Presentation:

Gary Wilson/Felix Cardello/David Cocco
Marriott Residence Inn

144 Unit Marriott to sit next to the new SkyVue apartment building. Most will be suites/double suites. Will have a fitness center, public amenities. Parking entrance will be off Forbes and service area off Euler.

Silver LEEDS certification, glass front, 3 types of masonry.

Will need a variance for height. Going before the ZBA on April 23rd and CDAP on April 28th.

Scott Duckett – Campus Advantage/Bob Smith – Redswing/Jen Bee – Desmone Architects
3407 Forbes Avenue – Student Housing

Campus Advantage operates student housing across the US. Student based community with programming (recreation, life skills). Is staffed 24/7 with residence life professionals. Will be leased by bed but residents will have keys to their unit as well as their bedrooms.

Break ground in January of 2016 with completion in August of 2017. Brick and concrete construction. Will need a height variance. 200k s.f. building with 3500 s.f. retail.

10 stories with 3 designated for parking (108 car/75 for bikes). Parking levels will be screened with some sort of “art” installation. Seeking LEED certification.

4th Floor will have a resident “plaza” for outdoor activities and the building will be wrapped in glass. Planning to do street scapes with first floor retail.
Don Smith – RIDC
Almono Site

Site is complete cleared, 178 Acres total. Storm water infrastructure completed. The Mill Building and Round House have been preserved. Goal is to be carbon neutral with solar and wind generation and a geothermal loop.

Ready to bid roads and utilities in May with bids awarded in June with construction to start in July.

Four micro neighborhoods will be developed with connections to Hazelwood.

Planning on making $11 million in off-site transportation improvements required by PennDOT. There will be an Oakland connector through Junction Hollow which will connect to Schenley Plaza, CMU, BRT and Neville.

Mike Breskin
Central Catholic STEM Building

- Central is planning a 35,000 s.f. building which will be both parking and enrollment neutral.
- First floor will be for physics space (interior and exterior), second floor will be biology classrooms/labs and the third floor will be Chemistry space.
- Will be erected on the old townhomes site on Neville. No street closures will be necessary.
- Have been to zoning board and have no decision yet. Will go before the Planning Commission for setbacks, parking, HVAC location.
- Construction will start next fall with hopes of a 2016 occupancy.

OTF Announcements

John Wilds/Kannu Sahni – Pitt

- Pitt is currently in the middle of a five campus food drive that will continue through mid-May.
- Planning an alcohol conference for the fall of 2015.

Todd Reeves – WPA School for Blind Children

- Bellfield Bridge is currently in the design phase and will be presented to the Board soon.

Sean Fertitta – Parks Conservancy

- Carousel is open for the season and summer program planning is on-going.

Drew Wilson – Carlow University

- Commencement will be held on May 9
- Commons project will be completed by August for student move in.

Wanda Wilson – OPDC

- 30 submissions have been submitted for the Eco district project and a firm should be selected around the middle of May.
• OPDC will hold its 35th Anniversary Celebration on June 12 at the WPA School for Blind Children beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Ellen Mazo – Children’s Hospital

• Hospital will hold its 125th Anniversary Celebration on June 4, 2015.

George Hazimanolis – WQED

• WQED is in the process of upgrading the building and parking areas. Building upgrades will lend to more energy efficiencies.

Fred Mergner – Port Authority

• Connect card reloads can now be handled on line. Check the website beginning on April 16.

Zoe Feinstein – Rep. Dan Frankel

• Representative Dan Frankel will be holding a town hall meeting on June 11 at the JCC in Squirrel Hill.

Erika Strassburger – Councilman Dan Gilman

• Mobil offices now at CMU and Chatham have a student focus.
  • Legislation is now in place that new street names must get City Council approvals.

Rita Botts – Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh

• June 7 the Library will once again host their Summer Reading Extravaganza. More information to follow.

Anna Sifken – GBA 2030

• 124 Buildings participated in the Earth Hour event held by GBA.
  • The GBA and URA have received a grant for parking garage retrofits in the amount of $170,000.