

FREDERICK COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION  
Minutes of Meeting for  
January 18, 2023  
*In Person/Virtual Meeting*

See video for further meeting details: <http://frederickcountymd.gov/5956/Video-Archives>

Members Present: Craig Hicks, Chair; Joel Rensberger, Vice-Chair; Tim Davis, Secretary; Sam Tressler III, Carole Sepe; Robert White, Jr.; Masai Troutman.

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Kimberly Gaines, Livable Frederick Director; Kathy Mitchell, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Denis Superczynski, Livable Frederick Planning Manager; John Dimitriou, Livable Frederick Design Planner; Karin Flom, Livable Frederick Principal Planner; Justin Burkner, Livable Frederick Planner I; Jen Specht, Communications Manager; and Karen James, Administrative Specialist.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Mr. Hicks
2. **ROLL CALL** - Mr. Hicks
3. **PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS**

Mr. Hicks explained the evening's format. Staff will present an overview of the proposed Sugarloaf Rural Heritage Overlay District. Following the presentation, the meeting will adjourn and there will be small group discussions. Mr. Hicks then emphasized that the evening's discussion will be focused on the Overlay District. The rest of the Plan has already been amended and adopted by the County Council. The Overlay portion was sent back to the Planning Commission for further deliberation and recommendation.

4. **SUGARLOAF RURAL HERITAGE OVERLAY DISTRICT**

**WORKSHOP**

*Kimberly Gaines, Director, Livable Frederick*  
*Denis Superczynski, Livable Frederick Planning Manager*

Staff gave a brief presentation including the Sugarloaf Plan Timeline, detailing open houses, workshops, meetings, and public hearings. The purpose and intent of the Sugarloaf Rural Heritage Overlay District is to minimize or eliminate adverse impacts to water quality, forest resources, wildlife habitats, and scenic and rural landscape elements.

Following the presentation, staff responded to questions. Members and guests were reminded of the small group discussions being held following the meeting, with all welcome to attend.

Mr. Hicks declared the meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at 6:57 p.m.

  
Craig Hicks, Chair

3/8/23  
Date

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