CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE
PLANNING COMMISSION PRE MEETING
TUESDAY, April 14, 2009 -- 4:30 P.M.
NDS CONFERENCE ROOM

Planning Commissioners present

Mr. Bill Emory

Mr. Dan Rosensweig

Mr. Jason Pearson

Mr. Michael Osteen

Mr. Michael Farruggio

Ms. Cheri Lewis

Staff Present:

Ms. Missy Creasy, Planning Manager

Mr. Brian Haluska, Neighborhood Planner

Mr. Nick Rogers, Neighborhood Planner

Mr. Richard Harris, Deputy City Attorney

The meeting began at 4:35pm.

Melissa Barlow, Ann Whitham and Will Cockrell from the Thomas Jefferson Planning District were in attendance. They were prepared to answer questions at this point so they could leave to attend the County Planning Commission meeting and return later in the evening. Bill requested that additional socioeconomic data be placed into the report. Dan asked for information on why the grade separated interchange at 29 and Hydraulic was not noted in the fiscally constrained list. That information was provided. It was noted that the policy board made the decision to include the Rio/29 interchange at this time. Jason asked why no shuttle or taxi regulations are present for the airport. Melissa indicated that she believed the Airport Authority did not allow a shuttle but she was uncertain. It was confirmed that users of CTS and UTS can transfer to either system. Jason asked for an update on the RTA presentation. Melissa noted that a joint city/county group would be meeting on April 24th to discuss this issue. Jason asked for a change to the map on page 47 to reflect walking and bike commuting more clearly as well as a change on page 52 to add any city benchmarks. It was noted that the language may be made more succinct to avoid repeating the same thing for each locality.

The discussion move to 814 Hinton avenue. Mike F asked if proffers had been discussed with this applicant. Brian provided and update on the status of the application. It was noted that if the applicant makes no changes to the building that they will not need a site plan. This would mean that no screening could be required.

Brian clarified that the 609 East Market Street has requested an SUP for a private club thought advertised as a dance hall. This use would be less intense than a dance hall so we are able to move forward. It was noted that the hours of operation for this use would be a big question. The police requested a 3am closing time. The applicant would like to be open until 5am. Cheri asked if there were residents in the building. Brian noted not in the units adjacent to the club site but there could be some in other parts of the building. Bill felt sound tests should occur if residents were in the building.

Dan asked for staff to follow up on the CIP discussion that occurred at the last meeting. He wanted to make sure the public was aware that City Council had the Commissions recommendation when reviewing the CIP. It was noted that this would be reviewed at the meeting. Cheri noted that she would like outcomes on Commission items once they reach Council. It was felt this would be helpful.

Discussion moved to the parking exempt language. Mike O asked why metering was not being pursued at this time. Jim noted that it was felt that this was not the right economy to do this and to revisit once things picked up. It was noted that it would cost about \$500,000 to install the system and it could be paid for within a year. It was noted that one option proposed would be to pay into a parking garage fund. It would not be a requirement. It was noted that more information on how long funds could be kept with out being spent would be need important to know.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25pm.