

BENNING STODDERT COMMUNITY CENTER MODERNIZATION
100 STODDERT PLACE SE [WARD 7]

MARCH 2, 2015 UPDATE

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Benning Stoddert Community Center Modernization will include renovation of the existing gymnasium building and construction of a new, single story addition to the building. The modernization will include multi-purpose activity rooms, a demonstration kitchen, computer room, fitness area, lounge area, storage, locker rooms, restrooms, and a high-school competition sized gymnasium. A new playground for all ages will be constructed along with various site amenities, new walkways, new landscaping and a new parking area. The sustainability goals of the project include strategies to remediate storm water run-off and certifying the project to LEED – GOLD certification.

The Project Budget is \$6.7 Million

PROJECT UPDATES

During the design phase, project updates will be provided to the community on a bi-monthly basis, beginning March 2, 2015. The next update will be provided the first week of May 2015. Once construction begins, updates will occur monthly.

DESIGN ACTIVITIES

As discussed in February 4th community meeting, the project team has been working on changes to the overall floor plan to ensure that the building is designed and constructed within the project budget. During this process, the design team has been moving forward with the Design Development drawings. These drawings will bring the design portion of the project to about 50%. As part of this effort, DGS, DPR, and the design team have been evaluating the ideas discussed our last community meeting. These include the size of the fitness room, a potential laundry area, location of the playground, natural light in the gym, a staff restroom, and the size of the deck. Other items discussed – including mirrors in the multi-purpose room, accessible fitness equipment, and an ice machine in the kitchen - will be finalized in a later stage.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGER UPDATE

A site walk-through for potential bidders for the Construction Manager was held on February 24, 2015. The concerns with the gym floor were discussed. Bids are due on March 5, 2015. We anticipate that this contract will be awarded in early-mid April 2015.

DPR / DGS ACTIVITIES

DPR is working toward beginning discussions with WTEF about the playground. DGS has started the procurement process for a traffic study, which will be presented to DC Department of Transportation (DOT), and cost estimate for a second entrance. DGS/DPR will evaluate whether the project budget can support a new entrance (if approved by DDOT).

NEXT STEPS

We anticipate the next community meeting will be held in late March/early April 2015. The agenda for this meeting will be to present the design changes and discuss updates to the above.