

Accomack County Planning Commission Minutes of October 23, 2012

Virginia: At a meeting of the Accomack County Planning Commission held on the 23rd day of October 2012, in the Accomack County Administration Building School Board Conference Room, Room #201, Accomac.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

A. MEMBERS PRESENT AND ABSENT

Planning Commission Members Present

Mr. George Parker, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Leander Roberts
Mr. C. Robert Hickman
Mr. Pete Onley
Mr. Tony Picardi
Mr. David Lumgair

Members Absent:

Mr. E. Phillip Hickman, Chairman
Mr. Alan Silverman

Others Present:

Mr. Rich Morrison, Director of Planning and Community Development
Mr. Robert Testerman, Land Use Planner
Ms. Hollis Fate, Administrative Assistant

B. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

There being a quorum, Vice-Chairman Parker called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

On a motion made by Mr. Roberts and seconded by Mr. Lumgair, the Planning Commission members present voted unanimously to adopt the agenda.

3. **COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE DISCUSSION**

Before the "Comprehensive Plan Item List" was discussed and prioritized, a detailed discussion on whether or not a full review or basic review of the Comprehensive Plan was needed took place. Many of the concerns that were discussed would require a full review to be completed.

Because a full review of the Comprehensive Plan is needed and preferred, it was suggested that some sort of timeline be created, outlining the items that need to be reviewed in the update, along with a statement or a report, and those items be submitted as the required update. The statement would simply explain that because the Comprehensive Plan needs a significant amount of improvement, the review will take a great deal of time to complete. Also, once a timeline is developed, an expected date of completion should be included in the statement.

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The Planning Commission discussed and agreed that the following items (some of which are included in the “Comprehensive Plan Item List”) are top priority for review. *Please note that these items are not listed in any specific order and that this is not a complete list of items that will be reviewed and updated in the Comprehensive Plan:

1. Demographics
2. Population
3. Public utilities (definition clarification)
4. Traffic
5. Tourism
6. Recreation
7. Planned Unit Development (PUD)
8. Stormwater
9. Proffers

The Planning Commission asked Mr. Morrison what matters are on the horizon and Mr. Morrison listed the following:

- Blue/Green Infrastructure
- Joint Land Use Study (JLUS)
- Market Study (the intent was to help with the Comprehensive Plan update)
- Sub-area plans for the Onley/Onancock area
- Planned Unit Development (PUD) submitted by Atlantic Town Center (ATC)

By the conclusion of the work session, the Planning Commission seemed to agree that a full review of the Comprehensive Plan is needed. Staff was instructed to provide numerous items including, but limited to, demographics and the market study to aid the Planning Commission in its review.

4. OTHER BUSINESS:

No other matters to discuss at this time.

5. NEXT MEETING:

The next regular Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 14, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. in the Accomack County School Board office conference room, Accomac.

6. ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion made by Mr. Picardi and seconded by Mr. C. Robert Hickman, the Planning Commission members present voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Vice-Chairman Parker adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

George Parker, Vice-Chairman

Hollis Fate, Administrative Assistant