

**TOWN OF ABINGDON
PLANNING COMMISSION
MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2019 – 5:30 PM
ARTHUR CAMPBELL MEETING ROOM – MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

A meeting of the Abingdon Planning Commission was held on Monday, June 24, 2019 at 5:30 pm in the Arthur Campbell Meeting Room.

A. Chairman Wayne Austin called the meeting to Order

B. Roll Call – Jason Boswell, Director of Planning

Members Present:

Mr. James Anderson
Mr. Scott Wilson
Dr. H. Ramsey White, Jr.
Mr. Al Bradley
Mr. James Morani
Mr. Kenny Shuman
Mr. Wayne Austin

Comprising a quorum of the Commission

Members Absent:

Administrative Staff Present:

Mr. Jason Boswell – Director of Planning
Mrs. Janice Dornon – Administrative Assistant
Mr. Mason Gragg – Code Compliance Officer

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting, June 24, 2019

On motion by Mr. Morani, seconded by Mr. Bradley, the Planning Commission approved the minutes as modified for the May 20, 2019 meeting.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. James Anderson	Aye
Mr. Scott Wilson	Abstained
Dr. H. Ramsey White, Jr.	Aye
Mr. Al Bradley	Aye
Mr. James Morani	Aye
Mr. Kenny Shuman	Abstained
Mr. Wayne Austin	Aye

Minutes for May 20, 2019 were approved as presented with modifications.

D UPDATES FROM STAFF AND PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS

1. Discussion of proposed changes regarding Appendix B-Zoning Ordinance, Article 21.- Signs.

Town Council previously asked the Zoning Ordinance Review Committee to update the sign ordinance. Mr. Boswell gave the board an update on the new ordinances. Mr. Boswell asked commissioners for their comments and suggestions on the ordinances.

Mr. Shuman noted that he would like to see an explanation of what the difference is between a temporary sign and a portable sign.

Mr. Shuman suggested that on the Banners placed across the roadway on Cummings Street that the letters be made large enough to read from a moving vehicle without having to slow the vehicle down. A minimum size of the lettering needs to be added to the ordinance.

Mr. Morani suggested that the staff contact a Land Use Zoning Attorney to receive help with the language for the guidelines to regulate the content of signs.

Mr. Wilson noted that when federally funded contracts are used a contractor must have signage at the job site to adhere to the guidelines; the size of the sign should be addressed in the ordinances.

Mr. Austin mentioned the need to regulate parked tractor-trailers with advertising on them. An ordinance will be needed to cover what stipulations are enforceable when the tractor and/or trailers are left stationary.

2. Discussion of proposed changes regarding Appendix B-Zoning Ordinance, Article 18.-Site Plan Review, Section 18-9.

Mr. Bradley suggested the guidelines be drafted into two separate documents.

Mr. Boswell noted that the new ordinances should mirror the ordinances of the Historic District.

Mr. Bradley suggested that a list of Historic District paint colors be submitted into the guidelines as a reference.

Mr. Bradley suggested the number of colors used on a structure should be limited to a certain number.

Listed below are the boundaries of the entrance corridor overlay district for the town of Abingdon Virginia:

1. East Main Street, from the Historic District to the corporate limits.
2. West Main Street, from the Historic District to the corporate limits.
3. Cummings Street, from Interstate 81 to the Historic District.
4. Russell Road, (full length).
5. Jonesboro Road, from West Main to the corporate limits.
6. Porterfield Highway, from Main Street to the north corporate limits.

Listed below are the non-arterial roads that are currently listed in the entrance corridor overlay district for the town of Abingdon, Virginia:

1. Whites Mill Road, from the Historic District to corporate limits.
2. Valley Street and Waldon Road, from the Historic District to east of the corporation limits.
3. Green Springs Road, from the Historic District to Cummings Street
4. Pecan Street, from the Historic District to the railroad.
5. Hillman Highway, from Main to Old Eleven Drive
6. Baugh Lane, (full length)
7. Wyndale Road, (full length)
8. Trigg Street, from Main to railroad
9. Deadmore Street, from Main to A Street
10. Thompson Drive, (full length)
11. Court Street, from Valley Street to Interstate Route I-81

Mr. Austin noted that according to the material that was furnished by Mr. Boswell, VDOT would be reluctant to add, delete or redesign an arterial road due to the cost involved.

Mr. Boswell told the commissioners that the waivable action section of the guidelines could be removed. This section would regulate the paint scheme in the design guidelines.

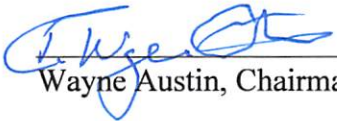
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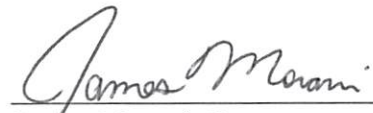
On motion of Mr. Shuman, seconded by Mr. Bradley, recommending that the meeting be adjourned with no further business to address.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. James Anderson	Aye
Mr. Scott Wilson	Aye
Dr. H. Ramsey White, Jr.	Aye
Mr. Al Bradley	Aye
Mr. James Morani	Aye
Mr. Kenny Shuman	Aye
Mr. Wayne Austin	Aye

Adjourn Time: 6:20 P.M.


Wayne Austin, Chairman


James Morani, Secretary

Next regularly scheduled meeting will be July 22, 2019 at 5:30 pm in the Arthur Campbell Room, 1st floor of the Town Municipal Building.