

FREDERICK COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
Minutes of Meeting for
April 19, 2017

Members Present: Bill Hopwood, Chair; Anthony Bruscia, Vice-Chair; William Hall; Sharon Suarez; Sam Tressler

Members Absent: Bob White, Carole Sepe

Staff Present: Steve Horn, Division Director; Mike Paone, Contractual Principal Planner; Dial Keju; John Dimitriou, Principal Planner; Denis Superczynski, Principal Planner; Tim Goodfellow, Principal Planner; Dial Keju, Transportation Planner

Public Attending: Kai Hagen, Kathleen Ross, Maryellen Mitchell

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 am

1. PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS

Ms. Suarez inquired about a public comment letter the Commission received unrelated to Livable Frederick. Mr. Horn suggested discussing it the next regular Planning Commission meeting.

Ms. Suarez made a motion to hold the discussion until all members are present. Mr. Tressler 2nd.

Vote: 5-0-0-2

For: 5 – Suarez, Tressler, Hall, Hopwood, Bruscia

Absent: 2 – White, Sepe

2. AGENCY COMMENTS / AGENDA BRIEFING

To move forward with making a recommendation, Mr. Horn suggested that the Commission focus on major components of the Plan, and not overburden itself on verbiage, formatting, etc. during the workshops, so that major concepts can be prepared and ready for public inspection. Mr. Hopwood noted that language should be written for the average person to comprehend. Instead of workshops spending too much time on reviewing verbiage, suggestions could be “red-lined” and communicated via email.

3. LIVABLE FREDERICK WORK SESSION

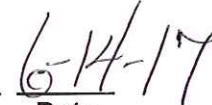
The work session opened defining the structure of the plan; is it readable, workable and approachable for the public?

Discussion included:

- Housing diversity – affordability, special needs housing, senior housing, homelessness, transportation needs within the housing community
- Housing design – building costs, universal design, ADA requirements, accessibility design
- Housing economy
- Tradition – expression, preservation, maintaining Frederick County distinction in its history, identity which is critical to its economy, through tourism

Economy, Environment and Energy will be discussed at the next work session, with a tentative date of April 25th at 30 N. Market.

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 pm
Respectfully Submitted,


Bill Hopwood, Chair 
Date