. 4 at 7 PM

STANDING TASK FORCE ZOOM LINK

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89538477321?pwd=cmxmd1F2Tjkzb3ZmQ200ZmRZM3g2QT09>

Meeting ID: 895 3847 7321

Passcode: 273823

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](#)

IMPORTANT RESOURCES FOR THE COMMUNITY

Maret and MCN release 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](#)

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.