

**FAIRFAX COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, APRIL 29, 2010**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Frank A. de la Fe, Hunter Mill District
Jay P. Donahue, Dranesville District
Earl L. Flanagan, Mount Vernon District
James R. Hart, Commissioner At-Large, Chairman
Kenneth A. Lawrence, Providence District

COMMITTEE MEMBER ABSENT:

Walter L. Alcorn, At-Large
Timothy J. Sargeant, At-Large

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING STAFF PRESENT:

Pamela G. Nee, Planning Division (PD), Department of Planning and Zoning
Maya P. Dhavale, PD, DPZ
Randy Bartlett, Stormwater Management Division, Department of Public Works and
Environmental Services (DPWES)
Judy Cronauer, Land Development Services (LDS), DPWES
Jerry Stonefield, LDS, DPWES

PLANNING COMMISSION OFFICE STAFF PRESENT:

S. Robin Ransom, Assistant Director
Linda B. Rodeffer, Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT:

Paul Johnson, PE, President, Charles P. Johnson and Associates

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Chairman James R. Hart called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., in the Board Conference Room, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia 22035.

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Commissioner Lawrence MOVED THAT THE MINUTES OF MARCH 4, 2010 BE APPROVED.

Commissioner Donahue seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

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At Commissioner Lawrence's request, Paul Johnson, PE, with Charles P. Johnson and Associates, Inc., made a presentation on stormwater management facilities associated with RZ/FDP 2009-PR-21, Elm Street Communities, which illustrated how County policy had been applied to a real scenario.

Mr. Johnson said this case demonstrated that onsite stormwater management would be counterproductive because most of the upland area had no stormwater management; therefore little benefit would be gained by delaying water fall.

Following discussion, Commissioner Lawrence said that because the County had been largely built out before stormwater regulations had been adopted, many streams had badly damaged reaches. He said although it was never wrong to do the best thing possible during rezoning, not much could be done to salvage these streams.

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Chairman Hart announced that the committee would meet on June 24, 2010 to continue discussion to continue discussion on revisions to the Green Building Policy.

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The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.
James R. Hart, Chairman

An audio recording of this meeting is available in the Planning Commission Office, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 330, Fairfax, Virginia 22035.

Minutes by: Linda B. Rodeffer

Approved: June 24, 2010

Linda B. Rodeffer, Clerk
Fairfax County Planning Commission