

## Land Use & Housing Committee Report

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Tuesday February 25, 2020

### **Billboard at Cayuga**

Robert Long again informed the office late last week his client was out of town so this agenda item has been removed. Staff suggested that if they would like to come to Land Use in the future they be put under new business. The new billboard to be installed at 280 and 94 was discussed. To receive the permit the company needs to remove a certain amount of square footage of current established billboards. The City Council passed a resolution that thirty-eight billboards would be removed across the wards. Neighbors expressed concerns regarding the billboard by Cayuga in the Trout Brook Nature Sanctuary and the easement. The owner met with residents and discussed moving the billboard so motorists could see it and if that was not an option then they could remove trees and foliage from the easement. The committee decided to ensure that the City Resolution is adhered to regardless if there is additional square footage that would not need to be included. The resolution was thirty eight billboards be removed. If the owner of the Cayuga billboard is concerned or wants to keep the billboard he should attend the Land Use & Housing committee.

### **Washington Technology Field Improvements**

Vaughn Kelly and other SPPS personnel discussed the field improvements. The tennis courts will be done this summer. It is a two year project. The project will be on the SPPS website and NENO will be notified when it is up.

### **Business Climate Survey-BOARD ACTION**

Lauren Lynch gave an overview of the business climate survey and next steps were discussed. The three main concerns the survey showed was crime and safety, housing and economic development. **It was recommended that the Safe Neighborhood Committee, the North End Development Team, Land Use & Housing and the North End Business Association identify members and have an adhoc committee to work on the next steps and initiatives for businesses.**

