

**PLANNING and ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES
JULY 27, 2010**

The Planning and Administration Committee met on Tuesday, July 27, 2010 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 12:35 p.m. Mr. Carrigg, Committee Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:

John W. Carrigg, Jr., Chairman	William C. Derrick, V Chairman
William B. Banning, Sr.	M. Todd Cullum
James E. Kinard, Jr.	

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, 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.

CDBG Program Amendment to 2008 and 2009 Annual Action Plan (Goal 1) - Community Development - Rhonda Dean, Community Development Administrator - Ms. Dean presented a request to amend the 2008 and 2009 Annual Action Plans. For the 2009 Plan amendment, staff requests to move \$125,000 from the Demolition and Clearance Program to the Minor Home Repair (MHR) Program. Ms. Dean reported there are more applicants for the MHR Program and the Demolition and Clearance Program funds have not been expended as quickly as expected. For the 2008 Plan, if there is a substantial decrease in the number of beneficiaries or substantial change in the scope of a project the County has to notify the public of these changes. The amendment is to notify the public that the South Carolina Habitat for Humanity Project was originally awarded funds to purchase 15 lots to build 15 affordable housing units but due to wetland issues they will only be able to purchase five lots for five homes. Ms. Dean said Habitat for Humanity was awarded \$135,000 for this project and what funds they do not use will go back in the County's uncommitted funds.

A motion was made by Mr. Derrick, seconded by Mr. Cullum to recommend to full Council to approve staff's recommendations to amend the 2008 and 2009 Annual Action Plans.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Ordinance 10-05 - Landscape and Open Space Ordinance Amendments (Goal 2) - 1st Reading - Planning & GIS - Charlie Compton, Director - Mr. Compton presented an ordinance to amend the Landscape and Open Space Ordinance for consideration for 1st reading. He reviewed the recommended changes as outlined in the draft ordinance. The

changes will increase the scope of the ordinance to include all multi-dwelling unit activities to include Mobile Home Parks, insure compliance with the Vested Rights Act of South Carolina, comply with the most recently adopted South Carolina Law which addresses regulation of development affecting forest land, and replicate other County ordinances. Mr. Compton reported that per the State Law a willful violation of timber harvest would constitute a deferral period of up to five years for consideration of an application or approval for development. The Committee discussed penalties and how the County would identify and process violations. It was recommended the County conform to the State Law. Ms. Hubbard suggested that the County Attorney look at the Committee's concerns and return to the next meeting on August 24, 2010. For information only, no action taken.

Approval of Minutes - Meeting of May 11, 2010 - A motion was made by Mr. Banning, seconded by Mr. Derrick to approve the May, 11, 2010 minutes as submitted.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Old Business/New Business - None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee
Assistant to the Clerk

John W. Carrigg, Jr.
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk