

BENNING STODDERT COMMUNITY CENTER MODERNIZATION
100 STODDERT PLACE SE [WARD 7]**MAY 2015 UPDATE****PROJECT OVERVIEW**

The Benning Stoddert Community Center Modernization will include renovation of the existing Recreation Center and construction of a new, single story addition to the building. The modernization will include multi-purpose activity rooms, a demonstration kitchen, a computer room, fitness area, lounge area, storage, locker rooms, restrooms, and a high-school competition sized gymnasium.

Various exterior site amenities, new walkways, new landscaping and a reconfigured parking area will be included in the project. 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 \$6,750,000.

PROJECT UPDATES

During the design phase, project updates will be provided on a bi-monthly basis. The next update will be provided in July 2015. Once construction begins, updates will occur monthly.

DESIGN ACTIVITIES

The design team (architects) is working towards completing the permit documents, which will allow the Department of General Services (DGS) to submit the drawings to the DC Department of Consumer Affairs (DCRA) by the end of May 2015.

The DGS project team met with Sorg Architects and their consultants to review all of the LEED credits being pursued for the project, and confirmed that the Benning Stoddert modernization is on target to meet a LEED - GOLD certification.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGER UPDATE

The construction phase of the project was awarded to MCN Build on May 4th.

As discussed in previous community meetings, DGS & DPR will work with the construction contractor, MCN, to develop a plan for community engagement regarding possible jobs opportunities for residents to work on the project. The community engagement will commence, as we get closer to the start of construction.

DPR / DGS ACTIVITIES

DGS attended a meeting with the traffic engineer and DDOT to discuss the possibility of adding a second entrance to the Community Center. While DDOT indicated that they will not approve a second entrance, they did offer some suggestions to manage the parking and safety near the intersection with East Capitol Street. DGS and DPR are reviewing DDOT's recommendations.

NEXT STEPS

Per a request by the ANC Commissioners, the start of construction has been moved from early Summer 2015 to late Summer 2015 so that DPR summer programs can move forward without interruption. We anticipate our next community meeting will be held in August 2015 prior to the start of construction.