

Planning Commission



Minutes of the Thursday, January 21, 2021 Study Session

Members of the Planning Commission

Briton Williams

Chair

Leonard Carter, Jr.

Timothy V. Key

Larry Watts

Bob Clark

JoAnn McKie

Dr. Christine Crawford

1. **Call to Order** – The study session was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Williams, Commissioners JoAnn McKie, Larry Watts, Len Carter, and Bob Clark were present along with Libby Hodges, Director of Planning and Development.

2. **Update on NADC Rewrite**: summary of survey and initial feedback, next steps

Mrs. Hodges stated the community surveys closed January 10th and a follow-up survey about small business closes on January 31st. Code Audit recommendations are expected in the coming weeks and will be presented to the Planning Commission. There was some brief discussion about the external survey results.

3. **Martintown Road Corridor**: summary of study results and recommendations, next steps

Mrs. Hodges reviewed a list of traffic improvement projects recommended by the consultants. She provided clarification on the location of the Hamrick Farms PD and addressed questions from the Commissioners about the details of specific project recommendations. The Planning Commission is tasked with ranking the priority of projects and making recommendations for funding to City Council. City Council will adopt a plan that will then be forwarded to SCDOT and regional transportation groups.

4. **Annual Report and Comprehensive Plan Update**

Mrs. Hodges stated that the report has a list of statistics and projects from the previous year that includes information about some internal projects the Planning Commission

may not be directly involved in. The report includes the 2021 revised departmental fee schedule. The Planning Department is also working with the Augusta University MPA program on an annexation research project.

5. Electronic Packet Distribution

The Planning Department purchased Surface tablets for the Planning Commissioners. Planning Commission agendas and packets will be distributed electronically in the coming months in an effort to conserve resources and staff time.

6. Adjourn

With no objection, Chairman Williams adjourned the meeting at approximately 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "L. Hodges".

Libby Hodges, AICP, Director
Department of Planning and Development
Secretary to the Planning Commission