

RESOLUTION

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN REGIONAL COORDINATION

- WHEREAS, the Code of Virginia requires that all jurisdictions prepare and adopt a Comprehensive Plan addressing physical development within their jurisdictional limits for the purpose of guiding and accomplishing coordinated, adjusted, and harmonious development that will, in accordance with present and probable future needs and resources, best promote the health, safety, morals, order, convenience, prosperity, and general welfare of its inhabitants; and
- WHEREAS, the Code also requires that such Plans be reviewed every five years and updated if necessary; and
- WHEREAS, James City County, York County, and the City of Williamsburg have adopted Comprehensive Plans and each has established procedures for compliance with the five-year review requirement; and
- WHEREAS, the Regional Issues Committee (RIC), which is composed of representatives from James City County, York County, and the City of Williamsburg, among others, and serves as a forum for discussion of land use, transportation, infrastructure, and development issues that affect and influence the Greater Williamsburg area, has noted that the five-year Comprehensive Plan review cycles currently occur at different times in each jurisdiction; and
- WHEREAS, in the interest of promoting closer coordination and communication concerning Comprehensive Plan issues that cross jurisdictional boundaries, the RIC has recommended that James City County, York County, and the City of Williamsburg adjust their five-year review cycles so that each can consider its next review and update in 2010 and then every five years thereafter; and
- WHEREAS, to promote inter-jurisdictional discussion of Comprehensive Plan related matters, RIC has recommended that the five-year review cycles include three joint meetings of the respective Planning Commissions, with one of those meetings being a public forum format to allow citizen comments; and
- WHEREAS, as an additional measure to promote full understanding and integration of regional data, RIC has recommended that the three jurisdictions explore opportunities for jointly conducted baseline studies and analyses of such things as demographics, transportation, and the economy; and
- WHEREAS, these recommendations were reviewed and endorsed by the James City County Planning Commission on September 11, 2006.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, that the recommendations of RIC concerning Comprehensive Plan review cycle coordination, as referenced herein and as set forth in the report from RIC, dated August 23, 2006, be supported, endorsed, and approved as a procedural framework that will be followed by James City County for its 2010 Comprehensive Plan review cycle.

Bruce C. Goodson
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Sanford B. Wanner
Clerk to the Board

Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, this 24th day of October, 2006.

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