

MINUTES
JAMES CITY COUNTY POLICY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
BUILDING A LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM
101 MOUNTS BAY ROAD, WILLIAMSBURG, VA 23185
July 11, 2024
3:00 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Jack Haldeman called the meeting to order at 3 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present:

Jack Haldeman, Chair

Frank Polster

Jay Everson

Kira Allmann

Staff Present:

Christy Parrish, Zoning Administrator

Josh Crump, Principal Planner

Thomas Wysong, Principal Planner

Morgan Risinger, Senior Planner

C. MINUTES

1. Minutes of the February 22, 2024, Regular Meeting

Mr. Everson stated that he would abstain from voting on the Minutes as he was not present for that meeting.

Dr. Allmann stated that she would also abstain from voting.

Mr. Polster made a motion to approve the Minutes.

On a voice vote, the Committee approved the Minutes of the February 22, 2024, Regular Meeting. (2-2-0)

D. OLD BUSINESS

1. ORD-22-0001. Amendments for Scenic Roadway Protection

Ms. Morgan Risinger, Senior Planner, made a presentation to the Committee on the Board of Supervisors' directive to create an Overlay District to protect and preserve scenic roadways.

Ms. Risinger noted that parcels included in the Overlay District would be those over 40 acres and outside the Primary Service Area, with frontage on Forge Road, Diascund Road, and North Riverside Drive. Ms. Risinger further noted that the Ordinance provides for tiered setbacks of

up to 400 feet for structures to be applied to unimproved parcels that would be rezoned to the Overlay District. This tiered approach specifies that lots with a depth greater than 300 feet and up to and including 500 feet to have a setback requirement of 200 feet, and lots with a depth greater than 500 feet to have the 400-foot setback. Lots with a depth of 300 feet or less and flag lots would continue to have setbacks determined by the underlying zoning district.

After studying the maps and discussing the draft Ordinance, the Committee decided that the limited benefit provided by the Ordinance was not worth the significant negative impact to the selected property holders, and the Committee, therefore, voted unanimously to recommend that the full Planning Commission recommend denial of the Ordinance to the Board of Supervisors.

The enhanced buffering for four Wooded Community Character Corridors, as unanimously recommended by the Policy Committee at its November 10, 2022, meeting, would be advanced to the Planning Commission for its consideration.

E. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Polster made a motion to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:26 p.m.

Susan Istenes, Secretary

Jack Haldeman, Chair