CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION PRE MEETING TUESDAY, July 22, 2008 -- 4:30 P.M. NDS CONFERENCE ROOM

Planning Commissioners present

Ms Cheri Lewis

Mr. Jason Pearson

Mr. Hosea Mitchell

Mr. Michael Osteen

Mr. Michael Farruggio

Mr. Dan Rosensweig

Staff Present:

Mr. Jim Tolbert, AICP, Director NDS

Ms. Missy Creasy, Planning Manager

Mr. Nick Rogers, Neighborhood Planner

Mr. Brian Haluska, Neighborhood Planner

Ms. Ebony Walden, Neighborhood Planner

Ms. Mary Joy Scala, Preservation Planner

Ms. Francesca Fornari, Assistant City Attorney

The meeting began at 4:30pm.

The meeting began with a review of process concerning the telecommunications request. Discussion then moved to the Whole Foods site. Dan asked about the easement concerns with CRHA. Nick noted that discussions were underway. Hosea remained concerned about the traffic and was hoping that additional information may be available on travel times. Jason noted that it would be nice to have a covered area on site for the farmers market and dedicated pedestrian right of ways.

Discussion moved to questions on the Oakhurst application. Mike F. asked about a sidewalk at the Oakhurst intersection. It was noted that the traffic engineer supports the multiuse trail. Ebony noted that the B&B could be considered as part of the surrounding area impacts for this application but the B&B use was by right and therefore could not be restricted from the site. There was discussion to clarify which way residents in the apartment and those in the B&B would access the site and traffic implications. There was a request to change the definition of a B&B in the near future.

Dan asked about compensation opportunities for folks who are designated historic. Mary Joy noted there was no local program but a suggestion would be to help owners pay for the state and national register nomination which would allow for tax credits. She also explained the process for historic designation.

The meeting ended at 5:20pm.