

APPROVED
MINUTES OF THE ARLINGTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2015

PRESENT: Commissioner Steve Cole
Commissioner Christopher Forinash, Chair
Commissioner Erik Gutshall
Commissioner Brian Harner
Commissioner Nancy Iacomini, Vice-Chair
Commissioner Jane Siegel
Commissioner Steve Sockwell

ABSENT: Commissioner Ginger Brown
Commissioner Rosemary Ciotti

STAFF: Gizele C. Johnson, Planning Commission Clerk
Michelle Stahlhut, Planning Commission Coordinator
Steve Cover, Director, DCPHD
Bob Duffy, Director, PD, DCPHD
Debbie Albert, PD, DCPHD
Arlova Vonhm, PD, DCPHD

The Planning Commission reconvened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

2. Zoning Ordinance amendments to revise short term indoor and outdoor events and activities; and to correct minor errors introduced in the 2013 reformat (lot coverage for R-10T and R-15-30T; minimum lot area per dwelling unit for RA-H), and introduced with the use classification system amendments (dry cleaning and laundry uses).
(ACTION)

Commissioner Gutshall moved that the Planning Commission recommend that the County Board adopt the attached ordinance consistent with the County Manager recommendation in the staff report dated March 20, 2015. Commissioner Cole seconded the motion.

Commissioner Gutshall made a motion to amend the main motion that the Planning Commission recommend that the County Board adopt the short-term use standards for indoor and outdoor events as advertised by the Board. Commissioner Sockwell seconded the motion.

Commissioner Gutshall restated the proposed amendment that the Planning Commission recommend to the County Board that they adopt the short-term use standards contained in Section 12.10.5 Paragraph C Frequency and Length of events as advertised by the County Board last month.

The Planning Commission voted 4-3 to support the amendment with Commissioners Iacomini, Forinash, Gutshall, and Harner in support and Commissioners Siegel, Cole, and Sockwell opposed.

The Planning Commission voted unanimously 7-0 to support the main motion as amended with Commissioners Iacomini, Forinash, Siegel, Cole, Sockwell, Gutshall, and Harner in support.

3. FY 2016 Proposed Zoning Ordinance Priorities (**ACTION**)

Commissioner Gutshall made a motion that the Planning Commission endorse the preliminary 2015-2016 Work Plan Comprehensive Zoning Amendments as detailed in the memo to the Planning Commission dated April 6, 2015 with the additional note that the Planning Commission further recommends that to the extent that resources become available, the penthouse study be included in the work plan. Commissioner Forinash seconded the motion.

The Planning Commission voted 7-0 to unanimously support the motion with Commissioners Siegel, Iacomini, Forinash, Cole, Harner, Gutshall, and Sockwell in support.

3. Site Plan Review Processes (**ACTION**)

Commissioner Forinash made a motion that the Planning Commission adopt the product of the Site Plan Review Working Group dated July 8, 2014 as the recommended changes to the Site Plan Review Process. Commissioner Gutshall seconded the motion.

The Planning Commission voted 7-0 to unanimously support the motion with Commissioners Siegel, Iacomini, Forinash, Cole, Harner, Gutshall, and Sockwell in support.

4. **ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS & OTHER BUSINESS**

A. Staff report on current matters

Bob Duffy, Planning Director, CPHD, proposed inviting Victor Hoskins, Director, Arlington Economic Development (AED), to give a presentation to the Planning Commission. He also proposed inviting Dennis Leach, Deputy Director, DES, to discuss transit development.

The County Board will likely have three meetings in July. Realize Rosslyn, WRAPS, the Affordable Housing Study, and possibly the Courthouse Addendum are all moving forward.

B. Chairman's Report

Chair Forinash reported there is an upcoming joint School Board and County Board work session which includes discussion of possible interim uses of sites for school uses including the Carver Center, space near the bubble at Gunston, the Madison Center, some space at the Reed School, and the Fenwick Building.

The Affordable Housing Study is on track for moving forward in July. Additionally, Commissioner Forinash highlighted the County Board is doing a layman's summary of Board meetings, and after meeting action reports and video summaries of meetings.

C. Committee Reports

1) Site Plan Review Committee

Commissioner Iacomini reported the Carpool site is not moving forward yet. Plaza 6 would move forward in May and there will be a walking tour of 672 Flats on April 16.

2) Long Range Planning Committee

Commissioner Cole reported there are three upcoming LRPC meetings. The Mazda site will be heard on April 20th, the Redtop Cab site is scheduled for April 27, and the Washington Vista special GLUP Study is April 28. Additional upcoming meetings include the Rosslyn Sector Plan update on May 20 and 21, WRAPS on May 26 and 27 (carryover). Additional projects that will require review include the Courthouse addendum, the Retail Action Plan, and the Affordable Housing Study.

3) ZOCO

Commissioner Gutshall reported the Redtop Cab meeting on April 27 is a joint LRPC/ZOCO meeting. A ZOCO meeting will be held on May 12 to review the effectiveness of the civic engagement associated with zoning ordinance review and development process.

4) Others

Commissioner Sockwell reported the PFRC will review the schematic design for Abingdon on April 15. PFRC review of the Stratford school expansion will begin in April, and review of Wilson school will begin in May.

Commissioner Harner reported there will be a Rosslyn Sector Plan draft at the end of April.

D. Liaison Reports

Commissioner Siegel reported the update of the Public Spaces Master Plan from 2005 will be starting soon.

Commissioner Harner reported a draft Rosslyn Sector Plan will be available by April 24.

E. Approval of the March 2, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Forinash moved and Commissioner Gutshall seconded the motion to approve the March 2, 2015 Meeting Minutes. The Commission voted 7-0 to approve the minutes. Commissioners Forinash, Iacomini, Cole, Harner, Gutshall, Siegel, and Sockwell voted aye.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 pm

Christopher Forinash, Chair

Michelle Stahlhut, Coordinator