

CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE

PLANNING COMMISSION PRE MEETING

TUESDAY, March 13, 2007 -- 5:00 P.M.

BASEMENT CONFERENCE ROOM

Planning Commissioners present

Mr. Jon Fink (Chairman)

Mr. Bill Lucy (Vice-Chairman)

Mr. Michael Farruggio

Ms. Cheri Lewis

Mr. Jason Pearson

Mr. Hosea Mitchell

Mr. Michael Osteen

Staff Present:

Mr. Jim Tolbert, AICP, Director NDS

Mr. Craig Brown, City Attorney

Ms. Missy Creasy, AICP, Planning Manager

Ms. Ashley Cooper, Neighborhood Planner

Ms. Amy Kilroy, Grants Coordinator

Mr. Brian Haluska, AICP, Neighborhood Planner

Ms. Ebony Walden, Neighborhood Planner

The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm.

The meeting began with an overview of the evenings Planning Commission agenda and questions from Planning Commission members. There were many questions concerning the Carlton Road application. Planning Commission was interest in finding out what uses the applicant was interested in that are not allowed in M-1. There was concern about the increase in height that would be allowed through DE zoning. There was less concern about the current situations than what would be allowed in the future. It was noted that reviewing the uses in M-1 to see if others were appropriate (as under the pre 2003 ordinance) would be a one means of attempting to address the applicants concern.

Concerning the application on Druid Avenue, Mr. Fink asked for and received clarification on the trip generation calculations. There was a question concerning the hours of operation that will be clarified with the applicant.

The next item was a review of Affordable housing legislation. Craig Brown noted that there two items passed that may assist with affordable housing measures in the City. It is now possible to have affordable housing regulation options for developments with less than 50 dwelling units and buildings that are taller than 3 stories. The one item that did not move forward was a provision for cash in lieu of units. There was concern with the homebuilders with this provision. Mr. Brown noted that a group was tasked with reviewing this issue and it could come forward in the future. There was interest from Planning Commission to continue to pursue this issue.

There was a brief update on the status of the Comprehensive plan review including notice and materials for the March 27th Work Session. Planning Commissioner's decided to send any topics to Ms. Creasy by March 20th to be compiled for the entire group.

Discussion began on Planning Commission policy but further time and information was needed so the item will be scheduled for April.

The meeting ended at 6:20pm.