

**ACTION ITEM
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

DATE: August 18, 2009

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Jeffrey A. Harvey
Director of Planning and Zoning
ISSUE: Discussion of the Draft Comprehensive Plan

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: N/A

BUDGET IMPACT: N/A

ATTACHMENTS: (2)

- [1] Background Report [2] Reso/Ord/Proc # R09-314
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REVIEW: [X] County Administrator's Office *John D. Romanello*
[X] Legal *Joseph A. Howard Jr.*

- [] **Consent Agenda** [] **Other Business** [] **Public Hearing**
- [] **Discussion Item** [] **Presentation** [X] **Unfinished Business**
- [] **New Business**

PRESENTATION BY: Department of Planning and Zoning

ELECTION DISTRICT: N/A

BACKGROUND REPORT

On May 19, 2009, the Board authorized a joint public hearing with the Planning Commission for July 7, 2009 to consider the latest revised amendments to the Comprehensive Plan. Subsequently, the public hearing was canceled. On July 7th, the Board discussed potential ways to move forward with conducting public hearings on the Comprehensive Plan. The Board considered several alternatives. The Board decided to continue pursuit of a future joint public hearing with the Planning Commission.

Proposed Resolution R09-314 would initiate a joint public hearing and direct the Planning Commission to participate in the meeting and to provide a recommendation to the Board at the joint public hearing. The date of the public hearing would be set for October 7, 2009.

PROPOSED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF STAFFORD
STAFFORD, VIRGINIA

RESOLUTION

At a regular meeting of the Stafford County Board of Supervisors (the Board) held in the Board Chambers, Stafford County Administration Center, Stafford, Virginia, on the 18th day of August, 2009:

MEMBERS:

George H. Schwartz, Chairman
Harry E. Crisp II, Vice Chairman
M. S. "Joe" Brito
Mark Dudenhefer
Paul V. Milde III
Cord A. Sterling
Robert "Bob" Woodson

VOTE:

On motion of , seconded by , which carried by a vote of , the following was adopted:

A RESOLUTION TO INITIATE A JOINT PUBLIC HEARING WITH THE PLANNING COMMISSION ON OCTOBER 7, 2009 FOR CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15.2-2229 OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA (1950), AS AMENDED. THE AMENDMENTS WOULD ADOPT NEW PLAN TEXT ENTITLED "STAFFORD COUNTY, VIRGINIA, COMPREHENSIVE PLAN 2009-2028." AND A NEW LAND USE PLAN MAP DATED MAY 19, 2009, AND WOULD REPEAL THE CURRENT LAND USE PLAN TEXT COMPONENT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, AS AMENDED, AND THE CURRENT LAND USE PLAN MAP COMPONENT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, the Board, in accordance with Section 15.2-2229 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, desires to amend the current Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has prepared and recommended a Comprehensive Plan revision for consideration by the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the Planning Commission's recommended Comprehensive Plan revision and, following such review, has made amendments to the Planning Commission's recommended Comprehensive Plan revision; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to direct the Planning Commission to submit the proposed Comprehensive Plan, as amended by the Board, to public hearing within sixty days of the date of the approval of this resolution in accordance with Section 15.2-2229 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to schedule a joint public hearing with the Planning Commission to consider the proposed Comprehensive Plan, as amended by the Board, as authorized by Section 15.2-2204 of the Code of Virginia (1950) as amended;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Stafford County Board of Supervisors on this the 18th day of August, 2009, that the Board does hereby initiate a joint public hearing with the Planning Commission to be held on October 7, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Chambers to consider the proposed Comprehensive Plan, as amended by the Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Administrator is hereby directed to advertise the proposed Comprehensive Plan, as amended by the Board, for a joint public hearing with the Planning Commission to be held on October 7, 2009; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Planning Commission is hereby requested to participate in this joint public hearing with the Board to consider the proposed Comprehensive Plan, as amended by the Board, and the Planning Commission is hereby requested to make and submit its recommendation on said proposed Plan to the Board on October 7, 2009; and

BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED that, at the conclusion of the joint public hearing and upon consideration of all comments and the recommendation of the Planning Commission, the Board intends to consider adopting the proposed Comprehensive Plan, as amended by the Board, together with all of the additions and amendments that have been approved, including the adoption of new Plan text entitled "Stafford County, Virginia, Comprehensive Plan 2009-2028." and a new Land Use Plan Map, dated May 19, 2009, and to repeal the current Land Use Plan text component of the Comprehensive Plan, as amended, and the current Land Use Plan Map component of the Comprehensive Plan, as amended.

AJR:JAH:SJN:dpm