

AT A WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF JAMES CITY, VIRGINIA, HELD ON THE 10TH DAY OF JUNE, 2003, AT 4:00 P.M. IN THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER BOARD ROOM, 101 MOUNTS BAY ROAD, JAMES CITY COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

A. ROLL CALL

Jay T. Harrison, Sr., Chairman, Berkeley District
Bruce C. Goodson, Vice Chairman, Roberts District
John J. McGlennon, Jamestown District
Michael J. Brown, Powhatan District
James G. Kennedy, Stonehouse District

Sanford B. Wanner, County Administrator
Frank M. Morton, III, County Attorney

B. BOARD DISCUSSION

1. Draft 2003 Comprehensive Plan Discussion with the Planning Commission and Members of the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee

a. Introductions

Mr. Joe Poole, Chair of the Planning Commission, introduced members of the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee and Planning Commission.

b. Presentation of the Draft 2003 Comprehensive Plan as unanimously adopted by the Steering Committee

Mr. Joe McCleary, Vice Chair of the Planning Commission, provided the Board with an overview of the Methodology for the Comprehensive Plan, Community Participation Team input, the Community Conversations, and the Steering Committee's work that were all part of the development of the Draft 2003 Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. McCleary continued reviewing the Draft 2003 Comprehensive Plan (Draft) with discussions on the following.

i. Population

The Board and Mr. McCleary discussed the demographic changes within the County.

ii. Youth

The new element of the Comprehensive Plan includes a stand-alone section on youth to address transportation, recreation facilities, economic development, child care and health care from the perspective of youth.

iii. Economic Development

The Economic Development trends in the County indicate that the County prospered in the 1990s, and that efforts are being made to develop the County's workforce and promote efficient use of water resources

The Board and Mr. McCleary discussed the citizen input concerning redevelopment issues in areas such as the Lightfoot and the Mooretown Road area; the retention of agricultural and forestal industries and options for farmers and their children; home-occupations by-right and their impact on neighbors; what role the County would play in providing fiber-optic cable service to residents; modification suggestions for language usage within the Draft that are action specific rather than suggestive of action; encouragement of the County to support and utilize locally minority-owned, and small businesses and services; the role of the Williamsburg/Jamestown Airport; workforce training; and the County's Enterprise Zone.

iv. Public Facilities

The public facilities list has been updated to include facilities completed since 1997 and language has been added to promote the effort for new facilities to accommodate joint utilization by County and other agencies.

The Board and Mr. McCleary discussed the County's view of "fair share" in consideration of funding the development of public facilities, meeting or exceeding State standards for public facilities, modification of specific language in the Draft, and pre-school classrooms in the elementary schools.

v. Parks and Recreation

The County continues to seek partnerships to develop facilities to meet community needs.

vi. Environmental

The Draft has been updated to be consistent with Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Department (CBLAD) requirements by addressing issues such as shoreline erosion and water quality, and the Draft encourages and promotes water efficiency and mitigation of adverse environmental impacts.

The Board and Mr. McCleary recommended the inclusion of language for the encouragement of conservation of water, enforcement of the RPA, and use of gray water.

vii. Transportation

The transportation in the County and Greater Williamsburg Area has improved over the past few years through the Williamsburg Area Transport, the County has pursued both a Light Rail and High Speed Rail system, and the development of greenways includes alternative transportation such as bikeways.

The Board and Mr. McCleary discussed service of the Williamsburg Area Transport for the older residents, and sidewalk planning to connect the pathways and ensure maintenance.

c. Public Comment

1. Mr. Dick Jones complimented the work that has gone into the Draft and stated concern regarding the leaking underground storage tanks noted in the Draft, the lack of action items with the Department of Environmental Quality to correct the environmental damage and notify citizens of the

contamination, and requested additional maps in the Land Use section of the Draft to aid in identifying the parcels in question.

Mr. Jones also commented on the lack of information in the Draft regarding Homeland Security.

C. RECESS

At 6:14 p.m., Mr. Harrison and the Board broke for supper until 7 p.m.

Sanford B. Wanner
Clerk to the Board

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