



City of Harrisonburg, Virginia

Planning Commission Meeting

March 9, 2016

7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting
409 South Main Street

1) Call to order, roll call, determination of quorum, and review/approval of minutes from the February 10, 2016 regular meeting.

2) New Business

Capital Improvement Program

Consider recommendation of the FY 2016-2017 through 2020-2021 Capital Improvement Program to City Council.

Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Sections 10-3-24, 90, and 96 related to Plant Nurseries and Greenhouses

Public hearing to consider a request to amend the Zoning Ordinance Sections 10-3-24, 10-3-90, & 10-3-96 related to plant nurseries and greenhouses. The amendment would add landscaping businesses and similar operations within the definition of plant nurseries and greenhouses. Specifically the amendment would occur within Sections 10-3-24 Definitions, 10-3-90 (17) and 10-3-96 (16), which currently allow plant nurseries and greenhouses by right within the B-2 and M-1 districts, respectively. The amendment would also allow these uses to have small-scale, outdoor manufacturing, processing, storage, and treatment of products within the M-1, General Industrial District.

Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Section 10-3-24 Definitions, and Multiple Sections within Article W Board of Zoning Appeals (To Align the Zoning Ordinance with recent changes to the Code of Virginia regulating BZAs)

Public hearing to consider amending the Zoning Ordinance Sections 10-3-24, 132, and 135 through 140. Section 10-3-24 Definitions shall be amended by updating the definition of “variance” to align with changes to the Code of Virginia. Multiple sections within Article W, Board of Zoning Appeals shall be amended by updating existing sections in order to align with recent changes to the provisions of the State Code and to make general housekeeping corrections within the Article.

3) Unfinished Business

None.

4) Public Input

5) Report of secretary and committees

Proactive Zoning

6) Other Matters

Discussion Regarding Revisions to Section 15-2-24 Fowl, Chickens and other Domestic Birds (commonly referred to as the Chicken Ordinance)

7) Adjournment

Staff will be available Tuesday April 12, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. for those interested in going on a field trip to view the sites for the April 13, 2016 agenda.