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TOWN OF LEXINGTON PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING APRIL 18, 2012

The Planning Commission met in the Town Hall at 8:00 a.m. with the following members present: Chairman Keith Frost, Vice-Chairman Frank Berry, Brian Amick, John Bartlett, Jamie Fite, Roscoe Caughman, Edwin Gerace, Lisa Gibson and Sammy Hendrix.

Others in attendance were Council Liaison Kathy Maness, Town Administrator Britt Poole, Town Attorney Brad Cunningham, Director of Planning, Building & Technology John Hanson, Director of Parks, Streets & Sanitation Dan Walker, Chief Building Inspector Charly Thomas, Assistant Municipal Clerk Beverly Moore, and Network Administrator Darrell Pritchard. No citizens were in attendance. No one was present from the news media.

CALL TO ORDER & INVOCATION: Chairman Keith Frost called the meeting to order, led in the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the invocation.

MINUTES: Vice-Chairman Berry made a motion to approve the February 22, 2012 Planning Commission minutes and was seconded by Commissioner Gerace. The minutes were unanimously approved as submitted.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Zoning & Road Classification for Annexation of 5140 Sunset Boulevard:** Mr. Bill Cogdill owns a 1.16 acre lot located next to Palmetto Plaza at 5140 Sunset Boulevard and has petitioned for annexation. The property is currently undeveloped but, Mr. Cogdill has indicated he intends to expand the Palmetto Plaza shopping center onto the property.

Due to the surrounding conditions and the intended use of the property, the requested zoning for the parcel is General Commercial (GC) and the recommended classification for Sunset Boulevard is Arterial. It should also be noted that the property will be included in the Town's Preservation Corridor and Commercial Corridor special overlay districts once annexation is completed.

Chairman Frost expressed concerns about additional curb cuts and encouraged the use of existing curb cuts and traffic light. Commissioner Gibson made a motion recommending Council approval to annex 5140 Sunset Boulevard with zoning as General Commercial and classification of Sunset Boulevard as Arterial. Vice-Chairman Berry seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

2. **Zoning & Road Classification for Annexation of 133 Pilgrim Point Drive:** Daniel E. and Patty K. Shoultz own a property located at 133 Pilgrim Point Drive, and are petitioning for annexation of the property. The property is residential as are surrounding properties. Properties in the Town limits located in this area are Protected Residential (PR) and Pilgrim Point Drive is classified as a Residential Local Six (RL6) road.

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Due to the surrounding conditions and the use of the property the requested zoning for this parcel is Protected Residential (PR). The recommended road classification for this portion of Pilgrim Pointe Drive is a Residential Local Six (RL6) road.

Commissioner Gerace made a motion recommending Council approval to annex 133 Pilgrim Point Drive with a zoning of Protected Residential and Pilgrim Point Drive classified Residential Local Six. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gibson and was unanimously carried.

OTHER BUSINESS: INFORMATION ONLY

Chairman Frost stated that the Town of Lexington Vision Plan would be introduced at the May 7th Council meeting for Council approval. He urged Planning Commission members to look at the plan as it was integral to the future growth of the Town.

Vice-Chairman Berry confirmed that Phase 1 of the Town's Traffic Plan would begin in July or August and has a two year time frame. He said that Mayor Halfacre, Mayor Pro-Tem Livingston and Town Administrator Poole had gone to Georgia to view a traffic signalization system. The computerized system synchronizes traffic lights to change. The Town would see no less than 30% decrease in traffic due to the improved flow. The Town Administrator stated that the system was more efficient than road widening. Vice-Chairman Berry also said that the Town's Road Beautification project was in progress.

Council Liaison Kathy Maness reminded everyone of the upcoming Wine Walk to be held on May 12th with proceeds benefitting the Road Beautification project. The Police Department will dedicate a monument honoring law enforcement officers who have sacrificed their lives in the line of duty on May 17th at the Lexington County Courthouse.

The Director of Parks, Streets & Sanitation informed everyone the Farmers Market would soon begin.

Commissioner Gibson spoke of the upcoming golf tournament with USC coaches.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Planning Commission, Commissioner Gibson made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Commissioner Gerace. The motion was unanimously carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:17 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Beverly Moore
Assistant Town Clerk

APPROVED:

Keith Frost
Chairman