PLANNING and ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MINUTES OCTOBER 27, 2009

The Planning and Administration Committee met on Tuesday, October 27, 2009 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 1:10 p.m. Mr. Davis, Committee Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:

George H. Smokey Davis, Chairman William C. Billy Derrick Debra B. Debbie Summers John W. Carrigg, Jr., V Chairman William B. Banning, Sr.

Absent:

* M. Todd Cullum

*Mr. Cullum was not present due to an illness.

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Joe Mergo, Deputy County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Assistant County Administrator; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, and posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

Pictometry-on-Line Self Hosting (Goal 1) - Planning and GIS, Charlie Compton, Director - Mr. Compton reported the County has an opportunity for hosting its own on-line pictometry in-house. By hosting it in-house, there will be no limit to the number of users, versus the 50 connections the County is currently allowed, it would be available for all government workers as well as a version for the public to view, and the annual costs would be less. Staff is asking to work with the County's Information Services Department on the purchase of a server, if necessary, and budget approximately \$16,735 for the software installation. Since payments for this purchase could be spread over two years staff recommends authorizing the County Administrator to coordinate with the Finance Department to work out the best account method for the County to implement Pictometry-on-line.

A motion was made by Mr. Banning, seconded by Mr. Derrick to recommend to full Council to approve staff's recommendation.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Zoning Map Amendment M09-05 - North Lake Drive - 2nd Reading - Community Development - Bruce Hiller, Development Administrator - Mr. Hiller reported the Planning Commission met on October 15, 2009 to review M09-05. The request is for a change in zoning classification from the current Development (D) to a proposed Restrictive Development (RD) to allow for a SCANA communications tower to be constructed on a portion of property, 1.5 acres, located on North Lake Drive at the City of Columbia Water Treatment Facility. Mr. Hiller reported the Planning Commission recommended approval by vote of six in favor and zero opposed for M09-05.

A motion was made by Mr. Derrick to amend M09-05 from 1.5 acres to an 80 X 80 area with no access road.

Mr. Hiller responded the access road would have to be included because it is part of the activity and under the zoning ordinance water and sewer treatment plants, owned and operated by municipalities, are exempt from the zoning ordinance. He said the twenty-foot wide access easement would have to be included in the map amendment. The Committee discussed the need for the access road as well as the effects the classification change would have on the surrounding area and requested legal input on this issue.

Motion failed for lack of second.

The Committee Chairman requested to postpone 2nd Reading of M09-05 until next meeting.

Approval of Minutes - Meeting of September 22, 2009 - A motion was made by Mr. Banning, seconded by Ms. Summers to approve the September 22, 2009 minutes as submitted.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Old Business/New Business - Land Use Growth - None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee Assistant to the Clerk George H. Smokey Davis Chairman

Diana W. Burnett Clerk