

RICHLAND COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

May 4, 2009

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5 *[Members Present: Julius Murray, Pat Palmer, Deas Manning, Wes Furgess; Absent:*
6 *Heather Cairns, Enga Ward, Christopher Anderson, Steve Gilchrist, Elizabeth Mattos-*
7 *Ward]*

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9 VICE-CHAIRMAN PALMER: We do not have a quorum. So we are going to
10 have to move all the items from this month's Agenda to next month. Because our, our
11 rules state that we have to have five Members and we only have four that have shown
12 up as of yet. I mean, we're 10 minutes after.

13 MR. MURRAY: What's the attorney say about that?

14 VICE-CHAIRMAN PALMER: Amelia, what do you say?

15 MS. LINDER: Would you consider having a special called meeting? Maybe,
16 perhaps next week? Or, alternative calling, maybe there's a call in to other, to see if
17 anybody's on their way?

18 MR. MANNING: How would we schedule a special called meeting? I mean,
19 don't we have to have a quorum to vote on that?

20 MS. ALMEIDA: Ms. Haynes went downstairs to see if there were any messages
21 on her machine.

22 MR. FURGESS: Okay. Want to wait five more minutes, Pat?

23 VICE-CHAIRMAN PALMER: Yeah.

24 MS. LINDER: If those two options are not available then I think you're correct,
25 we'll have to, have to just carry everything over to next month.

26 VICE-CHAIRMAN PALMER: Folks, we'll give them five more minutes, but I
27 mean, I'm – we'll see what happens.

1 MS. ALMEIDA: She'll be right up.

2 VICE-CHAIRMAN PALMER: We'll do that of our own fruition, right? If you're
3 here for the comp plan, what we're gonna do is we're gonna schedule a work session
4 within the next two to three weeks on the comp plan, so we'll have a formal public input
5 session with anybody who'd like to have comment on the comp plan, and we will have
6 time for anybody in the community to speak to it now that we have a document that it
7 seems like is, is somewhat finalized in draft form. So any comments to the comp plan
8 that we had for today, we were gonna move over to a work session, so if you're here on
9 that item – and then we'll, we will vote on it at our next meeting which will be in May
10 [sic].

11 MS. ALMEIDA: June.

12 VICE-CHAIRMAN PALMER: Which will be in June, so if you're for that issue
13 you're free to say, but we are gonna postpone that to a work session.

14 MS. LINDER: And just maybe a, a slight clarification, it is on County Council's
15 Agenda for third reading tomorrow and should Council give it third reading, then this
16 would be a work session to discuss amendments to the Comprehensive Plan.

17 VICE-CHAIRMAN PALMER: Okay. And I guess they would have sitting in front
18 of them a comp plan that has no recommendation from the Planning Commission?

19 MS. ALMEIDA: Correct.

20 MS. LINDER: They have the comp plan that you sent forward to them. There
21 was only one change that was incorporated, which was a land map amendment, land
22 use map.

23 MS. WILKIE: It's just a change to the land use map based on public comments.

1 MS. LINDER: And that was the only change that County Council accepted. So
2 otherwise it's the same document that you forwarded to the County Council.

3 VICE-CHAIRMAN PALMER: But I guess technically there will be a document in
4 front of the Council that, that will formally say no, no recommendation from the Planning
5 Commission.

6 MS. LINDER: It will say that this is the document that the Planning Commission
7 recommended approval on, it was not a unanimous vote, but the Planning Commission
8 did approve the comp plan and then we'll just notify the Council that they were, that you
9 were not able to make a recommendation on that latest land use map change.

10 VICE-CHAIRMAN PALMER: But we were, we were informed that what we were
11 voting on was simply a draft form and that it would come back to us for one more final
12 vote prior to going to Council with our recommendation.

13 MS. LINDER: I believe the draft vote was in February.

14 MR. MANNING: Right.

15 MS. LINDER: And then at the last Planning Commission meeting you took
16 formal action and you signed the Resolution, which was forwarded on to Council.

17 MR. MANNING: But, but reserved the right to make amendments –

18 MS. LINDER: Yes.

19 MR. MANNING: - if we needed to, based on comments and so on and so forth.

20 MS. LINDER: Certainly. And the comp plan can be amended at any time.

21 MR. MANNING: Well, rather than amendment it, I think it would be better to
22 adopt it rather than going back through the amendment process. And I think it would be

1 helpful to, if, you know, obviously we don't have a quorum here today, we can't take it
2 up.

3 VICE-CHAIRMAN PALMER: We can't vote on it anyhow.

4 MR. MANNING: That it –

5 MS. ALMEIDA: Correct.

6 MR. MANNING: - you know, get relayed back to Council that we're gonna
7 schedule a work session, hear comments, make any amendments that we might, we'll
8 adopt it, then it's –

9 MS. ALMEIDA: Would you like to hear any of the –

10 MR. MANNING: - at the June –

11 MS. ALMEIDA: - map modifications? You don't have to vote on it, but – no?

12 VICE-CHAIRMAN PALMER: Anybody that would vote on it would [inaudible].

13 MS. ALMEIDA: Okay. When would you like to schedule a work session?

14 VICE-CHAIRMAN PALMER: We'll shoot out an email. Folks, I'm sorry but we
15 just don't have a quorum. I'm sorry.

16 MS. ALMEIDA: So you adjourn?

17 VICE-CHAIRMAN PALMER: Yeah, we'll just adjourn.

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[Meeting Adjourned at 1:16 p.m.]