

**FAIRFAX COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION  
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE  
THURSDAY, July 18, 2013**

PRESENT: James R. Hart, At-Large, Chairman  
Jay P. Donahue, Dranesville District  
Janyce N. Hedetniemi, At-Large  
Kenneth A. Lawrence, Providence District  
Timothy J. Sargeant, At-Large  
Ellen J. Hurley, Braddock District

ABSENT: Frank A. de la Fe, Hunter Mill District

OTHERS: Brian Gordon, Government Affairs,  
Michelle Stahlhut, Planner, Department of Planning and Zoning  
Lorrie Kirst, Planner, Zoning Administration Division, DPZ  
Cathy Belgin, Planner, ZAD, DPZ

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Applicable Zoning Provisions for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations – July 12, 2013
- B. Electric Vehicle charging Infrastructure recommendations to Fairfax County – MITRE - July 19, 2011
- C. Electric Vehicle Charging Equipment Policy questions for Consideration by the Planning Commission – July 10, 2013

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Chairman James R. Hart called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m., in the Board Conference Room, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia 22035.

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Commissioner Hedetniemi moved to APPROVE THE APRIL 4, 2013 MINUTES.

Seconded by Commissioner Hart which carried by a vote of 6-0. Commissioner de la Fe was absent from the meeting.

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Noel Kaplan, Planning Division, Department of Planning and Zoning (DPZ), continued the discussion of electric vehicle charging infrastructure.

Mr. Kaplan started with a recap of discussions to date that included:

- Meeting 1 – January 10, 2013 – an overview of electric vehicle charging concepts and a presentation from the MITRE Corporation on its report and recommendations to Fairfax County
- Meeting 2 – February 7, 2013 – Regional efforts and recommendations,- Overview of planning efforts at the Metropolitan Washington Council of governments presented by Kambiz Agazi, Fairfax County Environmental Coordinator.
- Meeting 3 – May 2, 2013 – Perspectives from private sector providers of electric vehicle supply equipment, part1: by Stephen Schey, Director, Infrastructure Planning and analysis, ECOtality, Inc.
- Meeting 4 – May 9, 2013 – Perspectives from private sector providers of electric vehicle supply equipment, part 2: by Michael Krauthamer, Director, Mid-Atlantic Region, eVgo; Scott Miller, Vice President, Sales North America East, ChargePoint.

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Lorrie Kirst, Zoning Administration Division, DPZ, discussed the applicable zoning provisions for electric vehicle charging stations. Ms. Kirst detailed the reasons that caused the classification of this to be an accessory use.

Vehicle charging stations could be the accessory use, used in serving another principle use. Criteria in order to meet that would be:

1. The charging station is located in a parking structure or parking lot that serves a principal use. The charging station shall not result in the reduction of parking spaces to less than what is required to serve the principal use.
2. The charging station shall be located so as not to interfere with any vehicular or pedestrian circulation or block any four lanes or access into the site.
3. Signs promoting or advertising the electric charging station shall not be permitted on the charging station or on the lot. However, small directional signs not exceeding 3 sq. ft. in size and located no closer than 5 feet to any lot line shall be permitted.
4. When located in a parking lot or on the top level of a parking structure that is open to the sky, no canopy or any type of roofed structure shall be associated with the electric charging station.
5. Any outdoor lighting associated with an electric charging station shall be full cut-off and consistent in color and design with the other existing light poles and/or outdoor lighting.

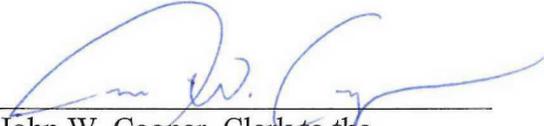
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The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.  
James R. Hart, Chairman

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

Minutes by: John W. Cooper

Approved: January 14, 2015



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John W. Cooper, Clerk to the  
Fairfax County Planning Commission