

PLANNING COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

Minutes of July 12, 2021 6:00 p.m. Teleconference La Plata, Maryland 20646

The Charles County Planning Commission held a Special Meeting virtually via Microsoft Teams on Monday, July 12, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

The following persons were present:

Wayne Magoon, Chairman
Robin Barnes, Vice Chair
Dawud Abdur-Rahman, Secretary
Maya Coleman
William Murray
Angela Sherard
Kevin Wedding
Elizabeth Theobalds, Deputy County Attorney
James Campbell, Planning Commission
Heather Kelley, Planning Supervisor
Amy Blessinger, Planner III
Ben Yeckley, Planner III
Melissa Hively, Clerk

1. Call to Order:

The Chair called the virtual Special Meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. with seven (7) members in attendance.

2. Work Session:

Planning Commission Discussion on Alternative Housing Ideas for Affordable Housing

At the start of the Work Session, the Chair read the following the statement:

The purpose of this Special Meeting is for the Planning Commission to hold a Work Session to discuss alternative housing ideas, related to Affordable Housing, that have been introduced by Planning Commission members. Staff will be available to present certain requested information and to answer questions. In accordance with the Planning Commission Rules of Practice and Procedures, actions and discussion are limited only to the defined purpose of a Special Meeting.

Staff gave a brief presentation on tiny homes, which had been previously requested by a member of the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission asked several questions and engaged in discussion.

Next, the Planning Commission discussed the documents Mr. Murray previously provided relating to small, cottage-style homes. Staff answered questions on various topics, including the 2018 housing study and concerns regarding the homeless population.

The Planning Commission decided to schedule a meeting with the County Commissioners to discuss alternative and affordable housing.

3. Adjournment:

A **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Barnes, which was **SECONDED** by Mr. Wedding. The vote was unanimous, and the meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Dawud Abdur-Rahman (Aug 3, 2021 12:40 EDT)

Dawud Abdur-Rahman, Secretary

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