

Board of Supervisors Land Use Policy Committee

May 14, 2024

Government Center Conference Room 11

Board of Supervisors (Board) Members present:

Jeff McKay, Chairman
James Walkinshaw, Braddock District
James Bierman, Jr., Dranesville District
Rodney Lusk, Franconia District
Walter Alcorn, Hunter Mill District
Andres Jimenez, Mason District
Dan Storck, Mount Vernon District
Dalia Palchik, Providence District
Pat Herrity, Springfield District
Kathy Smith, Sully District (Board Vice Chair and Committee Chair)

The Land Use Policy Committee (Committee) meeting was called to order at 11:02 a.m.

The summary of the March 12, 2024, Committee meeting was accepted without change.

Policy Plan Amendment Status Update:

Corinne Bebek, Planning Division, Department of Planning and Development (DPD) presented information related to Policy Plan Amendment. Also in attendance were Tracy Strunk, Director, DPD, and Kelly Atkinson, Director, Planning Division, DPD.

Ms. Bebek described the purpose, scope and status of the effort to amend the Policy Plan elements of the Comprehensive Plan. The goal is to update the Policy Plan to streamline, modernize, and align existing policies, and consider adding or integrating new policies regarding equity, community health and resilience. Ms. Bebek described the timeline of the two phases of the update.

Discussion ensued with input from staff regarding the content of guidance within the Plan, the schedule of the update, and process for public outreach and updating the Board of the progress. The Committee discussed coordination with other topic specific initiatives to ensure consistency. With the concurrence of the Committee, staff will continue with the amendment process on the timeline as discussed.

High Pressure Gas Pipelines:

Jacqui Kamp, Zoning Administration Division, DPD presented information related to high-pressure gas pipelines. Also in attendance were Tracy Strunk, Director, DPD, and Casey Judge, Deputy Zoning Administrator, ZAD, DPD. Ms. Kamp described the natural gas system and

applicable safety regulations, existing zoning ordinance provisions, and options for consideration, including options for enhanced public notice and engagement, special exception and/or limits on locations.

Discussion ensued with input from staff regarding communication, timing of any potential amendment, the aspects of the options for public notice, outreach and engagement, possible conditions, and other possible options for consideration, and associated cost. With the concurrence of the Committee, staff will continue as discussed.

Flood Risk Reduction:

Ellie Coddling, Deputy Director, Stormwater and Wastewater Division, Department of Public Works and Environmental Services (DPWES) presented an update on the strategies for flood risk reduction. Also in attendance were Chris Herrington, Director, DPWES, Bill Hicks, Director, Land Development Services, Jodi Calmbacher, Stormwater Planning Division, DPWES, and Willie Woode, Executive Director, Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation Division. Ms. Coddling provided a background of the ongoing efforts with the programs, projects and strategies to reduce flood risk, the levels of services, and the timeframe to complete projects at the current budget and staffing levels.

Discussion ensued with input from staff regarding budget constraints, the analysis of the existing known unresolved flooded structures, the proposed additional staff, and developing other options and priorities for consideration. With the concurrence of the Committee, staff will continue as discussed.

The Committee meeting adjourned at 12:37 p.m.

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for July 23, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.