

**MINUTES**  
*Town of Lexington*

**PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

March 20, 2013

The Town of Lexington's Planning Commission held a meeting on March 20, 2013 at 8:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers at Town Hall, 111 Maiden Lane, Lexington, South Carolina. The meeting was attended by: Chairman Keith Frost, Vice-Chairman Frank Berry and Commissioners Brian Amick, John Bartlett, Roscoe Caughman, Jamie Fite, Edwin Gerace, and Lisa Gibson. Commissioner Sammy Hendrix was absent (excused).

Others in attendance were: Council Liaison Kathy Maness, Town Administrator Britt Poole, Municipal Attorney Brad Cunningham, Director of Planning, Building and Technology John Hanson, Director of Parks, Streets and Sanitation Dan Walker, Engineer Rosemarie Nuzzo, Network Administrator Darrell Pritchard and Assistant Municipal Clerk Karen Hanner.

No citizens or members of the news media were present.

**INVOCATION AND CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Frost introduced himself and welcomed everyone to the Planning Commission meeting. He announced that the meeting was being broadcast live on the Town's Time Warner Channel 2 and would be replayed several times during the week. Commission members and Staff then introduced themselves. Vice-Chairman Berry gave the invocation. Chairman Frost led in the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Berry and seconded by Commissioner Gerace to approve the Planning Commission Minutes from January 23, 2013 as submitted. The vote on the motion to approve the Minutes was unanimous in favor.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:**

- 1. Annexation of 108 Hope Ferry Road, Lexington County Tax Map # 4496-01-009**  
*Recommendation on zoning and road classification*

Director of Planning, Building and Technology John Hanson presented the request from MWK Properties, LLC. The owner of the property located near the corner of Hope Ferry Road and Sunset Boulevard has petitioned for annexation. The property is currently undeveloped. Director Hanson stated that the structures that were once located on the property have been removed. Properties in Town near this property are zoned General Commercial (GC) and Hope Ferry Road is classified as a Collector Road.

Due to the surrounding conditions and the potential use of the property, the requested zoning for the parcel is General Commercial (GC). The recommended road classification for Hope Ferry Road is a Collector.

Chairman Frost asked if the adjoining property was residential and if they were notified about the annexation. Director Hanson responded that the adjoining property was not in the Town and they had not been contacted. He added there will be a public hearing at the Council Meeting to approve the annexation.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gibson to recommend Council approval to annex 108 Hope Ferry Road with zoning for the parcel as General Commercial (GC) and the recommended road classification for Hope Ferry Road as a Collector. Commissioner Gerace seconded the motion. There was no additional discussion. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Chairman Frost commented regarding the provided draft of the first two chapters of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan update. He reported a plan to review several other chapters in order to prepare for a Tuesday evening Work Session in April for updating the Comprehensive Plan for 2013.

Chair Frost requested a traffic update. Commissioner Berry reported the Traffic Improvement Phase I project is making progress and is 19% complete.

### **COMMENTS**

**Councilmember Maness** reported that Lexington is listed as 5<sup>th</sup> of the Best Small Cities by In Search of Eden. She reminded everyone about the Easter Egg Hunt being held on Friday night, March 22 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. The public meeting for comments on Project Icehouse will be held on April 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and April 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m., 12:00 noon and 6:00 p.m. Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup> will be a Town Holiday. She wished everyone a happy Easter.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further comments or questions, a motion was made by Commissioner Gibson and seconded by Commissioner Gerace to adjourn Planning Commission meeting. The vote on the motion was unanimous in favor by all those present.

The Planning Commission Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 a.m.

Chairman Frost thanked everyone for attending the Planning Commission meeting and stated that it would be replayed on the Town's Channel 2 several times during the week.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Hanner  
Assistant Municipal Clerk

APPROVED:

Keith Frost  
Chairman

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