

**Planning Commission  
Minutes  
March 28, 2017**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Winfred Pieterse, Gerald Williams, Bernard Jones, Paul Smith, Brittany Johnson, & Chris Moore

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Joan Schmid

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Matt Millwood, Rick Martin, Elise Crosby, & Debra Grant

- I. **Call to Order**
- II. **Minutes:** The minutes for February 28, 2017; **Mr. Chris Moore made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Ms. Brittany Johnson; the motion carried unanimously.**
- III. **Public Hearing: None**
- IV. **Consideration:**
  1. **Review and approve a Resolution for Text Amendments to the 2011 Comprehensive Plan (Economic Development, Housing, Transportation Elements, & Plan Implementation section) and the 2016 Land Use Element.**

**Matt Millwood/City Staff** told the Board that the amendments are before them for a recommendation, and that the amendments were done to make the Comp. Plan compatible with the new proposed zoning district (REDD district), that the Board has received copies of and will be discussing at the next meeting. The sections that have been amended were the Economic Development, Housing, Transportation Elements, & Plan Implementation Section, all changes have been highlighted in red, thanks to the WRCOG. Matt asked for any questions or edits from the Board.

**Mr. Chris Moore** said he did have an addition that he wanted to bring up, concerning the Housing Element, page 108. He said he wanted to know how to best address a goal on getting funds for housing revitalization and improvements to the corridors. **Matt/City Staff** said he felt like this would be something that can go in as a goal before the adoption of the elements. **Rick Martin/City Staff** said the Bailey Bill will also be something that will help with the concerns Mr. Moore has.

**Motion: Mr. Chris Moore made a motion to approve the resolution for text amendments to the 2011 Comprehensive Plan as written, seconded by Ms. Brittany Johnson; the motion carried 6 to 0 by a roll call vote.**

- V. **Board Discussion**
  - A. **Discuss an upcoming zoning district called the Redevelopment District (REDD), proposed for the Steel Mill area redevelopment site.** *Matt/City Staff said this is the property being looked at for rezoning and it will be on the agenda next month. Matt also said WRCOG and an attorney out of Charleston are helping with this project. Mr. Pieterse asked if someone can talk to WRCOG if they have questions. Elise Crosby/City Attorney said yes they can gather information, but said the information should be brought back to the Board as a whole.*

- B. Updates from staff on the West End Redevelopment Sub-Committee meeting that was held on Monday, March 20, 2017 at 6 pm.** *Matt said he did not attend and did not receive any minutes from the City's Director of Economic Development. Mr. Williams said the meeting was well attended. Mr. Pieterse said they discussed financing, heirs property, how to proceed with future meetings, funding, and zoning. There will be meetings held monthly.*
- C. Updates from staff to the 2016-2017 Comprehensive Plan.** *Matt said the next elements to be reviewed are the Culture Resource and Houses.*

**VI. Executive Session**

- A. Motion to adjourn the regular March meeting of Planning Commission and enter Executive Session pursuant to SC Code Sections 30-4-70 (a) (2) and (5) to discuss and receive legal advice on matters related to zoning, covered by attorney-client privilege, concerning agenda item IV, 1.**
- B. Motion to adjourn Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting of Planning Commission.**
- C. No formal action was taken in Executive Session.** *(Mr. Pieterse went back to the motion made for the resolution for text amendments to the 2011 Comprehensive Plan to have it restated).*

**VII. Adjournment:** With there being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

*Submitted By,*

*Debra Grant  
Board Secretary*