Pantops Community Advisory Committee/Community Town Hall and Open House Meeting

Meeting Minutes March 25, 2024, 6:45 pm to 8:45 pm Martha Jefferson Hospital Outpatient Center - Kessler Conference Room 595 Martha Jefferson Drive Charlottesville, Virginia 22911

CAC Members Present:

CAC Members Absent:

<u>Liaisons Present:</u> Supervisor Bea LaPisto-Kirtley, Supervisor Mike Pruitt, and Planning Commissioner Fred Missel

Liaisons Absent: Planning Commissioner Karen Firehock

Albemarle County Staff Present: Jessica Hersh-Ballering, Tim Padalino, Bob Crickenberger, Kevin McDermott, Randy Jamerson, Jason Marden, Trevor Henry, Ryan Davidson, Kevin Miller, Matt Powers, Aki Parker and Abbey Stumpf.

Open House/Project Showcase

CAC members and community members viewed poster boards and met with County staff about projects.

Call to Order

Chair called the meeting to order.

Town Hall

Supervisors Bea LaPisto-Kirtley and Mike Pruitt welcomed the committee members and community members to the meeting and introduced Albemarle County Staff Present.

Deputy County Executive Trevor Henry presented on the Fiscal Year 25 Budget.

Assistant Chief of Police Major Randy Jamerson presented on traffic and safety.

Deputy Director of Planning Kevin McDermott presented on transportation projects in the area.

Question and Answer Session

- Question related to Auto & Property tax and if these taxes didn't exist, how would that affect the overall budget?
- In the past, the County transferred money from the City and the community member wanted to know if that practice is still in place, if so how does it work?
 - o A: Yes it is still in place.
- Will MicroCAT expand into the city?
- What is the County doing to support development areas related to affordable housing?

- Question related to pedestrian crossings at intersections: (Will there be light up signals added in to specific areas with crossing that will be added?)
- Who's responsible for checking on safety of Free Bridge and what will the County do to build future pedestrian bridges?
- Question related to crosswalk across 250: (Will there be any changes at the State Farm crosswalk timing there to allow for more time to cross...it's currently a very short time allotted...asked for at least a 5 second increase if possible.)
- Question related to increasing lighting in darker parking areas and adding streetlights around more dangerous/harder to see darker areas to help increase driving safety in area around 250.
- Are there plans to add more EV fast chargers in the County?
- When is the deadline for tax-elderly relief submissions?