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Some movement for proposed Mermaid Lane development

Posted Thursday, May 2, 2024 12:00 am

The owners of the 4.4-acre property at 100-102 Mermaid Lane in Chestnut Hill, whose plans for the parcel have evoked protests from neighbors, have applied to be added to the agenda of an upcoming meeting of the Development Review Committee.

Developer The Goldenberg Group has asked the CHCA to be included on the agenda for the May 21 meeting.

The request comes more than five years after The Goldenberg Group purchased the property for \$4 million. The parcel formerly housed the old Chestnut Hill Friends Meeting House and the headquarters for Blossom Philadelphia, a defunct organization that provided services to adults and children with physical and intellectual disabilities.

Goldenberg's initial proposal for the property included 285 housing units that are six stories tall – a far more dense complex than what is currently allowed under the parcel's current zoning. Since the purchase and initial proposal, representatives of the company, owned by Ken Goldenberg, have met with the CHCA, the Chestnut Hill Conservancy and residents who are concerned about the impact that a complex of that size would have on the neighborhood.

Neighbors and the involved community organizations want the development to be a size that would not overwhelm the neighborhood and include ample parking. They also want to preserve the old Quaker meetinghouse, for which the developer had earlier obtained a demolition permit.

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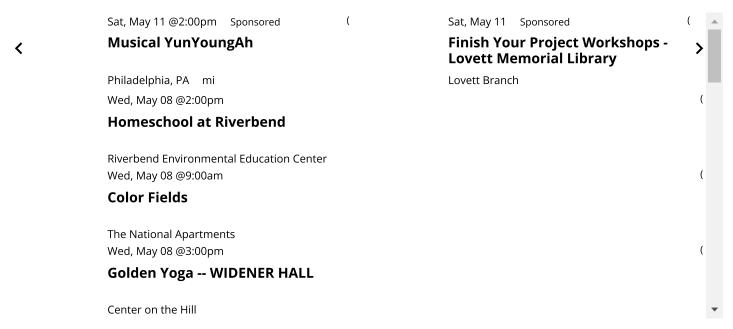
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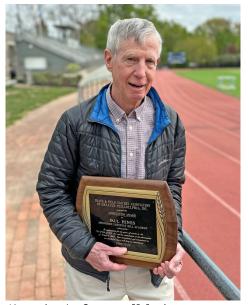


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