

Pantops Community Advisory Committee
Kessler Conference Room, Sentara, Martha Jefferson
Outpatient Center, 595 Martha Jefferson Drive
Meeting Minutes March 25, 2019 -- 6:15 p.m.

1. A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order by Calvin Morris, Chair, at 6:15pm. In attendance were: Olivia Branch, Dick Hiss, Catherine Hughes, Rita Krenz, L.J. Lopez, Stephanie Lowenhaupt, Calvin Morris, Rob Neal, Laurel Olson, Sara Robinson, and Lauri Wilson.
2. A vote on approval of the February minutes was deferred to the April 22, 2019 meeting.
3. Report from Board of Supervisor Norman Dill – Mr. Dill was unable to attend.
4. Report from Planning Commissioner Daphne Spain –
Several projects recently received approval from the Planning Commission:
EcoVillage Charlottesville approved
Waldrof School expansion approved
Dogtopia approved
5. New Business:
Cameron Langille, Senior County Planner, shared a recap of Board of Supervisor's work session on PCAC's Master Plan. During the work session staff presented a draft of the Master Plan to the Board and received support from all Supervisors. As part of the implementation process, staff will send PCAC a draft of the plan and offer several open meeting sessions to garner input. The Board also showed support for the transportation projects outlined in the Master Plan. Mr. Morris voiced concern over the Board looking into securing a pedestrian and bike crossing study when three previous studies have included this scope of work. Mr. Morris also noted that the recommendations from these previous studies were ignored.

Mr. Langille is optimistic that the Rivanna River Corridor project will bring the City and County together and allow for some much needed collaborative conversations. He also noted that Elaine Echols has been hired on a consulting basis to manage Phase II of this project.

PCAC congratulated staff on their work to develop the Albemarle County Development Dashboards. All agreed that residents, developers and realtors would benefit from the information so easily accessible. Updates to the information will occur twice a year with the ultimate goal of integrating with the GIS data.

Mr. Langille requested PCAC confirm receipt of meeting materials to ensure the email distribution list was up to date. Ms. Hughes noted that she has not been receiving information.

There will be a public hearing held for the Master Plan on May 7, 2019.

The April 22 PCAC meeting will be dedicated toward discussing edits to the Master Plan.

6. Old Business: Ms. Branch gave a presentation on the economic impact of the wedding industry and adequate supply of commercial lodging. The source of the stats shared

were primarily from the local tourism visitor bureau, fall 2018. Ms. Branch stated that there is concern from the wedding and wine/brewery tourist industries that there is a shortage of commercial lodging available during the peak season for these industries and the County risks losing a significant economic stream if these groups seek lodging outside of the area. Ms. Kranz shared some additional data from another source that reflected annualized occupancy rates.

PCAC members shared their openness to healthy commercial growth but emphasized that the supporting infrastructure should come first. A question arose from the committee of how VDOT rates the 250-entry corridor in their recent traffic study.

7. Additional Business: Ms. Sally Hudson introduces herself as a candidate for the 57th Delegate Seat.

8. As there was no further, business the meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting will take place on April 22, 2019 at the Sentara Martha Jefferson Out Patient Center in the Kessler Conference Room.

Placed before the Committee for approval on 4/22/2019 by Lauri Wilson.