

## **Department of Development Services**

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# **MINUTES**

# 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 17, 2024

- 1. Introductions
- 2. DCSM Updates
  - a. DCSM Section 600 Transportation Systems Improvements Update (Belita)
    - i. See presentation.
    - ii. Staff hopes to receive comments within the next month, then bring this to the Planning Commission for Public Hearing in September.
    - iii. Staff will develop a "clean" final draft based on the latest comments.
  - b. DCSM Section 300 Update (Chief Smolsky)
    - i. BOCS adopted the DCSM Section 300 on June 4. This applies to new plan submissions.
  - c. DCSM Section 700 Updates Consolidated E&S and SWM Regulations (Shammout)
    - i. Still finalizing the draft with changes to the DCSM. The Draft will be sent to the County Attorney, then it will be shared with the CDC and other organizations. The timeline is 4-6 weeks.
    - ii. Most of the changes are consolidation, but a sizable change is about farm buildings.
    - iii. Plan to initiate an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance and DSCM to incorporate the Chesapeake Bay Act.
    - iv. Prince William Water (previously known as Service Authority) is requesting to add a test to the geotechnical study to the DCSM. This will affect areas in the southeastern portion of the County.
- 3. CDC 2024 Goals Update (Garcia/Gardner)
  - a. Owner Notification on Permit Applications
    - i. Sub-Committee Meeting update from May 2024
      - 1. Eric Mays When a permit is created, the property owner's information is loaded into the case. This information originates from the Real Estate Assessments Office but does not include email addresses.
      - 2. The new voluntary process is for the Property Owner to submit the <u>Property Owner Notification Request Form</u>. The County will then add the email address to the EnerGov *Property Owner Contact*, which will be attached to all EnerGov Cases for that property moving forward. If the property is sold, the County will rely on the new Property Owner to submit a new request form.
      - 3. Constant contact notice about this change went out to the current subscribers.
  - b. Policies & Procedures carryover
    - i. Sub-Committee Meeting update from May 2024
      - 1. The proposed draft was specifically related to the CCTV.
      - 2. Committee agreed to discuss this in more detail at the next subcommittee meeting

- c. Changes to the Meeting Schedule <u>completed with addition of monthly sub-committee</u> <u>meetings</u>
- d. Participate in the comprehensive updates to the Zoning Ordinance
  - i. The Planning office received funding in the FY25 budget. They will provide dates and more details to the committee as they are available.
- 4. Zoning Text Amendment Updates (Washington/McGettigan)
  - a. Commercial Signs ZTA, Curbside Pickup, and Industrial Fleet Parking were approved by the BOCS.
  - b. Discussion about posting notifications to newspaper.

## 5. Agency Updates

- a. Transportation
  - i. A lot of road projects are happening this year. New traffic patterns associated with the Innovation and University Blvd project will occur once the project is completed at the end of summer.
- b. Economic Development
  - i. The Department is seeing a lot more international companies come to PWC. Industry focus has been on quantum/clean energy. This year, Economic Development did about 25 lead generation trips and this is helping to put PWC on the radar. There are several directives and studies in the budget this year, such as looking at targeted industries and working on some market studies.
- c. Public Works
  - i. Directed by the BOCS to bring back a resolution to the Board regarding the study of underground water
  - ii. Will check internally on previous understanding of enforcement of signs installed during weekend period and communicate to industry a way forward.
- d. Planning
  - i. The Zoning Ordinance update is one of their big projects
  - ii. Currently working on an update to the County's buildout analysis, which was last done 2 years ago. The hope is to have it online so it can be updated in real time.
  - iii. There was a recent directive from BOCS Chair to reexamine the boundaries of the Data Center Overlay District. The Chair asked Planning to go back to a Santec report about the overlay district, which included areas that were recommended to be removed from the boundaries
- e. Development Services
  - i. Completed the overarching move of Zoning Admin from Planning to Development Services (DDS). The physical move happened in September 2023, but the fiscal change happened with the change of the fiscal year on July 1.
  - ii. DDS was issued a directive to put Zoning Determinations online for the public. DDS will be creating an online database (effective September 3) and working through internal processes. DDS will send this information out to industry once it is finalized. This will be for determinations from August 1 going forward.
- 6. Data Center Impact/Noise Working Group Update (Spina)
  - a. JMT was hired to update the Nosie Ordinance and Moseley Architects will be working on changes to the DCSM/Zoning Ordinance in relation to data centers.
- 7. Development Services Performance Measures Update (Spina)
  - a. See presentation

- 8. Future Meeting Schedule
  - a. August 22 By laws special meeting
  - b. September 2024 Subcommittee meeting
  - c. October 2024 Regular quarterly meeting
  - d. November/December 2024 Subcommittee meeting
- 9. Any Other Business
  - a. Tom Jarman is leaving his current assignment and will be working out of the Manassas office. Brian Ferguson will be taking Tom's place.
- 10. Next Meeting 2:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 16, 2024
- 11. Meeting Adjourned