

La Plata Planning Commission
Town Hall, La Plata, Maryland
Regular Meeting
November 1, 2011, 7:00 PM

Present: Rich Gilpin, Keith A. Hettel, Garyton C. Echols, Jr., Mary Grant – Commission members; David M. Jenkins, Director of Planning and Community Development; Danielle Mandley, Town Clerk (Due to the absence of Chairperson Posey, and Councilman Back, Ms. Grant had full voting rights.)

Town Staff: Theresa Dent, Senior Planner

Minutes:

Vice Chair Gilpin called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM and led the Commission and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of October 4, 2011 minutes

Vice Chair Gilpin called for the approval of the minutes of the October 4, 2011 meeting. The minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

►Matters of Discussion and Review

- Charles County Comprehensive Plan: Comprehensive Plan Scenario Evaluations

Mr. Jenkins briefly discussed the proposed Charles County Comprehensive Plan, the scenario evaluations, and summarized the open house held by the County.

Planning Commission Consensus: Following discussion the Commission agreed that staff should forward a question to the Charles County Planning and Growth Management regarding page 12 of the document, requesting information as to why scenario 1 does not support the Town of La Plata Municipal Growth Element, as included in the Town's 2009 Comprehensive Plan.

►Other Business

- Planning and Community Development Project Updates – David M. Jenkins

Mr. Jenkins briefly discussed topics of interest, including: the new deadline for comments relating to Plan Maryland, and that staff will redraft comments and submit by the November 9, 2011 deadline; Staff is working on zoning ordinance revisions and recommendations, and will outline broad themes and identify examples; A new Planning section has been added to the Town web site; Staff is working on customer guides for major site plans and commercial sites, and; The Town has hired Aaron Mosrie to fill the vacant Code Enforcement position.

► **Future Agenda Items**

- Zoning Ordinance Revisions

There being no further discussion, Mr. Hettel moved to adjourn at 7:45 PM. Ms. Grant seconded the motion and it carried.

Submitted by:

Danielle Mandley
Town Clerk