



ENVISION HANOVER
Community Participation Team
Regular Meeting
Hanover County Government Building
MINUTES: March 30, 2023
3:00 p.m.

VIRGINIA: At the eighth meeting of the Envision Hanover Community Participation Team (CPT) held in the Hanover County Government Building on the 30th day of March 2023, at 3:00 p.m.

Present:

Alan Abbott – Ashland Magisterial District
Rod Morgan – Ashland Magisterial District
Edmonia Iverson – Beaverdam Magisterial District
Scott Macdonald – Beaverdam Magisterial District
Steve Hadra – Chickahominy Magisterial District
Jason Voorhies – Chickahominy Magisterial District, Chair
Fred McGhee, Jr. – Cold Harbor Magisterial District
Jerry Bailey – Henry Magisterial District
Randy Whittaker – Mechanicsville Magisterial District
Patti Thomas – Mechanicsville Magisterial District

Staff:

Jo Ann Hunter – Senior Director of Community Development
Andrew Pompei – Principal Planner and Project Manager
Todd Kilduff – Deputy County Administrator

I. Call to Order

Mr. Voorhies called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

II. Adoption of Agenda

Mr. Voorhies asked if the agenda could be adopted as presented. There were no changes, and on a motion by Mr. Whittaker and seconded by Mr. Abbott, the agenda was approved as presented by consensus.

III. Citizens' Time

No citizens spoke during Citizens' Time.

IV. Organizational Items

a. Approval of Minutes: February 23, 2023

Mr. Voorhies asked members if they had any revisions to the draft minutes for the meeting held on February 23, 2023. There were no changes, and on a motion by Mr. Whittaker, seconded by Mr. Bailey, the minutes were approved as presented by consensus.

CPT Action: Accepted minutes from February 23, 2023, as presented.

V. New Business

a. Discussion/Update on Current Focus Areas (Rural, Housing + Active Living)

Mr. Pompei provided an overview of different concepts recommended for the chapters related to rural character, housing, and active living (pedestrian/bicycle mobility). He requested feedback from members regarding those recommended concepts. Members shared the following ideas and discussed different issues:

- Mr. Voorhies mentioned that he has received interest in having more parks in the Suburban Service Area (SSA) and that a local PTA is interested in receiving a presentation about the Comprehensive Plan Update.
- There was discussion about improving pedestrian connectivity between different neighborhoods and public parks.
- Mr. Whittaker mentioned that there is a citizen interested in donating land for a park and asked about the process for donating land to the County for a park. There was group discussion and suggestions that there be recommendations regarding neighborhood connectivity and parkland donation.
- Mrs. Iverson requested that there be more information about homelessness in the plan and that there be additional focus on that issue.
- Mr. Abbott mentioned that raising awareness of housing issues is important, as some of the ideas received from the public regarding housing do not always align.
- There was discussion as to whether applicants could offer proffered conditions related to affordable housing, such as offering money to non-profit housing-related organizations to provide affordable housing.
- Mr. Abbott asked if a temporary gravel path along a roadway could be an interim pedestrian/bicycle accommodation until there is funding for more permanent solutions.

b. Upcoming Public Engagement

Mr. Pompei provided a project update and timeline regarding upcoming public engagement.

VI. Adjournment (Next Meeting Date: May 11, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.)

With no further business, Mr. Abbott made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:24 p.m. The motion passed by consensus, and the meeting was adjourned.

Approved by CPT on May 11, 2023.