

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

Minutes of July 6, 2020 6:00 p.m. Teleconference La Plata, Maryland 20646

The Charles County Planning Commission held its regularly scheduled meeting virtually via Microsoft Teams on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

The following persons were present:

Wayne Magoon, Chairman
William Murray, Vice Chair
Rick Viohl, Secretary
Dawud Abdur-Rahman
Robin Barnes
Angela Sherard
Kevin Wedding
Elizabeth Theobalds, Deputy County Attorney
Jessica Andritz, Associate Attorney
James Campbell, Planning Director
Charles Rice, Assistant Chief of Planning
Heather Kelley, Program Manager
Melissa Hively, Clerk

1. Call to Order:

The Chair called the virtual meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. with seven (7) members in attendance.

2. Approval of the Agenda:

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Barnes to approve the Agenda, which was **SECONDED** by Mr. Murray. The vote was unanimous, and the **MOTION** passed.

3. Approval of the Minutes:

1. June 8, 2020

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Wedding to approve the Minutes, which was **SECONDED** by Mr. Barnes. The vote was unanimous, and the **MOTION** passed.

4. Chairman's Comments:

Mr. Magoon commented briefly on the continuing public health crisis and encouraged all to remain safe and healthy.

5. Personal Appearances:

None

6. Public Hearings:

None

7. Public Meeting:

None

8. Work Session:

1. ZTA #20-156, Agricultural-Related Uses

Staff presented an overview of the comments received for the Zoning Text Amendment during the open record period. After the presentation, the Planning Commission asked several questions. The Chairperson of the Rural Planning and Zoning Task Force, Brianna Bowling, made herself available and answered additional questions. After a discussion, a MOTION was made by Ms. Sherard to forward the Planning Commission's ideas and comments to Staff, and directed Staff to draft an updated document that incorporates the Planning Commission members' discussions, questions and proposed resolutions to issues that provide a more balanced approach to the findings of the Rural Planning and Zoning Task Force. The MOTION was SECONDED by Mr. Wedding. The vote was unanimous, and the MOTION passed. Staff estimated that the updated document would be presented in August.

A recess was called at 6:50 p.m., and the meeting resumed at 6:55 p.m.

9. Unfinished Business:

None

10. New Business:

1. Briefing: Proposed Nanjemoy Rural Legacy Area Application

Staff presented a brief overview of a proposed Nanjemoy Rural Legacy Area application and proposed timeline. A Public Hearing will be scheduled for an upcoming Planning Commission meeting.

11. Director's Report:

Mr. Campbell provided a brief overview of upcoming items.

12. Adjournment:

A **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Wedding, which was **SECONDED** by Mr. Barnes. The vote was unanimous, and the meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Rick Viohl, Secretary