

Data Center Ordinance Advisory Group

107 A/B and Teams

March 26, 2025

Check -In

- Wade- Discuss Noise Ordinance update
- Tony A.- Planning is currently working on the scope of work for the consultant for the following:
 - Technical expertise
 - Community engagement
 - The goal for this project to be completed is estimated in Fall 2027.

Wade provided Noise Ordinance Update

- Met with Budget and Procurement regarding the need for a modification to the task orders for the consultants David Acoustics and JMT.
- Will have a meeting with Rutgers University to get more information regarding their noise enforcement program.
- The certification programs will include 5-day online courses and an in-person field day
- Wade discussed an article that was shared by David Nelson that discussed octave bands and C-weighted levels.
- Met with UVA Staff regarding their concerns, discussed emergency vehicles and medivac. Exemptions are in place for medical vehicles in the ordinance.
- Met with the CEO from R.W Murray to discuss some upcoming student housing projects at Innovation, George Mason University.
- Wade - Shared an example of a survey response from Rutgers that can be beneficial to gather resident perspectives with the noise impact they are experiencing. Dale will assist with developing the survey questions for the residents.
- Discussed the possibility of getting a second NL-52 meter for additional testing for both inside and outside the resident's home. – Wade will follow up.
- Kathy K – Discussed the importance of presenting the Noise Ordinance to the Board of County Supervisors meeting by July 8th.
- Discussed the timeline and the deadlines for documents that need to be submitted to the Clerk to the Board to go forward to the board by July 8th
- DCOAG agreed not to move forward with a community meeting.
- Dale B- Suggested to contact Les from Clear Housing to get input regarding enforcement.
- Discussed the Noise measurement meters that will be used for enforcement L50 measurements.
- Discussed the challenges with continuous noise testing with 30-day perimeter monitor vs. dBC and how this can be challenged in court.

- Discussed adding a Martin Jeter to DCOAG. Wade reiterated that he does not want to add any additional members at this point.
- Discussed establishing a noise budget. Currently, we do not have legal authority at this time.

Moseley Architects' presentation of DCSM and Z.O

- DCOAG reviewed Moseley's updated recommendations that include DCOAG feedback from the previous meetings.
- The presentation was led by Tony Alston from the Planning office. Moseley team will join DCOAG on April 9th.
- DCOAG agreed that definitions will need to be more specific.
- Discussed the recommendation about removing Teir Categories vs adding performance standards.
- DCOAG will provide feedback to PWC Staff and will be sent to Moseley along with the Planning office recommendations for the presentation.

Check out

- David McGettingan – Will arrange for Planning Director Tanya Washington to attend the next DCOAG meeting.

Next meeting

- April 2nd – Continue the Zoning Ordinance discussion

Meeting adjourned