

Development Activities Meeting Report (Version: 01/24/2024)

This report created by the Neighborhood Planner and included with staff reports to City Boards and/or Commissions.

Logistics	Stakeholders
Project Name/Address: EV Charging Stations at 203 Cedarville St, 465 Roup Ave at Baum Grove Park, and 140 S Pacific Ave	Groups Represented (e.g., specific organizations, residents, employees, etc. where this is evident): Bloomfield Garfield Corporation Friendship Community Group Residents Department of Mobility and Infrastructure
Parcel Number(s):	
ZDR Application Number:	
Meeting Location: Zoom	
Date: 8/14/2025	
Meeting Start Time: 6:30pm	
Applicant: DOMI	Approx. Number of Attendees: 8
Boards and/or Commissions Request(s): Public Art and Civic Design Commission	

How did the meeting inform the community about the development project?

Ex: Community engagement to-date, location and history of the site, demolition needs, building footprint and overall square footage, uses and activities (particularly on the ground floor), transportation needs and parking proposed, building materials, design, and other aesthetic elements of the project, community uses, amenities and programs.

The applicant began with an overview of what Pittsburgh is already doing in the EV space, including the EV Charging Strategic Plan, and the status of the current federal grant funding this specific project. The applicant then reviewed the City's public charging station goals, explained the different types of EV charging stations, and the implementation process involving a partnership with Duquesne Light. They then reviewed the specific sites within Friendship and Garfield where they are planning to install the EV charging stations.

Input and Responses

Questions and Comments from Attendees	Responses from Applicants
I have a question about the last location, did you say S. Pacific was one way? It's actually a two way, right after Coral St it becomes one way heading South. You may have a problem with Aldi trucks exiting the store off that street. If there are cars parked there it might	When we went out there, we wanted to make them closer to Penn Avenue for the wider turning and existing vegetation. There was talk about the POGO being relocated to Penn Avenue. Personally, I am in favor of having them closer to Penn Avenue to give them enough girth turning on that street. Thank you very much about making that point about the turning circle there
For Cedarville St. where will the parking be located?	It will be on the Pittsburgh Parking Authority lot.

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Will these operate 24/7?	Yes, that is part of the grant requirement. The manufacturer will have to respond in a specific amount of time
Do you want to keep them as close to commercial areas as possible rather than more residential areas?	Yes, for sure. We want to see if it is better for the city to own and operate charging stations or should it just be permitted
Why not have the chargers inside the Aldi building?	For the location picked for this project, we weren't looking at privately owned parking lots. We were looking for city properties in the ROW or in city parks or The grant called specifically for publicly accessible
Is the Baum Grove location considered right-of-way?	Yes, this is ROW curbside parking on Roup Ave that we are considering.
Are cars parked in the direction of traffic flow (legal flow)	Yes, cars are parked in the direction of traffic. If you can imagine (street view provided), the EV port would be about the size of this light pole. It also wouldn't hinder the sidewalk for ADA or general use. All the chargers must meet international
So the existing sidewalk width would be narrowed? Except there are no parking meters there now.	It is considered street furniture and therefore needs to adhere to ADA street furniture standards
How does pricing work?	With equity in mind, we are looking at models that offer average prices over a period of time. We do have the option of adjusting the price over a period of time. For example, it might be x cost for the first two hours and then afterward it might bump up to y cost.
I visited my daughter in Seattle and I saw these charging stations and they were being used the entire time I was there.	Great that's what we love to hear.
Do you feel that chargers would generate business for Aldi or Aldi would generate use of chargers? Or mutual advantage?	I think it would be mutual. In the hour or two that your grocery shopping, let's say your car is at 20% it could get charged up to 80% just while you're shopping. We want to make sure everyone is benefitting as much as possible. Perhaps in a few years this could be used as an economic generator for struggling neighbor
Will there be signage for EV only parking?	We are still looking at several different models, but yes something like that will likely be developed. We are starting with parking lots first before we develop the ROW policy. How that is enforced, we are still working out the nuts and bolts.
Will there be a color code? Like a green curb or something?	Yes, it is likely to have some kind of color code. Exactly what colors we don't have that set yet.
This DAM is a little early, will there be another DAM in the future?	Generally, around this time next year we will be doing another round of engagements. Information will also be available online on the Engage page. We are trying to get

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	feedback now so that, a year from now, there are no surprises.

Other Notes

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