

**PLANNING and ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES
MAY 27, 2008**

The Planning and Administration Committee met on Tuesday, May 27, 2008 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 3:15 p.m. Mr. Jeffcoat, Committee Chairman presided.

Members Attending:

Johnny W. Jeffcoat, Chairman	George H. Smokey Davis, V Chairman
Debra B. Debbie Summers	John W. Carrigg, Jr.
William B. Banning, Sr.	William C. Billy Derrick

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Joe Mergo, Deputy County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Assistant County Administrator; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, and posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

Ordinance 08-03 - Landscape Ordinance Amendments (Goal 2) - Planning & GIS - Charlie Compton, Director – Mr. Compton presented the proposed amendments for the County’s Landscape Ordinance from the Lexington County Planning Commission. The amendment also includes recommendations from the Public Works Stakeholders Committee. He said that the proposed amendments would change the title to Landscape and **Open Space** Ordinance. The Planning Commission has recommended expanding the Ordinance countywide because they felt the rules should apply throughout the County. Mr. Compton reported on the proposed major changes in the sections listed:

- Page 7 – Timber Harvesting – Mr. Compton indicated that the name may change to Clear Cutting instead of Timber Harvesting to more accurately fit this section.
- Page 19 – Open Space Requirements – This section includes New Golf Course restrictions for the abandonment of golf courses.
- Page 15 – Scenic Corridor Protection – Mr. Compton provided a chart for Landscape and Open Space Criteria listing three categories for scenic corridors. This section also references sections of the Zoning Ordinance that may need further study for possible changes.
- Page 31 – Appendix – This section contains a draft list of Scenic Corridor recommendations which will be maintained in the Appendix of the Ordinance.

Staff requested guidance in moving into other districts or beyond where they are now if they are going to expand the boundaries and if they should proceed in the southern and western regions of the County. Mr. Derrick requested to delay expanding until after he has met with his Planning Commissioner for this area. Mr. Compton was asked about implementing the golf-course part of the ordinance now and responded that it is considered a pending ordinance. The public hearing will not be scheduled until Council has had an opportunity to study all of the proposed changes

more closely. For discussion only, no action taken.

Zoning Map Amendment M08-03 - Change in Road Classification for Old Chapin Road from Lexington Town Limits 260' North Towards Maxie Road and Maxie Road from the Intersection of Old Chapin Road 1000' North Towards Ashley Hills Drive - 2nd Reading –

A motion was made by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Derrick to recommend that full Council deny approval of Zoning Map Amendment M08-03.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Old Business/New Business - Land Use Growth – None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee
Assistant to the Clerk

Johnny W. Jeffcoat
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk