Minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the Planning Commission of Henrico County, held in 1 the Board Room of the County Administration Building in the Government Center at Parham 2 and Hungary Spring Roads, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 24, 2007. 3 4 5 Members Present: Mr. Tommy Branin, Chairperson (Three Chopt) Mr. E. Ray Jernigan, C.P.C., Vice Chairperson (Varina) Mr. C. W. Archer, C.P.C. (Fairfield) Mr. Ernest B. Vanarsdall, C.P.C. (Brookland) Mrs. Bonnie-Leigh Jones (Tuckahoe) Mr. Frank Thornton (Fairfield) Board of Supervisors Representative Mr. Randall R. Silber, Director of Planning, Secretary Others Present: Mr. David D. O'Kelly, Assistant Director of Planning Ms. Leslie A. News, CLA, Principal Planner Mr. James P. Strauss, CLA, County Planner Mr. Kevin D. Wilhite, C.P.C., AICP, County Planner Mr. Michael F. Kennedy, County Planner Ms. Christina L. Goggin, AICP, County Planner Mr. Tony Greulich, C.P.C., County Planner Mr. Gregory Garrison, County Planner Mr. Matt Ward, County Planner Mr. Michael Jennings, Traffic Engineer Ms. Diana B. Carver, Recording Secretary 6 7 Mr. Frank J. Thornton, the Board of Supervisors representative, abstains from voting on all cases unless otherwise noted. 8 9 Mr. Branin: 10 Good morning. 11 Mr. Archer: 12 Good morning, Mr. Chairman. 13 Mr. Jernigan: Good morning, Mr. Chairman. 14 15 Welcome to the January 24th POD Meeting for Henrico County. Mr. Mr. Branin: 16 Silber. 17 18 Yes, sir. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. We have all of the members of the 19 Mr. Silber: Planning Commission present this morning. Good morning to everyone. First on the agenda 20 would be consideration of deferrals and withdrawals. I believe we have one withdrawal and 21 22 several deferrals. We have provided you with a list of those and they're shown on the screen.

Good morning members of the Commission, Mr. Secretary. We have four

items on this deferral and withdrawal agenda. The first is found on page 7 of your agenda and is

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Ms. News is going to tell us about those.

located in the Fairfield District. This is POD-55-06, Magellan Center. The applicant has requested a withdrawal of this project.

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# PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT (Deferred from the November 15, 2006 Meeting)

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POD-55-06
Magellan Center – Brook
Road and Telegraph Road
(POD-38-97 Revised)

**Foster & Miller, P.C. for Robert B. Ball, Sr. and Empire Development:** Request for approval of a plan of development as required by Chapter 24, Section 24-106 of the Henrico County Code, to construct a one-story, 10,000 square foot office/warehouse building. The 5.3-acre site is located on the east line of Brook Road (U.S. Route 1) and the west line of Telegraph Road, approximately 1,300 feet north of the intersection of Brook Road and Mountain Road on parcel 784-760-1564. The zoning is B-3, Business District. County water and sewer. (**Fairfield**)

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33 Mr. Branin: Is anyone in opposition of POD-55-06 deferral, withdrawal rather.

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35 Mr. Archer: We don't need to do anything with it.

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37 Mr. Silber: Well actually, on a POD, you need to act on it. On a zoning case, you do

not, but a POD, it does take Planning Commission action.

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40 Mr. Archer: All right. I'm sorry, Mr. Chairman, go ahead and ask again.

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44 Mr. Archer: All right. Then I move that POD-55-06, Magellan Center, be withdrawn at

All right. Is anybody in opposition of this withdrawal?

44 Mr. Archer: A 45 the applicant's request.

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47 Mr. Jernigan: Second.

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Mr. Branin: Motion made by Mr. Archer, seconded by Mr. Jernigan. All in favor say aye. All opposed say no. The motion has been approved.

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- At the request of the applicant, the Planning Commission withdrew POD-55-06, Magellan
- 53 Center, from further consideration by the Commission.

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- 55 Ms. News: The next item is on page 8 of your agenda and located in the Three Chopt
- 56 District. This is POD-65-06, Lowe's at Short Pump Plaza, Garden Center Expansion. The
- applicant has requested a deferral to the February 28, 2007 meeting.

## PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT (Deferred from the December 13, 2006 Meeting)

POD-65-06 Lowe's @ Short Pump Plaza – Garden Center Expansion (POD-85-97 Revised) McKinney & Company for Lowe's Home Centers, Inc.: Request for approval of a plan of development, as required by Chapter 24, Sections 24-106 and 24-56 of the Henrico County Code, for approval of the outside display of merchandise and an expansion of an existing garden center for an existing Lowe's home improvement store. The 16.21-acre site is located in the Short Pump Plaza Shopping Center on parcel 740-763-6239. The zoning is B-3C, Business District (Conditional) and WBSO (West Broad Street Overlay) District. County water and sewer. (Three Chopt)

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Mr. Branin: Is anyone in opposition to the deferral of POD-65-06? With that, I'd like to move that POD-65-06 be deferred to the February 28, 2007 meeting, per the applicant's request.

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Mr. Vanarsdall: Second.

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Mr. Branin: Motion made by Mr. Branin, seconded by Mr. Vanarsdall. All in favor say aye. All opposed say no. The ayes have it. The motion is approved.

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At the request of the applicant, the Planning Commission deferred POD-65-06, Lowe's at Short Pump Plaza – Garden Center Expansion, to its February 28, 2007 meeting.

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Ms. News: Next on page 9 of your agenda and located in the Varina District is POD-66-06, Easthampton Townhomes. The applicant has requested a deferral to the February 28, 2007 meeting.

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# PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT (Deferred from the December 13, 2006 Meeting)

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POD-66-06 Easthampton Townhomes – S. Kalmia Street and E. Jerald Street Engineering Design Associates for Extra Enterprises Construction & Development, LLC: Request for approval of a plan of development, as required by Chapter 24, Section 24-106 of the Henrico County Code, to construct 44, two-story, 1440 square feet townhouse for sale units totaling 63,360 square feet. The 6.58-acre site is located at the southeast intersection of S. Kalmia Avenue and E. Jerald Street on parcel 822-722-0609. The zoning is RTHC, Residential Townhouse District. County water and sewer. (Varina)

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Mr. Branin: Is anyone in opposition of POD-66-06? Mr. Jernigan.

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Mr. Jernigan: Mr. Chairman, I move for deferral to POD-66-06, Easthampton Townhomes, to February 28, 2007, by request of the applicant.

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87 88 89	Mr. Branin: aye. All opposed say		made by Mr. Jernigan, seconded by Mrs. Jones. All in favor say motion carries.		
90 91 92	At the applicant's request, the Planning Commission deferred POD-66-06, Easthampto Townhomes, to its February 28, 2007 meeting.				
93 94 95 96	Ms. News: District. This is SU deferral to the Februa	B-05-06,	al item is on page 34 of your agenda and located in the Fairfield Collin Court (January 2007 Plan). The applicant is requesting a 007 meeting.		
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99	SUB-5-06 Collin Court (January 2007 Plan) 2200-2206 Hungary	Road	<b>E-COM, LLC for Edwin W. Simpson, Brian Marron and Andrew McLean:</b> The 5.082-acre site proposed for a subdivision of 14 single-family homes is located on the north side of Hungary Road, approximately 350 feet east of Hungary Road on parcels 774-759-4136, 3363 (part) and 5843. The zoning is R-3, One-Family Residence District. County water and sewer. <b>(Fairfield) 14 Lots</b>		
100 101	Mr. Branin:	Is anyon	ne in opposition to SUB-5-07? No one?		
102 103 104	Mr. Archer: the applicant's reques		airman, I move deferral of SUB-5-07 to the February 28 meeting at		
105 106	Mr. Vanarsdall:	Second.			
107 108 109 110	Mr. Branin: say aye. All opposed		made by Mr. Archer, seconded by Mr. Vanarsdall. All in favor The motion carries.		
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114 115 116	are no outstanding is	pedited A	Agenda. These are plans that are somewhat minor in nature. There aff is recommending approval of these plans. The applicant is in		
117 118 119	agreement with all the annotations on the plans and the conditions that have been recommended. The Planning Commissioner from the district has no outstanding issues with the plans, so they're placed on an agenda that can be heard more quickly. There are several items on the expedited				
120 121 122	agenda. If there is opposition to any of these plans, they would be pulled off of the expedited agenda and heard in the order in which they are found on the full agenda. I believe we have a good number of plans that are on the expedited agenda. Ms. News.				
123	Ms. News:		e do. The first item is found on page 2 of your agenda and is		

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located in the Tuckahoe District. This is a Transfer of Approval for POD-77-82, Gayton

125	Terrace. There is an addendum item on page 1 of the Addendum. There's a revised
126	recommendation indicating that the applicant has responded to staff's inspection report and will
127	resolve all issues, and an added condition #1 regarding correction of these deficiencies. Staff
128	can recommend approval.

### TRANSFER OF APPROVAL

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POD-77-82 (Revised) and POD-3-06 Gayton Terrace – 12401 Gayton Road **E. D. Lewis for CSH-ING Gayton Terrace LP:** Request for transfer of approval as required by Chapter 24, Section 24-106 of the Henrico County Code from Aspen Gayton Terrace, LLC to CSH-ING Gayton Terrace LP. The 9.874-acre site is located on the east side of Gayton Road, south of the intersection of Gayton Road and Ridgefield Parkway on parcel 732-750-7894. The zoning is R-6C, General Residence District (Conditional). County water and sewer. (**Tuckahoe**)

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133 Mr. Branin: Is anyone in opposition to POD-77-82?

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135 Ms. News: We have a corrected number on that.

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137 Mr. Branin: No one? Mrs. Jones?

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- 139 Mrs. Jones: I move approval of the Transfer of Approval for POD-77-82, Gayton
- Terrace at 12401 Gayton Road with the added condition #1, as listed on the addendum.

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142 Mr. Jernigan: Second.

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Mr. Branin: Motion made by Mrs. Jones, seconded by Mr. Jernigan. All in favor say aye. All opposed say no. The motion carries.

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The Planning Commission approved the transfer of approval request for POD-77-82, Gayton Terrace at 12401 Gayton Road, subject to the standard and additional conditions previously approved for developments of this type from Aspen Gayton Terrace, LLC to CSH-ING Gayton Terrace LP and the following additional condition:

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152 1. The site deficiencies, as identified in the inspection report dated December 27, 2006, shall be corrected by the fall of 2007.

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- Ms. News: On the next item, we have a corrected page number. It's on page 3 of your agenda and located in the Brookland District. This is also a Transfer of Approval for POD-
- 153-84, Five Star Gyros and Subs, which is formerly Long John Silvers. There is an addendum
- item on page 1 of the Addendum, which indicates a change in the name of the project. Staff can
- recommend approval.

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#### TRANSFER OF APPROVAL

POD-153-84 Five Star Gyros & Subs (Formerly Long John Silvers) 9076 W. Broad Street **CXD Properties LLC for KFC US Properties Inc.:** Request for transfer of approval as required by Chapter 24, Section 24-106 of the Henrico County Code from FFCA Acquisitions Corp. to CXD Properties LLC. The .527-acre site is located along the north line of W. Broad Street (U.S. Route 250) in the Tuckernuck Shopping Center on parcel 758-756-4067. The zoning is B-2, Business District. County water and sewer. (**Brookland**)

Mr. Branin: Okay. Is anybody in opposition? No one?

Mr. Vanarsdall: All right. I move that POD-153-84, Five Star Gyros and Subs, that was formally Long John Silvers, be approved on an expedited agenda with the deficiencies noted as minor replacements of landscaping, and condition #1, and then on the agenda it just changes the name. It's now Five Star Gyros and Subs.

171 Mr. Jernigan: Second.

Mr. Branin: Motion made by Mr. Vanarsdall, seconded by Mr. Jernigan. All in favor say aye. All opposed say no. The motion carries.

The Planning Commission approved the transfer of approval request for POD-153-84, Five Star Gyros and Subs (Formally Long John Silvers) subject to the standard and additional conditions previously approved for developments of this type from FFCA Acquisitions Corporation to CXD Properties LLS and the following additional condition:

1. The deficiencies, as identified in the inspection report dated November 16, 2006 shall be corrected by March 1, 2007.

Ms. News: The next item is on page 19 of your agenda, and located in the Fairfield District. This is POD-1-07 and a Master Plan, formerly POD-68-94, for North Park Shopping Center Outparcel at E. Parham Road and Brook Road. There is an addendum item on page 5 of your Addendum, which includes a revised recommendation. The applicant has agreed to provide additional landscape areas around the building, additional architectural treatments on the building, and repair pavement in the existing areas of the shopping center, as identified in an inspection report. There is an added condition #42 in the addendum regarding this pavement repair. Staff recommends approval.

POD-1-07 North Park Shopping Center Outparcel – E. Parham Road and Brook Road (POD-68-94 Rev.) **Timmons Group for Robert B. Ball, Jr. and Albert S. Diradour:** Request for approval of a plan of development and master plan, as required by Chapter 24, Section 24-106 of the Henrico County Code, to construct one, one-story, **1944** 1,922 square foot restaurant with a drive thru and one, one-story, 3,750 square foot retail building. The vacant 1.304-acre site is located in the existing North Park Shopping Center, at the southeast corner of Parham Road and Brook Road, south of an existing Shell gas station on parcels 785-756-2214 and 3418. The zoning is B-3, Business District. County water and sewer. (**Fairfield**)

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195 Mr. Branin: Is anyone opposed to POD-1-07? No one? Mr. Archer.

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- 197 Mr. Archer: All right. Mr. Chairman, with that, I move approval of POD-1-07, North
- Park Shopping Center Outparcel, E. Parham Road, subject to the standard conditions and the additional conditions 24 through 41, and the item on the addendum.

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201 Mr. Silber: That's correct. That would be new condition #42.

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203 Mr. Archer: Forty-two, I'm sorry. That's an additional condition.

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205 Mr. Silber: That's correct.

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207 Mr. Jernigan: Second.

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Mr. Branin: Motion made by Mr. Archer, seconded by Mr. Jernigan. All in favor say aye. All opposed say no. The motion carries.

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The Planning Commission approved POD-1-07, North Park Shopping Center Outparcel, E. Parham Road, subject to the standard conditions attached to these minutes for developments of this type, and the following additional conditions:

- The easements for drainage and utilities as shown on approved plans shall be granted to the County in a form acceptable to the County Attorney prior to any occupancy permits being issued. The easement plats and any other required information shall be submitted to the County Real Property Agent at least sixty (60) days prior to requesting occupancy permits.
- 221 25. The developer shall provide fire hydrants as required by the Department of Public Utilities and Division of Fire.
- 223 26. Prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy for any building in this development, the engineer of record shall certify that the site has been graded in accordance with the approved grading plans.
- 226 27. Outside storage shall not be permitted.

- The developer shall install an adequate restaurant ventilating and exhaust system to minimize smoke, odors, and grease vapors. The plans and specifications shall be included with the building permit application for review and approval. If, in the opinion of the County, the type of system provided is not effective, the Commission retains the rights to review and direct the type of system to be used.
- The certification of building permits, occupancy permits and change of occupancy permits for individual units shall be based on the number of parking spaces required for the proposed uses and the amount of parking available according to approved plans.
- Any necessary off-site drainage and/or water and sewer easements must be obtained in a form acceptable to the County Attorney prior to final approval of the construction plans.
- Deviations from County standards for pavement, curb or curb and gutter design shall be approved by the County Engineer prior to final approval of the construction plans by the Department of Public Works.
- The loading areas shall be subject to the requirements of Chapter 24, Section 24-97(b) of the Henrico County Code.
- In the event of any traffic backup which blocks the public right-of-way as a result of congestion caused by the drive-up facilities, the owner/occupant shall close the drive-up facilities until a solution can be designed to prevent traffic backup.
- 245 34. Insurance Services Office (ISO) calculations must be included with the plans and contracts and must be approved by the Department of Public Utilities prior to the issuance of a building permit.
- 248 35. Approval of the construction plans by the Department of Public Works does not establish the curb and gutter elevations along the Henrico County maintained right-of-way. The elevations will be set by Henrico County.
- The conceptual master plan, as submitted with this application, is for planning and information purposes only. All subsequent detailed plans of development and construction plans needed to implement this conceptual plan may be administratively reviewed and approved and shall be subject to all regulations in effect at the time such subsequent plans are submitted for review/approval.
- The location of all existing and proposed utility and mechanical equipment (including HVAC units, electric meters, junction and accessory boxes, transformers, and generators) shall be identified on the landscape plans. All equipment shall be screened by such measures as determined appropriate by the Director of Planning or the Planning Commission at the time of plan approval.
- 261 38. Except for junction boxes, meters, and existing overhead utility lines, and for technical or environmental reasons, all utility lines shall be underground.
- 263 39. Only retail business establishments permitted in a B-3 zone may be located in this center.
- 264 40. The ground area covered by all the buildings shall not exceed in the aggregate 25 percent of the total site area.
- 266 41. No merchandise shall be displayed or stored outside of the building(s) or on sidewalk(s).
- All of the areas as identified during the site inspection on January 19, 2007 shall be repaired/re-sealed and re-striped before May 30, 2007, or a bond shall be posted.
- 270 Ms. News: Next on page 27 of your agenda and located in the Three Chopt District is
- 271 POD-5-07, LPL Financial Services on Parham Road. The applicant is in agreement and staff
- 272 recommends approval.

## PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT

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POD-5-07 LPL Financial Services – 3115 N. Parham Road

**Koontz-Bryant, P.C. for LPL Financial Services:** Request for approval of a plan of development as required by Chapter 24, Section 24-106 of the Henrico County Code, to convert a single-family residence to an office building and to construct related parking and site improvements. The 0.47-acre site is located on the southwest corner of the intersection of N. Parham Road and Skipwith Road on parcel 761-753-0697. The zoning is O-1C, Office District (Conditional). County water and sewer. (**Three Chopt**)

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Mr. Branin: Is anyone in opposition to POD-5-07? Okay. With that, I'd like to move that POD-5-07 be approved on the expedited agenda, including conditions 24 through 28.

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280 Mrs. Jones: Second.

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Mr. Branin: Motion made by Mr. Branin, seconded by Mrs. Jones. All in favor say aye. All opposed say no. The motion carries.

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The Planning Commission approved POD-5-07, LPL Financial Services on Parham Road, subject to the standard conditions attached to these minutes for developments of this type and the following additional conditions:

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- 24. The right-of-way dedication of seven feet from face curb is required along Parham Road, right-of-way dedication of 33 feet from centerline is required along Skipwith Road, and a right-of-way cord at the intersection of Parham Road and Skipwith Road of 50 feet in length is required for any future traffic signal changes.
- The easements for drainage and utilities as shown on approved plans shall be granted to the County in a form acceptable to the County Attorney prior to any occupancy permits being issued. The easement plats and any other required information shall be submitted to the County Real Property Agent at least sixty (60) days prior to requesting occupancy permits.
- 298 26. The developer shall provide fire hydrants as required by the Department of Public Utilities and Division of Fire.
- A standard concrete sidewalk shall be provided along the south side of Parham Road and the west side of Skipwith Road.
- The proffers approved as a part of zoning case C-9C-91shall be incorporated in this approval.

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Ms. News: Next on page 29 of your agenda, and located in the Varina District, is POD-48-05, previously POD-106-00 expired. This is an architectural reconsideration for Roffis Office Building to change building materials. Staff recommends approval.

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## PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT - ARCHITECTURAL RECONSIDERATION

POD-48-05 Roffis Office Building – 4825 S. Laburnum Avenue (POD-106-00 Expired) Engineering Design Associates and Evans Construction for ARKS, LLC: Request for approval of revised architectural plans for a plan of development as required by Chapter 24, Section 24-106 of the Henrico County Code, to construct a onestory, 7,687 square foot medical office building. The 1.309-acre site is located on the east side of S. Laburnum Avenue, approximately 320 feet south of Finlay Street on parcel 816-715-2511. The zoning is B-2C, Business District (Conditional) and ASO, Airport Safety Overlay District. County water and sewer. (Varina)

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Mr. Branin: Is anyone opposed to POD-48-05? No one?

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- Mr. Jernigan: Mr. Chairman, with that I'll move for approval of Architectural Reconsideration of POD-48-05, Roffis Office Building, using the previous conditions of POD-
- 48-05 that were in the project before, and the reconsideration.

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318 Mr. Vanarsdall: Second.

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320 Mr. Branin: Motion made by Mr. Jernigan, seconded by Mr. Vanarsdall. All in favor

say aye. All opposed say no. The motion carries.

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- 323 The Planning Commission approved the architectural reconsideration for POD-48-05, Roffis
- Office Building, subject to the standard conditions for developments of this type and the
- 325 previous additional conditions with this case.

- 327 Ms. News: On page 35 of your agenda and located in the Fairfield District is
- Subdivision 7-07, Langley East (January 2007 Plan) on Mountain Road for four lots. Staff
- 329 recommends approval.

#### **SUBDIVISION**

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SUB-7-07 Langley East (January 2007 Plan) 1821 Mountain Road McKinney & Company for Bain Waring Builders: The 1.315-acre site proposed for a subdivision of 4 single-family homes is located at the southwestern intersection of Mountain Road and Langley Road on parcel 779-762-6430. The zoning is R-4, One-Family Residence District. County water and sewer.

(Fairfield) 4 Lots

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333 Mr. Branin: Is anyone in opposition of SUB-7-07? No one.

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Mr. Archer: Mr. Chairman, I move approval to SUB-7-07, Langley East, subject to the standard conditions for subdivisions served by public utilities and the additional conditions 12, 13, and 14.

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339 Mr. Vanarsdall: Second.

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Mr. Branin: Motion made by Mr. Archer, seconded by Mr. Jernigan. All in favor say aye. All opposed say no. That motion carried.

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The Planning Commission granted conditional approval to SUB-7-07, Langley East (January 2007 Plan), subject to the standard conditions attached to these minutes for subdivisions served by public utilities and the following additional conditions:

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- 12. A County standard sidewalk shall be constructed along the south side of Mountain Road.
- Any necessary offsite drainage easements must be obtained prior to approval of the construction plan by the Department of Public Works.
- 14. Any future building lot containing a BMP, sediment basin or trap and located within the 351 buildable area for a principal structure or accessory structure, may be developed with 352 engineered fill. All material shall be deposited and compacted in accordance with the 353 Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code and geotechnical guidelines established by a 354 professional engineer. A detailed engineering report shall be submitted for the review and 355 approval by the Building Official prior to the issuance of a building permit on the affected 356 lot. A copy of the report and recommendations shall be furnished to the Directors of 357 Planning and Public Works. 358

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Ms. News: The next item is on page 36 of your agenda and located in the Fairfield District. This is SUB-8-07, Austin Manor (January 2007 Plan) on Austin Avenue for three lots. There is an added condition on page 8 of your Addendum, condition #14 regarding the removal of an existing garage on the property, which is to be removed in the event a house does not receive a building permit within two years of recordation of the plat.

#### **SUBDIVISION**

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SUB-8-07 Austin Manor (January 2007 Plan) 3811 Austin Avenue McKinney & Company for Rosemary Jones, ET ALS and Greg Oliver: The 1.032-acre site proposed for a subdivision of 3 single-family homes is located approximately 200 feet from E. Laburnum Avenue on parcel 801-736-1112. The zoning is R-4, One-Family Residence District. County water and sewer. (Fairfield) 3 Lots

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369 Mr. Branin: Is anyone in opposition to SUB-8-07? No one? Mr. Archer?

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Mr. Archer: Mr. Chairman, I move approval of SUB-8-07, Austin Manor, subject to the annotations on the plan, standard conditions for subdivisions served by public utilities, and the additional conditions 12 and 13, and 14 added on the addendum.

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375 Mr. Vanarsdall: Second

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Mr. Branin: Motion by Mr. Archer, seconded by Mr. Vanarsdall. All in favor say aye.
All opposed say no. The motion carries.

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The Planning Commission granted conditional approval to SUB-8-07, Austin Manor (January 2007 Plan), subject to the annotations on the plan, standard conditions attached to these minutes for subdivisions served by public utilities, and the following additional conditions:

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- 384 12. A County standard sidewalk shall be constructed along the south side of Austin Avenue.
- Any necessary offsite drainage easements must be obtained prior to approval of the construction plan by the Department of Public Works.
  - 14. The existing garage shown on Lot # 2 #12 shall be removed within two years of the recordation of the plat, unless a building permit is approved for a primary dwelling on the lot prior to that time. A bond shall be posted prior to recordation of the plat for demolition of the existing garage.

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Ms. News: The final item is on page 37 of your agenda and located in the Varina District. This is SUB-9-07, Elko Place (January 2007 Plan) on White Oak Road for four lots. Staff recommends approval.

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#### **SUBDIVISION**

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SUB-9-07 Elko Place (January 2007 Plan) 6480 White Oak Road Parker Consulting, LLC for Presbytery of The James, Inc. and West End Developers, LLC: The 4.7-acre site proposed for a subdivision of 4 single-family homes is located at the northeastern intersection of Elko Road (State Route 156) at White Oak Road on parcel 856-703-4406. The zoning is A-1, Agricultural District. County water and septic tank/drainfield. (Varina) 4 Lots

398 Mr. Branin: Is anyone in opposition to SUB-9-07? Nobody?

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Mr. Jernigan: Mr. Chairman, I move for approval of SUB-9-07, Elko Place, subject to the annotations on the plans, the standard conditions for subdivisions served by public water and individual septic tank and drain field, and the additional conditions 12, 13, and 14.

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404 Mr. Vanarsdall: Second.

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Mr. Branin: Motion made by Mr. Jernigan, seconded by Mr. Vanarsdall. All in favor say aye. All opposed say no. This motion carries.

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The Planning Commission granted conditional approval to SUB-9-07, Elko Place (January 2007 Plan), subject to the annotations on the plans, the standard conditions attached to these minutes for subdivisions served by public water and individual septic tanks and drain field, and the following additional conditions:

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- The detailed plant list and specifications for the landscaping to be provided within the 25foot-wide planting strip easement along Elko Road (State Route 156) on Lot 3 shall be submitted to the Department of Planning for review and approval prior to recordation of the plat.
- 418 13. Any necessary offsite drainage easements must be obtained prior to approval of the construction plan by the Department of Public Works.
- 14. Any future building lot containing a BMP, sediment basin or trap and located within the 420 buildable area for a principal structure or accessory structure, may be developed with 421 engineered fill. All material shall be deposited and compacted in accordance with the 422 Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code and geotechnical guidelines established by a 423 professional engineer. A detailed engineering report shall be submitted for the review and 424 approval by the Building Official prior to the issuance of a building permit on the affected 425 lot. A copy of the report and recommendations shall be furnished to the Directors of 426 Planning and Public Works. 427

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429 Ms. News: That completes our Expedited Agenda.

Mr. Silber: Next on the agenda would be consideration of extension of conditional subdivision approvals. You'll note on your agenda that we have one subdivision that will require Planning Commission action. This is Lafayette Park. There are five additional subdivisions that are shown for informational purposes that these can be approved administratively. If the Commission has any questions about those listed for informational purposes, staff's here to answer your questions. Likewise, on Lafayette Park, staff is here to answer questions on this, and this does require Planning Commission action.

## SUBDIVISION EXTENSIONS OF CONDITIONAL APPROVAL:

## FOR PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL

Subdivision	Magisterial	Original No.	Remaining	Previous	Year(s)
	District	of Lots	Lots	Extensions	Extended
					Recommended
Lafayette Park	Varina	121	80	5	1 Year
(January 2001 Plan)					01/23/08

#### FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY

Subdivision	Magisterial	Original No.	Remaining	Previous	Year(s)
	District	of Lots	Lots	Extensions	Extended
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Henley	Three Chopt	80	32	2	2 Years
(October 2003 Plan)					01/28/09
Hoke Brady Farms	Varina	43	43	0	1 Year
(October 2005 Plan)					01/23/08
Roundabout Estates	Varina	61	61	1	1 Year
(January 2005 Plan)					01/23/08
Shady Oak Farm	Varina	16	16	0	1 Year
(January 2006 Plan)					01/23/08
Westin	Three Chopt	34	34	1	1 Year
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 Ms. Goggin: Good morning. This was approved by the Planning Commission back in January of 2001 as Malvern Hill Manor. That might be what you all remember it as. The reason that this project has taken so long is basically obtaining the permits for disturbance from the Corps of Engineers, Department of Environmental Quality, State of Virginia, and other regulatory permitting processes. It's taken a while. Staff can recommend extension of this, due to the extraordinary circumstances. They were just trying to get it approved.

453 Mr. Silber: This does require Planning Commission action.

455 Mr. Branin: Okay.

Mr. Jernigan: With that, Mr. Chairman, I'll make a motion to extend Subdivision Lafayette Park for one year for the remaining 80 lots.

Mr. Vanarsdall: Second.

Mr. Branin: Okay. Motion made by Mr. Jernigan, seconded by Mr. Vanarsdall. All in favor say aye. All opposed say no. Motion carried.

The Planning Commission approved the extension of subdivision Lafayette Park for one year for the 80 remaining lots until January 23, 2007.

468 Mr. Silber: Thank you.

Before we move into the full agenda, I wanted to introduce a new staff member in the Planning Department. We have a new Planner II in the Plan Review Section. Matt, if you could stand, please. This is Matt Ward. He is a new Planner II and will be working under Leslie's direction in her division. Matt comes to us from the City of Concord, North Carolina, where he was a senior planner. Before that, he worked for Rowan County in North Carolina as a county planner. He comes to us with a fair amount of experience and we're glad to have him with us to hit the ground running. He has his bachelor's degree in Geography and Urban Planning from UNC-Greensboro. I just wanted to introduce him to the Planning Commission.

Next on the agenda would be on page 4. This is an alternative fence height plan.

## ALTERNATIVE FENCE HEIGHT PLAN

Garcia Residence – 12198 Kain Road, off Pouncey Tract Road **Carlos Sol for Raul Garcia:** Request for approval of an alternative fence height plan, as required by Chapter 24, Sections 24-106 and 24-95(1)7 of the Henrico County Code to authorize a fence exceeding 42 inches in a front yard. The 7.45-acre site is located on the north side of Kain Road approximately .2 mile west of Pouncey Tract Road on parcel 730-767-2794. The zoning is A-1, Agricultural District. (**Three Chopt**)

Mr. Garrison: Good morning. Mr. Garcia erected a fence exceeding the allowable height of 42 inches, without approval, in his front yard for a distance of 710 feet along Kain Road. The applicant, Mr. Garcia, states that he built a six-foot tall wooden fence in his front yard to address safety concerns for the neighborhood children and pets from accessing the pond on his property. He states that the fence was placed as close as possible to the pond, which allows 20 additional feet from the right-of-way, therefore preventing the fence from being obtrusive. Additionally, the fence is situated behind the existing trees in the front yard so as not to make it as visible to the drivers.

County Code limits the maximum fence height of a fence in an agriculturally zoned front yard to three feet, six inches, unless an alternative fence height is approved by the Planning Commission.

 Staff has received numerous phone calls in opposition to the fence and has received a petition by the neighborhood association. Furthermore, staff has concerns about the quality of the construction of the fence, which have been discussed with the applicant. The staff has made

several suggestions to improve the aesthetics and quality of the fence including provisions of columns every 40 feet, scalloping the top of the fence, and staining the fence.

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The applicant is here to answer any questions you may have. Mr. Garcia would also like to state his reasoning for the fence as well.

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If there are any questions, I'll be happy to answer them.

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Mr. Branin: Mr. Garrison, before we ask you any questions, is there anyone in the audience in opposition to this? Several. Mr. Secretary, would you explain the rules of opposition if they choose to speak?

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Mr. Silber: Yes. The applicant has 10 minutes to present their case, this case on the alternative fence height. He can save some of that time for rebuttal. The opposition has cumulatively a total of 10 minutes to present their case in opposition to this request. Any time the Commission is asking questions of either party, that's not counted towards your allocated 10 minutes. Of course, the Planning Commission could extend that allotment of 10 minutes if they so desire.

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519 Mr. Branin: Thank you, sir. Does anybody have any questions for Mr. Garrison?

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521 Mr. Archer: I'd like to ask the applicant a couple of questions.

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523 Mr. Branin: Okay. No questions for Mr. Garrison?

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525 Mr. Archer: I have no questions for Mr. Garrison.

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527 Mr. Branin: Thank you. Can we hear from the applicant please? Mr. Garcia?

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529 Sir, could you come down and introduce yourself, please?

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- Mr. Sol: My name is Carlos Sol. I'm representing Mr. Garcia. I'm the designer
- and the builder for him. The reason he built this fence is, basically, for protection of the
- 533 integrity of the pond. He knows that he's in violation of the Code right now. He didn't know
- before. The way that he would like to present this is bringing an alternative to the existing
- fence that he has done. I don't know if I can show this.
- 536 Mr. Branin: Actually, you can. Mr. Garrison, would you help?

- Ms. Sol: Sorry about the drawings, but we just sketched it in there. Okay. If you
- allow us to scalp the front and leave the highest—if we can keep the six foot of the existing
- fence and scallop to the 42 inches that would be in compliance with the Code, and also right at
- 541 the front, put some landscaping as trees and shrubs and all that, to architecturally blend a little
- better with the neighborhood, with an ornamental top in each post of the fence. That is a
- 543 proposal that we pretty much would like for you to consider, an alternative to the straight fence
- that has been built in there. That will allow him to kind of protect his property from the kids

trying to get inside, as well as maybe to the neighborhood will be more appealing, to go with 545 this alternative. 546 547 Mr. Branin: Sir, the 4 x 4, with the braces, what would the height of that be? 548 549 Mr. Sol: Six feet. 550 551 Mr. Branin: Are you proposing also that you put some sort of cap, because you show 552 553 a decorative cap on top of this. 554 555 Ms. Sol: That is correct. 556 Mr. Vanarsdall: 557 My question is who was the contractor? 558 Mr. Sol: He was. 559 560 He was? 561 Mr. Vanarsdall: 562 Mr. Sol: Yes. 563 564 Mr. Vanarsdall: The letter that I received, that all of us received, has about 50, not quite 565 50 names from the community on it. They say that Henrico inspectors came out with two 566 citations and he continued to build the fence. Regardless of what it looks like now, what was 567 the reason he disobeyed the County? In other words, you said he didn't know he needed a 568 permit to begin with. 569 570 Mr. Sol: Right. 571 572 That's one thing, but why did he did not stop the fence once the County 573 Mr. Vanarsdall: came and said, "You're in violation"? 574 575 Mr. Sol: I spoke with the inspector about that. He was out of the country when the 576 inspector came and the workers were just working there without a stop order from him. That's 577 why. It's not like he resisted, to continue, he just wasn't here. I spoke with the inspector and he 578 579 agrees that he couldn't reach Mr. Garcia at that point. 580 Mr. Vanarsdall: So, he didn't write him up for anything, he just cited him? 581 582 Mr. Sol: 583 Yes. 584 Mr. Vanarsdall: Why did the fence have to be that high to begin with? 585 586 Mr. Sol:

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Mr. Vanarsdall:

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589 590 he was telling me, he found a dog that drown in the pond and he's afraid of kids or somebody

Why didn't he put a fence around the pond?

It's a pond in there. Basically, just for safety reasons. According to what

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592	Mr. Sol:	Well—			
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594 595	Mr. Vanarsdall:	It would have taken care of that.			
596	Mr. Sol:	Yes, it would take care of that, but he was trying to incorporate that fence			
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599	Mrs. Jones:	Mr. Sol, I have a question. You said that the suggested design you're			
600		f us would bring your fence in compliance with the Henrico County Code.			
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603	Mr. Sol:	No. What I'm saying is, we will comply in the lowest point.			
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605	Mrs. Jones:	You realize you'll still be in violation.			
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607	Mr. Sol:	That's correct.			
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609	Mrs. Jones:	All right. My other question is having driven by your property and looked			
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611	-	which is close to the road and totally unfenced and unprotected. I wonder			
612		ven't felt that they need to fence off the pond?			
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614	Mr. Sol:	I cannot answer that because [unintelligible]. It's how you feel, what			
615	chances you want t	o take in life, I don't know.			
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617	Mrs. Jones:	The third question is, when you fence off a property or a subject like a			
618	pond, normally a fe	ence along one side and part of a second side does not keep that fenced off.			
619	Normally, four sid	es would have to be used to fence something off. Why was the fence not			
620	continued around the	ne property?			
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622	Mr. Sol:	Well, he is trying to prevent from the outside to get in. He can control			
623	the inside of the—				
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625	Mrs. Jones:	You just go around the side.			
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627	Mr. Sol:	The other side.			
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629	Mrs. Jones:	It doesn't extend around the property.			
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631	Mr. Garcia:	I didn't finish the fence.			
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633	Mr. Branin:	Sir, identify yourself. Let me explain why. All Commission meetings			
634	•	d for minutes and so forth. So, we need you to state your name so we have			
635	the record so we know.				

Mr. Garcia: My name is Raul Garcia. 637

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Mrs. Jones: 639 Thank you.

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- Mr. Garcia: Okay. The questions you ask to Mr. Sol, I didn't finish all around the 641 property because first thing, wood fence is expensive. I am planning on in the future to divide 642 the property in lots, but not right now. Now I am concerned about the fence. Hunters can come 643 in and I really don't want anybody to come into the property with the shell guns or anything. 644
- 645 I've seen them. I'm probably going to finish all around with a wire fence, if that's approved,

the rest of the property, which is on the back side. 646

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Mrs. Jones: Yes. 648

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Mr. Vanarsdall: You mean like a chain link fence, something like that. 650

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Mr. Garcia: Yes. Like wire mesh. It's less expensive than the wood fence. 652

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654 Mr. Vanarsdall: Thank you.

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- 656 Mr. Branin: Did anyone else have any other questions for Mr. Sol or Mr. Garcia?
- None? Would the opposition like to come and speak? 657

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Mr. Jernigan: You all can come up. It's not just one of you; all of you can come. 659

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Mr. Branin: You don't even have to yield, ma'am; you both can speak. 661

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All of you have a chance. You have 10 minutes. Mr. Jernigan: 663 664

You want him to break the ice. Mr. Vanarsdall: 665

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Mr. Matthews: Good morning. My name is Steve Matthews and I am a property owner on Kain Road. I also have a residence in the cul-de-sac at the end of Kain Road. This is the gateway to our little community and our little piece of heaven. Right now, the fence being at the 700-and-some-odd feet long is quite an eyesore to drive past. We know that residential is creeping in on us and it's only a matter of a year or so before we're going to have housing development after housing development and we're going to have a lot more of these fences. If we set a precedent now where we can have a six-foot stockade fence, I think these future homes are going to want a six-foot stockade fence for Kain Road. Number two, the pond has been there forever. There have been no complaints from the prior owner prior to Mr. Garcia. The pond used to have ducks, geese, occasional blue heron that we could see as we came home. Very rural country road. Now, we have a stockade fence and it's quite an eyesore. We have to pass it going to work, coming home from work. If we allow it, I can only image that the future homeowners are going to want a stockade fence to protect their interests also.

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Mr. Vanarsdall: What do you think of this design? 681

683 Mr. Matthews: The design is almost acceptable. It would be pretty. I don't know how

you can actually landscape 720 some-odd feet of frontage.

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686 Mr. Vanarsdall: That's a lot of landscaping.

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688 Mr. Matthews: Absolutely. A lot of dollars involved in correcting this fence.

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Mr. Branin: Mr. Matthews, we understand that it is in violation. We understand that what he's proposing is also in violation because the maximum height would still be the poles, which will be at six foot.

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694 Mr. Matthews: Yes.

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696 Mr. Branin: When the Commissioner asked you what you thought, you said you're 697 almost in agreement. Can you expand on that in any way?

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701 702 Mr. Matthews: There's some old history that goes along with this property. Currently, I believe the present fence is there to hide illicit activity that has gone on in the past, and can go on in the future. Number two, there's a lot of trash problems with this property and adjoining properties, and I believe that the fence now, and it's a good thing, it hides the trash. Without the fence, we have a trash mess.

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Mr. Branin: My question is really on if we do approve this fence, it will still be in violation of the code. What I'm trying to get a feel for is if the residents are okay with this sculpted fence that is in violation, or are you guys looking as a neighborhood for it to come all the way down to 42, the highest point being 42?

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Mr. Matthews: I think the highest point being 42, if the column is six-foot tall with a scallop, of 42 with a scallop is more appealing, if you have to have a fence. I would have to think that we could take a drawing to the people that have signed the petition and ask their advice. Speaking for myself, the 42-inch height with the scallop is a tremendous improvement over the six-foot stockade that's there now.

715 Mr. Branin: Thank you.

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717 Ms. Powell: My name is Sara Powell and I live in Steve's neighborhood at the end of the road and we pass it every day. I've got the original petition, if you need it. I've added three 718 719 or four names since, and now we have over 50 names against this fence. The people on the petition want to see the fence come down all the way to 42 inches. All the way. The pond, I 720 have to address the pond. The pond is a little pond and it's never been a problem. I've lived out 721 in that neighborhood since '78 and we've enjoyed the pond. We've enjoyed the property, until 722 recently. It is aesthetically just wrong for the whole road. Kain Road is one of the few real 723 724 rural roads left in this county in the West End, and we'd like to keep it that way as long as possible although we know development's coming. As far as the people that use the road 725 currently enjoy the open spaces. That's why we moved out there. We just hate to see it ruined. 726 Everybody else has put up very nice decorative split-rail fences, except this eyesore. 727 Everybody that signed the petition said, "What is this junkyard fence?" That's exactly what it 728

- looks like. Like you said, we have other large ponds. We have two big ponds beside, I think,
- the one you were referring to and they've never been a problem. I think if we don't enforce the
- Code on this one, we've opened a can of worms for the rest of the County. I think it will only
- get worse. I think it's more important now than ever before to enforce these codes, because if
- they're not enforced now, it'll go rampant through the County. Thank you.

735 Mr. Branin: Thank you, Ms. Powell.

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737 Mr. Vanarsdall: Thank you.

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739 Mr. Branin: Is there anyone else?

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- 741 Mr. Perkins: Good morning. My name is Channing Perkins. I live at the end of Kain
- Road. I also have a rental house third house down from Mr. Garcia's. With the subject
- property, the pond there, he mentioned concern about kids getting in or what have you. The
- previous owner of the property, I believe, used to be out there in waders in order to clean it. So,
- I do not think it's a deep pond. The other two ponds, as you've mentioned, one doesn't have a
- fence, the other one only has a 42-inch split fence. I just feel this fence is very wrong for the
- aesthetics, for the preservation of all the properties along that corridor, and properties to come.
- 748 Thank you.

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750 Mr. Vanarsdall: Would you accept the fence that's up there (pointing to the screen)?

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752 Mr. Perkins: I don't see where you're going to scallop from 6 foot down to—

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754 Mr. Vanarsdall: Forty-two inches.

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- 756 Mr. Perkins: —42 inches. That's 30 inches of scallop. I don't see how you're going to
- 757 make it look right.

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- 759 Mr. Branin: Mr. Perkins, I agree with you, and that's if I was going to recommend
- lowering the pillars, to get a sculpted look that would bring down the lowest point to 42 of the
- sculpture, they would have to come down to at least five feet with the poles, because I'm in
- agreement with you. I can't see how you can get—

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- Mr. Perkins: I don't see how he can do a difference of 30 inches and still have it look
- aesthetically pleasing to anybody.

- 767 Mr. Branin: Right.
- 768 Mr. Perkins: The other issue is, back I guess it was about three weeks ago, we had a
- lot of rain, kind of a torrential downpour. The fence crosses the spillway of the pond. The
- County of Henrico went and fixed that spillway, I guess it was about four or five years ago.
- During that rain, there was a cooler that was lodged between the fence right where the spillway
- was, obstructing the path of the water flow. This is a concern of mine, given that what other
- trash might end up between, because the fence goes right over that little spillway. What's to
- prevent something larger from getting in there, blocking the water up, then forcing the fence to

- burst as a dam might, and then block the road and we have to go all the way around 'cause the only other access point we have to our neighborhood or anywhere else on Kain Road, is by
- going through Shady Grove Estates and Mill Lane Road.

779 Mr. Branin: Thank you, Mr. Perkins.

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781 Mr. Perkins: Thank you.

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- 783 Mr. Branin: Two and a half minutes left. Is there anyone else? No one? Mr. Sol, Mr.
- Garcia, do you want come down and make any comments one way or the other?

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- 786 Mr. Sol: My only comment that I would make at this point is I believe that six foot
- probably is a little too high for the post. Five feet will make it more attractive in going from five
- foot to 42 inches. I agree with that.

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790 Mr. Branin: Okay. Any Commissioners have any other comments or questions?

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792 Mr. Archer: Does the five-foot portion still require an alternate fence height plan?

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794 Mr. Silber: Yes, sir.

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796 Mr. Archer: Okay.

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798 Mr. Jernigan: Anything above 42.

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800 Mr. Archer: At any portion. Even the post.

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- 802 Mr. Silber: That's correct.
- Mrs. Jones: I have a comment. My assessment of this is probably largely driven by
- the fact that I need to hear the indisputable reason why this has to be an alternate fence height.
- 805 So far, I haven't heard you say that you can accomplish a lot with the plans you're putting
- 806 forward that you couldn't accomplish with a fence that is in compliance with Henrico County
- 807 Code.

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809 Mr. Vanarsdall: I haven't either.

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- Mr. Sol: One thing that I will say is that the 42 inches all straight, it would be
- probably less attractive than some architectural element that would do the scallop, going from
- 813 42. For the look of seeing a 42-inches fence straight that would be in compliance with the
- County versus five feet to 42 scalloped, probably architecturally more pleasing, would be much
- better. That would be my only comment.

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- 817 Mr. Archer: Sir, if this Commission did not approve the alternate fence height, would
- you build a 42-inch anyway?

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820 Mr. Garcia: Yes. If I have to do it, I will.

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822	Mr. Archer:	You would build a 42-inch regardless.
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824	Mr. Garcia:	Have to cut it, the whole fence, to 42.
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828 829	Mr. Garcia:	He's going to do the same way it is now, just lower.
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832	Mr. Archer:	Then my next question would be, for one of the representatives from the
833	neighborhood, if ye	ou're going to end up with a 42-inch fence, would you consider, what was it,
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836 837	Mr. Branin:	I think we could even do it at 48.
838	Mr. Archer:	At 48 scalloped down to 42. If it would create something that's more
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841	Mr. Branin:	That would be our goal.
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843	Mr. Archer:	Yes.
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845	Mr. Sol:	It is going to be more expensive to do it that way than just go ahead and
846	take that chainsaw	and cut it.
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848	Mr. Archer:	I understand that, but I guess I'm trying to come up with the best of both
849	worlds here. In ord	ler to achieve that, we need to know if the neighborhood would rather see 48
850	scalloped down or	just a flat 42 straight across, which is what he said we would end up with.
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852	Ms. Powell:	You're talking about 48 inches for the posts rather than five feet.
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854	Mr. Branin:	The highest level, which would be the posts.
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856	Mr. Jernigan:	Does that include the cap?
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858	Mr. Vanarsdall:	In other words, the pole would be six inches higher than the fence itself.
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860	Ms. Powell:	Forty-eight inches is a lot different than five feet.
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862	Mr. Vanarsdall:	It wouldn't go to five feet; it would go to 48 inches, which is four feet.
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864	Mr. Branin:	Four feet and drop down to 42.

- Mr. Silber: Another alternative would be to have the top of post be at 48 inches and 866 the bottom of the scallop would be at 36 inches. 867 868 Ms. Powell: That would be even better. 869 870 Mr. Silber: It would be a foot difference. That would be six inches above what the 871 Code says, but then you're coming down six inches below the Code in the middle. I think it 872 would look more attractive. 873 874 Ms. Powell: Or if we go to 42-inch height for the post, then they could scallop it— 875 876 Mr. Branin: [Unintelligible] straight across. 877 878 Mr. Sol: The alternative of the post is just to bring a little more attractive look of 879 the fence. 880 881 882 Mr. Branin: Right. 883 884 Mr. Branin: I'm willing to concede a little height to get a little beauty. 885 Ms. Powell: 886 To go to 48-inch posts. 887 Mr. Branin: Forty-eight inch posts. 888 889 Ms. Powell: Down to a 42-inch scallop. At what span would that be? 890 891 Mr. Branin: From pole to pole. Are your poles six or ten? Eight foot on center? Ms. 892 Powell, we can rule that it has to be a straight 42-inch fence, okay? 893 894 Ms. Powell: 895 The scallop would probably look better. 896 Mr. Branin: He'll comply to that and we know how he's going to comply because 897 he's already told us how he's going to comply. He's going to get a chainsaw and measure out 898 42 inches, put a chalk line and cut it off. What that will end up doing is providing you with 899 900 another eyesore, but they're in compliance. 901 Ms. Powell: I understand. 902
- Mr. Branin: I'm willing to give them a little height to get the aesthetics. 903

904 905 Mr. Matthews: I don't know if Greg was able to get in touch with Public Works. Has Public Works reviewed the spillway issue on it and any obstruction that might end up 906 happening? 907

Mr. Garrison: It's out of the right-of-way. 909

911 Mr. Vanarsdall: You need to get up here so we can hear you, Greg.

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912 Mr. Garrison: Yes, I spoke with Public Works. They didn't have any issues with it. 913 Traffic said it was clearly out of the right-of-way. 914 915 Mr. Matthews: With that big spillway coming in, [unintelligible] right there on Kain 916 917 Road. 918 919 Mr. Garrison: Right. Public Works didn't have any issues. 920 Mr. Matthews: 921 Okay. I saw the cooler and I saw the water being clearly blocked there. 922 If the water was to be blocked and it backed up, would there be enough force to cause the fence to go down? Is there anything that Public Works would like to see done on that fence crossing 923 the spillway? 924 925 926 Mr. Garrison: They didn't indicate that. 927 928 Mr. Matthews: Okay. 929 Mr. Chairman, I have one question. Let's clear this up so when the 930 Mr. Jernigan: 931 inspector goes out there, is the top of the pole including the ornamental fixture on top? 932 933 Mr. Branin: I was going to do it at 48 inches to the top of the pole. With the ornamental fixture, it would probably come out at probably right at 50. 934 935 Mr. Jernigan: Okay. I just wanted to make sure so we knew that the pole height itself is 936 48 and then the ornamental on top of it is not included into the height. 937 938 939 Mr. Matthews: Steve Matthews. I just want to be clear, are we talking the entire fence, the side property? 940 941 Mr. Branin: No sir. I was going to as them to scroll the side and dress it up, but that 942 will be their decision. 943 944 Mr. Archer: Nothing else is in violation right now. 945 946 Mr. Jernigan: 947 The side yard and backyard can be six feet. Mr. Silber: Let me clarify that, though. The Code says that the front yard is not just 948 949

where the fence is parallel to the road, but where it turns and moves back towards the front building elevation or the front yard setbacks. Where the front yard setback is at, they need to 950 extend that shortened fence back to that point.

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953 If you draw a line across the front of the house all the way across, that Mr. Jernigan: would be considered the front yard. 954

Mr. Chairman, I'm extremely empathetic to Mr. Garcia, I suspect, but 956 Mr. Thornton: 957 you know, these kind of cases always raise, in my mind, an issue that we need to always

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958 remember, and that is that the residents who live on this street have been there for some time. Having lived there for some time, they, then, are stewards of that particular residence. When you 959 have something like this, which detracts and is also not according to the law there, as someone 960 said earlier, it creates a bad precedent. I see what, I think, the Commissioners are going to do. 961 They're going to try to ameliorate that. I think we need to be very, very sensitive in sending 962 messages to the County residents. The first is you have to honor the Code for the County, and 963 we have to start respecting neighborhoods better. This whole idea of putting up fences. Robert 964 Frost talks about that. We need to be a little bit careful. My only point is that sometimes when 965 966 we make a mistake, we can't correct it properly, but we can make sure that things are done according to law. When we do that, we're dealing with conformity a little bit. I'm always 967 concerned about the people who live on Kain. They've been there. They saw the herons, they 968 saw the ponds. It just seems to me that they have more of a say-so in this, and we have allowed 969 that. I'm always concerned about these cases wherein people come and they come into a 970 neighborhood and they want to make some of these changes there. In my opinion, the people 971 who live there must always be privy to say what it is that they want to live in contingence with. 972

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975 Mr. Branin: Thank you, Mr. Thornton. I must apologize to the audience. I am a new chairman and it is tradition and also respect to introduce our Supervisor who is sitting on the Board with us this year. Being a new chairman, I was so excited to get started on my first POD, I neglected Mr. Thornton, and I apologize, Mr. Thornton.

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I'm going to make a motion. I would like to make a motion in regards to the Garcia residence for a height exception of 50 inches with the fence being—

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Mr. Jernigan: Make it 48 at the pole because it could be two or three inches difference depending on what kind of cap they put on it.

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986 Mr. Branin: With the ultimate height of 48 inches of the pole, and the fence to be scalloped, and landscaping as can be provided.

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989 Mrs. Jones: The scalloped height.

That's my comment on that, Mr. Chairman.

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Mr. Branin: To come to 42 inches. Forty-two inches or less.

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993 Mr. Jernigan: Second.

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995 Mr. Vanarsdall: Mr. Chairman, before we move now, that also means they could put a cap

on the poles.

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998 Mr. Jernigan: The decorative cap can be above that.

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1000 Mrs. Jones: Before we vote, Mr. Chairman, how high will it be including the cap, 48

inches?

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1003 Mr. Branin: To give that leeway, that's why in my motion I said the pole to be 48.

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1005 1006	Mr. Vanarsdall:	Then this comes down to 42.
1007	Mr. Branin:	A maximum of 42.
1008 1009	Mr. Vanarsdall:	Okay. I believe that it's eight feet apart.
1010 1011	Mr. Branin:	Minimum of 42.
1012 1013 1014 1015	Mr. Silber: or is that optional?	Is it the Commission's motion that the fence must have caps on the post
1016 1017 1018	Mr. Jernigan: says he's going to p	I believe the applicant said they were going to put them on there. If he out them on there, let's make it part of the case.
1019 1020 1021 1022		Okay. So, they would be capped and the posts themselves would not the cap could exceed 48. They will be capped, they will be scalloped, and the ught down to at least a height no greater than 42 inches.
1022 1023 1024	Mr. Branin:	That's what I said exactly, but you said it much better.
1025 1025 1026	Mr. Jernigan:	I second it, Mr. Chairman.
1027 1028 1029	Mr. Branin: aye. All opposed sa	Motion made by Mr. Branin, seconded by Mr. Jernigan. All in favor say ay no. The motion carries.
1029 1030 1031	The vote was as fol	lows:
1032 1033 1034 1035 1036	Mr. Branin - Mr. Vanarsdall - Mr. Branin - Mr. Jernigan - Mrs. Jones -	Yes Yes Yes Yes
1037 1038 1039 1040	Mr. Archer: County and ask wha	Mr. Garcia, I hope you've learned a lesson that it's better to come to the at to do.
1041 1042 1043		mission with a four to one vote, approved the alternative fence height for the subject to the standard conditions attached to these minutes for landscape
1044 1045 1046	SUBDIVISION (D	Deferred from the December 13, 2006 Meeting)

SUB-59-06 Youngblood, Tyler & Associates for Fidelity Properties,
Dalton Park @ Greenbrooke
(November 2006 Plan) Youngblood, Tyler & Associates for Fidelity Properties,
Ltd.; Dalton Park LLC; Estate of Daisey A. Childress;
Maynard L. Puryear, Helen D. Puryear, and Brenda H.

4320 – 4350 Belfast Road

**Puryear; Larry C. Riley and Patricia R. Coleman and Myrtle B. Graves:** The 2.254-acre site proposed for a subdivision of 30, single-family homes is located between the east line of I-295 entrance ramp and the west line of Belfast Road on parcels 743-763-3572, 743-762-7481, 743-763-8604 (part), 743-763-8655, 743-762-3527 (part) 9020 and 9533. The zoning is R-3C, One-Family Residence District (Conditional). County water and sewer. (**Three Chopt**) **30 29 Lots** 

Mr. Branin: Is anyone in opposition to SUB-59-06, Dalton Park? No one?

Ms. Goggin: Good morning again. The applicant proposes a plan with two stem lots, which requires an exception from the Planning Commission. These are the stem lots right here. (Referring to rendering). The Commission did approve four stem lots in October 2004 within an earlier section of the same-named subdivision. The stem lots were requested by the same developer to lesson environmental impacts on wetlands and floodplains located near the approved stem lots. This plan, on the other hand, does not have any extenuating circumstances such as environmental impacts which necessitate the use of the stem lots.

Staff has prepared an alternative layout, which would not require an exception from the Planning Commission, but does lose one lot within the proposed subdivision. A copy of that plan is in your packet and this is staff's redesign.

If the Commission chooses to grant the exception, the applicant has proffered two additional conditions addressing the maintenance of a shared driveway between the two stem lots. The other condition that the applicant has offered states that the existing house on this lot would remain. Staff has an image of that existing house on that one lot.

Staff does not recommend approval of the proposed stem lots and recommends that the applicant revisit the layout to provide a design that can be approved without an exception from the Commission. Should the Commission choose to act on this request, in addition to the standard conditions for subdivisions served by public utilities, the annotations on the plan, and conditions 11 through 18 in the agenda are recommended. Should the Commission choose to approve the exception request for the stem lots, at the Commission's discretion, both the subdivision and the exception approval can be made in one motion.

I would be happy to answer any questions the Commission may have. Webb Tyler is here to present his request for the exception. If the Commission has any questions for me or him, we'd be happy to answer them.

1079 Mr. Branin: Does anybody have any questions for Ms. Goggin?

1081 Mr. Vanarsdall: Yes. Christina.

1083 Ms. Goggin: Yes, sir.

1085 Mr. Vanarsdall: Which one of these did you provide?

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1087 Ms. Goggin: The second plan where—

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1089 Mr. Vanarsdall: That's what I thought; I just wanted to make sure.

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1091 Ms. Goggin: Yes, sir.

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1093 Mr. Vanarsdall: Thank you.

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1095 Ms. Goggin: So, that plan would remove the stem lots, it wouldn't need an exception

from the Commission, but the applicant would lose one lot within the subdivision.

1097 Mr. Vanarsdall: Thank you.

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1099 Mrs. Jones: Christina, can you tell me, on your alternate plan, lots 24 and 25, the

houses would be facing the cul-de-sac on those lots.

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1102 Ms. Goggin: Yes ma'am.

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1104 Mrs. Jones: The existing house on the neighboring lot, that faces the back or the side

1105 yard.

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1107 Ms. Goggin: Yes, ma'am. One thing I would say about our Code is even though we do

have front, rear, and side yard setbacks, nothing demands the orientation of a front door to the

front yard. A person could always build their house in a manner that most of us wouldn't.

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1111 Mrs. Jones: Okay.

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1113 Mr. Tyler: Good morning. Just for the record, my name is Webb Tyler. I'm an

engineer with Youngblood, Tyler. I'm also the developer and contract purchaser of this property

and the developer of the areas between Sadler Road and Interstate 295.

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The reason we're here today is to discuss the question of stem lots. This Commission does have

the ability to approve stem lots if a good case can be presented that it is justified. That's my job,

to try to convince you all that it is justified. The reason for the request is that of the 57 properties

that Mr. Massey and I have assembled and developed over the last seven years, we are really not

what you would define as developers. We are re-developers. We've removed 13 houses. We've

cleaned up trash dumps. I've taken out two tractor-trailer loads of tires, a tractor-trailer load of

mufflers in this area, had way too many downed trees due to bug infestation. This is an area that

is basically between Twin Hickory and Innsbrook, and is an area that was developed by John and

Mary McDonald and the Green family over a hundred years ago. The McDonald's did it

approximately 60 years ago. So, I think it's important to realize that in this particular project, we are going to take down two houses, but those houses are much older. They're 50, 60, 70 years

old. But this particular house that you've seen a picture of is only five to six years old.

Therefore, we believe, and the owner believes, that it still has a very good life. It's also a house

that is maybe not exactly like the ones that we're building, but many of these homes are now

having additions on them. A good case in point is River Road going from Gaskins out to Goochland. Many of those homes have additions and are doubled in size, but they still keep their style and are beautiful.

The reason that we're requesting this here is simply the orientation of the house. The existing house right here faces Belfast, which is the existing road right here. The original lot on Small McDonald farms is that area right there. It's an A-1 lot. It has a long driveway that comes in this way. The front of the house is right here. It faces to the right. What we are proposing is to have a house here and a house here that would face the front of that existing house. (Referring to rendering). We believe a common driveway right in that area where the front of the house faces the front of the existing house, and this front of the house faces the front of the house here, is the correct orientation whereas the rest of these lots in here and in here would orientate incorrectly with the new proposed streets. These are, of course, all new proposed streets. It really boils down to a function of what is good design versus bad design. That's truly what it boils down to. It's a matter of opinion.

I've got three examples. I did them all, so I'm showing you the good and the bad that I do. The good designs are to the north [unintelligible] to the south there. It's call Trayburn. Those are good designs. The reason that they're good designs is because...

Mr. Silber: Mr. Tyler, I think there's a portable mike. If staff can hand him a portable mike, we can better hear you.

Mr. Tyler: Thank you. The reason that they're good designs is because they orientate the house correctly to the amenity that is necessary in not having the front of a house face the back of a house. For example, in Trayburn, we have an orientation where the houses back up to the golf course. Here, hole #7, and here, up against the driving range. They have a common driveway here, but they have the view and the amenity here. Whereas these houses face this culde-sac and orientate that way, but we never had the front of a house looking at the back of a house. They're considered private drives, very exclusive. They actually generate a higher revenue, higher taxing because they're considered exclusive. Again, you'll notice that these are much larger homes on this exclusive little private driveway. On Preston, which is to the left here, you have homes that are the largest ones in the Preston community on a private driveway overlooking hole #5 in Wyndham and fronting an actual private driveway. On the other side of the private driveway is a little creek. Those homes were also the most expensive homes in Preston and were, I might add, the largest homes in Preston. I consider that good design.

I'm human; I've made a mistake. I consider the next one bad design, my design. This bad design is Belstead at Wyndham. That's in red. Could you move that, please? Thank you. That is a stem lot, or in the old days called a flag lot, where the front of house looked at the back of houses. It looked at the back of a house. You can see that the existing house on that aerial photograph is looking at the back of these houses. I consider that bad design. The question isn't whether or not this is something that is extenuating circumstances, it's a function of this Commission that has the ability to approve what it believes to be good design versus bad design. The last case, that was a discussion of design. That is the charge of this Commission. I believe that this is bad design.

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What I am proposing I believe to be good design. It correctly orientates the houses given the fact that we've got an existing house that would need to stay. The owner has insisted upon it staying and it is very logical for it to stay because it is only five years old. It is illogical to rip down a house that is only five years old. This is a re-development, not a new development. In this particular set of circumstances, we believe that this Commission should approve this proposed design because it is better design. To further enforce that, we believe that offering the maintenance of the driveway as we did on the previous approval, the Commission did approve some stem lots for the Dalton Park original. It made that decision on a 4 to 1 vote. I think the question boils down to what does this Commission believe is good design or bad design. You have established a precedent of approving this only on what I'd like to think is good design. I was the beneficiary of that. If it was purely upon economic reasons or if I was purely capitalistic, I would have added flag lots on the other side of that bubble because we could have gotten another flag lot in there, but we didn't because we didn't have what I would consider to be justifiable reasons. It is for that reason that I ask you to please approve this with the added considerations of the maintenance of the driveway, \$300 per year for those two lots, and the condition that the existing house is to remain. That is an acceptable condition. I would like the ability to put an addition on it, but it is to remain in place. Do you have any questions?

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1196 Mr. Vanarsdall: We're talking about three houses.

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Mr. Tyler: We're talking about one existing house and two proposed houses.

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Mr. Vanarsdall: We're talking about three things. All right. What do you find wrong with the staff plan, the suggestion of the staff plan.

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Mr. Tyler: The orientation of the front of that house I believe forces the front to overlook the rear yard of the other house, and that rear yard is, as the Architectural Review Control Committee, I am protective of the front of houses and the street side of houses, but I do not restrict people on what they do in their rear yards. Everyone has different things as to what they like to do in rear yards. Everything from above-ground pools to lots of kid's play equipment. It's a function of finding the balance. I don't believe I should dictate what people can do in their rear yards as an Architectural Review Committee. I have much lower control over that, whereas the front and the side yards, which are highly visible, I believe is the Architectural Review Committee's primary responsibility. Therefore, I believe that there is a high probability of an offensive view, coming up to the front of a house to look at someone's rear yard, I believe to be not in the best interest of good design.

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Mr. Vanarsdall, if I could maybe elaborate a little bit more on the staff 1215 Mr. Silber: plan, and maybe for the benefit of the Planning Commission, I think we're coming from this 1216 from several different perspectives. One is, if you look at the staff plan that we have on the slide 1217 1218 right now, you'll see on lots 24 and 25, we believe a house could be easily placed on those lots, certainly on lot 24, so that the existing house is not looking into the back of the house, as Mr. 1219 Tyler's indicated. In fact, you'd be looking into, perhaps, a side, or it could be oriented so it 1220 1221 would be a side or somewhat the front. I think if you also use Mr. Tyler's argument, one would 1222 have to question lot 22, which is on the opposite side of the existing house because that house, in

- fact, would be looking into the back of an existing house, whereas Mr. Tyler said that you really
- don't want to have design where you have a house looking at the back of another house. I would
- also like to point out that if you look at lots 34 and 35, which front onto Belfast, those lots have
- been shortened up on Mr. Tyler's plan in order to be able to get his stem lots in there. I would
- argue that you don't want to jeopardize those other two lots, make them smaller or shorter, have
- future problems with setbacks. I think the staff plan expands out lots 34 and 35.

- So, I think there are a number of reasons. I think Mr. Tyler has some good arguments. I would really think that what this is all about is good design and I would argue that Mr. Tyler maybe has
- come up with good design but the staff has come up with better design.

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1234 Mr. Vanarsdall: Thank you.

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- 1236 Mr. Jernigan: Webb, let me ask you something. When you first started out, you were
- aligned around the individual that's in this house, that's five or six years old, that was all his
- 1238 property, right?

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1240 Mr. Tyler: That is correct.

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1242 Mr. Jernigan: His frontage was on...

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1244 Mr. Tyler: Belfast.

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Mr. Jernigan: So, he sold these lots knowing these houses were coming in there.

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- 1248 Mr. Tyler: He has sold us a portion of his property and the contract is for him to
- retain his existing house on some acreage that he is going to retain that would ultimately fit with
- some lot layout. What we're trying to do is to abide by the wishes of this Commission so that I
- can establish a lot layout and thus determine actually what are the metes and bounds of the
- property he is to retain, but he will be living in that house and will retain the house and some
- 1253 configuration of an underlying land area.

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- 1255 Mr. Branin: Let me rephrase Mr. Jernigan's question for you, then. The current owner
- of that house that has contracted to sell you the land is aware that there will be some fashion of
- house on the land that he has sold you.

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1259 Mr. Tyler: That is correct.

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1261 Mr. Branin: Okay. Thank you. Did that answer your question, Mr. Jernigan?

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1263 Mr. Jernigan: Be looking at something.

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- 1265 Mrs. Jones: On lot 24, as the staff plan has it presented, the buildable area for these
- homes seems to be quite extensive. Is the size of house that you're thinking of putting on a lot
- like 24 approximately the same size as the existing home that we're discussing here?

- 1269 Mr. Tyler: It would probably be slightly larger. The existing home is slightly
- smaller. It is highly likely that the existing home would, at some point, have an addition because
- it would be one of the smaller homes in the neighborhood. Again, as the example of the River
- Road corridor, 1500-square-foot houses, one-story ranches, are now having additions of 1500 to
- 2,000 square feet in order to create a 3500-square-foot house. It's the renovation, the
- redevelopment.

- 1276 Mrs. Jones: I'm well aware of that trend. I was just pointing that on lot 24, the
- buildable area gives you a lot of options for how to place a house if it isn't 2 to 3 times what
- 1278 you're seeing on the existing.

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- 1280 Mr. Tyler: I don't disagree that the buildable area is large there. I think it's a
- function of opinion, Mrs. Jones.
- 1282 Mrs. Jones: Okay.

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- 1284 Mr. Tyler: It's a function of my opinion of design versus Mr. Silber's opinion. The
- world will not come to an end whatever the decision comes to here.

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1287 Mrs. Jones: Thank you.

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1289 Mr. Branin: Does anybody else have any other questions? Mr. Archer?

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1291 Mr. Archer: No, I don't, Mr. Chairman.

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- 1293 Mr. Branin: Okay. Mr. Tyler, I'm feeling the way the Commission's going to go on
- this and it's not going to be in a positive fashion for you, if I set this to vote.

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- 1296 Mr. Tyler: Mr. Branin, I've been beat by this Commission so many times, I've gotten
- used to it. Some days I win and some days I lose.
- 1298 Mr. Branin: I will also say you are doing a fantastic job out there and keep up the good
- work. Now, before this goes to vote and you get denied, I will give you the opportunity to go
- with the staff's plan because that's looking like, as you put it, good design.

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- 1302 Mr. Tyler: Mr. Branin, the situation is one where it seems, certainly, based upon your
- comment, that this is what the Commission desires. Obviously, I will honor whatever the
- 1304 Commission desires. I'm sure you understand that at some point, things just don't make
- economic sense and therefore, one has to humbly bow out. I don't know where we are on that
- spectrum. Certainly, the world is changing and the economics of things are changing, but I do
- understand this Commission's need to approve something that is appropriate and where they're
- comfortable. I'm sure you can appreciate that I don't want to do anything where I'm going to go
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- 1311 Mr. Branin: All right. Well, I'm going to make a recommendation to approve the
- staff's plan. That way, if you choose to proceed forward with development of this, you'll have
- that right. With that,

- 1315 Mr. Silber: I think you'd still approve it with all of these conditions. You'll be
- denying the exception. Ms. Goggin, we'd be denying, I guess, the exception for the stem lots,
- 1317 correct?

- 1319 Ms. Goggin: Yes sir. I think you could make a motion to approve the alternative staff
- plan as in the packet.

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1322 Mr. Silber: With all the conditions listed on the agenda.

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1324 Ms. Goggin: Yes sir.

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- 1326 Mr. Branin: Well, that's the way I'll do it then. With that, I'd like to move for
- approval of SUB-59-06, Dalton Park, with conditions 11 through 18, the annotated staff plan.
- 1328 Am I missing anything?

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- 1330 Ms. Goggin: I would like to state for the record, it would result in the loss of one lot, so
- it would be 29 lots versus 30.

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1333 Mr. Silber: That's correct.

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1339 Mr. Branin: Twenty-nine lots as opposed to 30.

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1341 Mr. Jernigan: I'll second the motion.

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- 1343 Mr. Branin: Motion made by Mr. Branin, seconded by Mr. Jernigan. All in favor say
- aye. All opposed say no. The motion carries.

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- The Planning Commission granted conditional approval to SUB-59-06, Dalton Park (November
- 2006 Plan) subject to the standard conditions attached to these minutes for subdivisions serve by
- public utilities, and the following additional conditions:

- 1350 11. Each lot shall contain at least 11,000 square feet exclusive of the flood plain areas.
- The limits and elevation of the 100-year frequency flood shall be conspicuously noted on the plat and construction plans and labeled "Limits of 100-year floodplain." Dedicate
- floodplain as a "Variable Width Drainage & Utilities Easement."
- 13. The detailed plant list and specifications for the landscaping to be provided within the 35foot-wide planting strip easement along I-64 shall be submitted to the Department of
- Planning for review and approval prior to recordation of the plat.
- 1357 14. Any necessary offsite drainage easements must be obtained prior to approval of the construction plan by the Department of Public Works.
- 1359 15. The proffers approved as part of zoning cases C-16C-06, C-9C-04 and C-40C-06 shall be incorporated in this approval.

- 1361 16. Prior to requesting the final approval, a draft of the covenants and deed restrictions for the maintenance of the common area by a homeowners association shall be submitted to the Department of Planning for review. Such covenants and restrictions shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the County Attorney and shall be recorded prior to recordation of the subdivision plat.
- Any future building lot containing a BMP, sediment basin or trap and located within the 17. 1366 buildable area for a principal structure or accessory structure, may be developed with 1367 engineered fill. All material shall be deposited and compacted in accordance with the 1368 1369 Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code and geotechnical guidelines established by a professional engineer. A detailed engineering report shall be submitted for the review and 1370 approval by the Building Official prior to the issuance of a building permit on the affected 1371 lot. A copy of the report and recommendations shall be furnished to the Directors of 1372 Planning and Public Works. 1373
- 1374 18. Prior to requesting recordation, the developer shall furnish a letter from **Plantation**1375 **Pipeline** stating that this proposed development does not conflict with its facilities.

## PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT (Deferred from the December 13, 2006)

POD-67-06 American Family Fitness – Short Pump Town Center Balzer & Associates, Inc. for Short Pump Town Center, LLC, Bee-Pump, LLC and American Family Fitness: Request for approval of a plan of development, as required by Chapter 24, Section 24-106 of the Henrico County Code, to construct a two-story, 82,189 82,891 square foot fitness center. The 5.92-acre site is located along the south line of I-64, approximately 2,600 feet west of Pouncey Tract Road, on part of parcel 737-764-0069. The zoning is B-3C, Business District (Conditional) and WBSO (West Broad Street Overlay) District. County water and sewer. (Three Chopt)

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1379 Mr. Branin: Mr. Wilhite.

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Mr. Wilhite: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I'd like to point out that there is a correction to 1381 the square footage, 82,891 square feet as opposed to 82,189. Staff has received information on 1382 the parking demand for this use of the property. We have looked at that and find it acceptable to 1383 staff that the number of parking spaces shown on the plan will be sufficient for this particular 1384 1385 use. Also, you just received a handout with the revised elevation. The elevation has some enhancements to it, most importantly a more pronounced cornice on top of the building, plus the 1386 1387 addition of a brick band just below that cornice. I'd also like to point out that this has been reviewed by Forest City and they have approved this design. Staff does find it acceptable. 1388

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On page 2 of your addendum, there is an additional condition #31 that deals with the installation of radio equipment within this building to make sure that the County's emergency communication's system will operate inside. The applicant is okay with the addition of this condition. Therefore, staff does recommend approval of this plan with this revised elevation.

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Mr. Branin: Is anyone in opposition to this project? Anybody have any questions for Mr. Wilhite? None? With that, I'd like to move for approval of POD-67-06, American Family Fitness, Short Pump Town Center, with the change in the square footage to 82,191 82,891, annotations on the plan, and additional condition #31.

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1400 Mr. Archer: Second.

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Mr. Branin: Motion was made by Mr. Branin, seconded by Mr. Archer. All in favor say aye. All opposed say no. The motion carries.

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The Planning Commission approved POD-67-06, American Family Fitness, Short Pump Town Center, subject to the annotations on the plan, the standard conditions attached to these minutes for developments of this type, and the following additional conditions:

- The developer shall provide fire hydrants as required by the Department of Public Utilities and Division of Fire.
- 1411 25. Outside storage shall not be permitted.

- The proffers approved as a part of zoning case C-29C-98 shall be incorporated in this approval.
- Deviations from County standards for pavement, curb or curb and gutter design shall be approved by the County Engineer prior to final approval of the construction plans by the Department of Public Works.
- Insurance Services Office (ISO) calculations must be included with the plans and contracts and must be approved by the Department of Public Utilities prior to the issuance of a building permit.
- Evidence of a joint ingress/egress and maintenance agreement must be submitted to the Department of Planning and approved prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy for this development.
- The location of all existing and proposed utility and mechanical equipment (including HVAC units, electric meters, junction and accessory boxes, transformers, and generators) shall be identified on the landscape plans. All equipment shall be screened by such measures as determined appropriate by the Director of Planning or the Planning Commission at the time of plan approval.
- In order to maintain the effectiveness of the County's public safety radio communications system within buildings, the owner will install radio equipment that will allow for adequate radio coverage within the building, unless waived by the Director of Planning. Compliance with the County's emergency communication system shall be certified to the County by a communications consultant within ninety (90) days of obtaining a certificate of occupancy. The County will be permitted to perform communications testing in the building at anytime.

#### PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT & SPECIAL EXCEPTION

POD-7-07 Holiday Inn @ Towne Center West – W. Broad Street Balzer & Associates, Inc. for Towne Center West, LLC, Andronikas Moudilos, and Nick Patel: Request for approval of a plan of development and special exception for a building exceeding 45 feet in height as required by Chapter 24, Sections 24-2, 24-94(b), and 24-106 of the Henrico County Code, to construct a six-story, 192-room hotel with a proposed height of 88.9 feet, in an existing shopping center. The 6.34-acre site is located along the north line of W. Broad Street (U. S. Route 250) approximately 1,750 feet west of its intersection with Lauderdale Drive on parcels 735-763-7898 and 9381. The zoning is B-2C, Business District (Conditional) and WBSO, (West Broad Street Overlay) District. County water and sewer. (Three Chopt)

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Mr. Branin: Is anyone in opposition to POD-7-07? All right. Mr. Wilhite, again.

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Mr. Wilhite: There were a number of issues identified in the staff report that were still being worked out. I believe we've resolved them. The applicant is proposing a second entrance on West Broad Street. This was not shown on the staff plan or the site plan included with the rezoning case. However, this is in the location of the current Dominion Virginia Power access to

their substation. We have gotten a letter from Dominion Virginia Power stating that they'd like to have the entrance stay. Both the Virginia Department of Transportation and our own traffic engineer are okay with that second location. With the way the proffers are written on this site, it does require specific approval by the Planning Commission. There would be a gate at this entrance so commercial traffic would not be using it; it would only be for the use of Dominion Virginia Power to access their substation in the rear.

There is currently a request for rezoning application for the property immediately to the north, which is located in the Town Center West development. There is no approved plan for this portion of the site. They are requesting reconsideration of the zoning in a zoning request change. This application has not made it to the Planning Commission yet. If this application were to go through, that portion of the site would be removed from Town Center West Shopping Center, which would mean that the hotel site does have the 50-foot setback requirements, which they do meet. Normally this would mean they would have a transitional buffer requirement as well. Due to the fact that zoning is consistent with the hotel at this time, staff feels that any discussion of any buffering between these two sites would have to be addressed during the rezoning process and that the adjacent property would more than likely need to install any buffers that are required.

The two restaurants in front of the property, we have not received architectural plans for yet. That portion of the site in front would not be part of this approval; however, there would be the need for some additional parking to satisfy the hotel requirements and the addition of about two rows of parking, that are shown on the restaurant side, would need to be constructed with the hotel.

They are requesting special exception for height for a total of 88.9 feet. That's measured from the finished floor to the peak of the parapet. Forty-five feet is the limitation of this zoning district. There are two conditions on the addendum on page 3. Number 42 deals with the prohibition of any cargo containers placed on the site. Number 43 would require the certification of the final height of the building prior to any issue of a Certificate of Occupancy. That would be necessary with any approval of the special exception applied by the Commission.

With that, staff can recommend approval subject to the special exception for height. I'd be happy to answer any questions that you have.

Mr. Branin: Anybody have any questions for Mr. Wilhite. I have one. Did you state what kind of barrier they're going to put with the special entrance?

 Mr. Wilhite: Yes. Staff has already spoken to the applicant about their concern. We wanted to make sure that we received something more substantial and aesthetically pleasing, rather than just a chain across the driveway or a chain link fence type of design. Staff would recommend that the final gate design be of tubular steel and possibly with a painted finish to make it more aesthetically pleasing.

Mr. Branin: Has the applicant agreed to that?

1491 Mr. Wilhite: The applicant has agreed to do that. 1492 1493 Mr. Branin: Good. All right. Does anyone need to hear from the applicant? 1494 1495 Mrs. Jones: I have a quick question. Mr. Wilhite, could you use the cursor and show me the entrance that we're talking about? 1496 1497 Mr. Wilhite: 1498 It would be down here, right next to the Short Pump Town Center site and 1499 the bank on that location. That is currently where the entrance is, that Dominion Virginia Power has to their substation site. They do have, I believe, a 100-foot wide access easement that would 1500 exist there. The buildings proposed are outside that access easement, but some of the parking 1501 1502 and some other improvements are within that easement. That location was not shown during the 1503 rezoning. The one entrance here on West Broad Street was where the site plans during the rezoning process, showed the access to the site. 1504 1505 1506 Mrs. Jones: Thank you. 1507 Mr. Silber: 1508 Mr. Wilhite, are there going to be two gates at that location or one? The plan shows for two. 1509 1510 1511 Mr. Wilhite: I think there's still discussion about whether or not two gates are going to 1512 be necessary there. The final location of the gates is still being looked at by the traffic engineer. 1513 1514 Mr. Silber: I was going to suggest that the gate be pulled back off of Broad Street so you don't have a gate right out on Broad Street, but at the same time, we don't want people 1515 pulling into that access point and realizing that it's gated off and have to back out. 1516 1517 1518 Mr. Branin: Which was my concern, which was why I didn't want chain or anything that would be too unsightly, but something that creates a definite physical barrier so they don't 1519 1520 turn in and get stuck. 1521 1522 Mr. Silber: At the same time, if you have the gate out by Broad Street and Dominion Virginia Power wants to use this and has a large truck, they're going to have to park on Broad 1523 1524 Street to unlock the gate and then maneuver in? 1525 1526 Mr. Wilhite: I've been told by Dominion Virginia Power that in certain circumstances, 1527 they have to blockade West Broad Street anyway to get the large transformers back to that site. I

Mr. Wilhite: I've been told by Dominion Virginia Power that in certain circumstances, they have to blockade West Broad Street anyway to get the large transformers back to that site. I think there was discussion about pushing the gate back off of Broad Street so somebody's not stopping within West Broad Street to make a turn, that there would be sufficient room to pull off. It wouldn't satisfy all the vehicles that Virginia Power has, to be able completely to get off the roadway. There will also be signage there stating that that's not a right turn, or prohibiting a right turn into that area. So, it would be signed as well as gated.

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1534 Mr. Silber: So, the traffic engineer will be taking a closer look at this when the plans

come in for signature.

1536 Mr. Wilhite: Exactly.

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1538	Mr. Branin:	So, did you resolve that? Does anybody need to hear from the applicant
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- 1540 Mr. Jernigan: I want to ask one question about 42, which you just explained to me.
- Outside storage containers. I notice we do have people dropping PODS and Smart Boxes and all
- off. Actually, when they do that, they're advertising those. I don't think they're storing things. I
- mean, I agree with 42. I didn't know we were having that much of a problem in the West End.
- One question I do want to add, when they drop those boxes off as advertisement, that actually is
- illegal, I believe, because if you're advertising something, they would have to include it into the
- 1546 hotel advertising.

1548 Mr. Silber: A buffer sign area.

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Mr. Jernigan: Yeah. Well, they've been dropping PODS off. I noticed a couple of hotels that had three of them sitting in there. They weren't full; they were just there for advertisement.

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1553 Mr. Silber: Are you sure?

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- 1555 Mr. Jernigan: Yes. They've been dropping them off to let people see them. Smart
- 1556 Boxes.

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- 1558 Mr. Branin: We're also seeing with hotels that if they're going to renovate or they're
- going to whatever, they're dropping off PODS. I have one case that was deferred, that there's 37
- 1560 containers outside of it right now because they're doing renovation. A lot of times, the hotels
- will put mattresses in them and they'll take a year or two to rotate them out. So, we're trying to
- address that up front. Trying to be proactive.

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1564 Mr. Jernigan: Oh, I agree with it. I was just questioning.

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- 1566 Mr. Wilhite: As was stated, we have had problems with different sites. I think one
- hotel site in particular also had this issue before and that's what drove this condition. As you're
- aware, there are some other cases currently before us that we have had problems with.

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1570 Mr. Branin: Trying to address it beforehand. I will have to make two motions, correct?

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1572 Mr. Wilhite: Yes.

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- 1574 Mr. Branin: Okay. Anybody else have anything? Good. I'd like to move that POD-7-
- 1575 07 be approved with a request for a special exception for the height to allow the building to be
- 1576 88.9 feet tall.

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1578 Mr. Vanarsdall: Second.

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- 1580 Mr. Branin: Motion made by Mr. Branin, seconded by Mr. Vanarsdall. All in favor say
- aye. All opposed say no. That motion carries.

1583 Mr. Silber: Mr. Branin, that did include the two additional conditions, 42 and 43.

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1585 Mr. Branin: That's what I was going to include in my second because that was just the

1586 height exception.

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1588 Mr. Silber: I'm sorry. Okay.

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1590 Mr. Vanarsdall: Cut you off at the pass.

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1592 Mr. Silber: I'm sorry.

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- 1594 Mr. Branin: With that, I'd like to move for approval of the site plan for the hotel
- including the revised floor plan and the specific approval for the second entrance on West Broad
- 1596 Street, subject to staff's annotations, standard conditions for a development of this type,
- 1597 conditions 24 through 41 on the agenda, and the additional conditions 42 and 43 on the
- addendum.

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1600 Mr. Vanarsdall: Second.

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Mr. Branin: Motion made by Mr. Branin, seconded by Mr. Vanarsdall. All in favor say aye. All opposed say no. The motion carries.

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The Planning Commission approved POD-7-07, Holiday Inn, Town Center West, subject to annotations on the plans, the standard conditions attached to these minutes for a development of this type, and the following additional conditions:

- The right-of-way for widening of W. Broad Street (U.S. Route 250) as shown on approved plans shall be dedicated to the County prior to any occupancy permits being issued. The right-of-way dedication plat and any other required information shall be submitted to the County Real Property Agent at least sixty (60) days prior to requesting occupancy permits.
- The easements for drainage and utilities as shown on approved plans shall be granted to the County in a form acceptable to the County Attorney prior to any occupancy permits being issued. The easement plats and any other required information shall be submitted to the County Real Property Agent at least sixty (60) days prior to requesting occupancy permits.
- The entrances and drainage facilities on W. Broad Street (U.S. Route 250) shall be approved by the Virginia Department of Transportation and the County.
- A notice of completion form, certifying that the requirements of the Virginia Department of Transportation entrances permit have been completed, shall be submitted to the Department of Planning prior to any occupancy permits being issued.
- The developer shall provide fire hydrants as required by the Department of Public Utilities and Division of Fire.
- 1626 29. A standard concrete sidewalk shall be provided along the north side of W. Broad Street (U.S. Route 250).
- 1628 30. Outside storage shall not be permitted.

- The proffers approved as a part of zoning cases C-49C-04, C-43C-05 and C-44C-06 shall be incorporated in this approval.
- The developer shall install an adequate restaurant ventilating and exhaust system to minimize smoke, odors, and grease vapors. The plans and specifications shall be included with the building permit application for review and approval. If, in the opinion of the County, the type system provided is not effective, the Commission retains the rights to review and direct the type of system to be used.
- Prior to issuance of a building permit, the developer must furnish a letter from **Dominion**Virginia Power stating that this proposed development does not conflict with their facilities.
- Any necessary off-site drainage and/or water and sewer easements must be obtained in a form acceptable to the County Attorney prior to final approval of the construction plans.
- Deviations from County standards for pavement, curb or curb and gutter design shall be approved by the County Engineer prior to final approval of the construction plans by the Department of Public Works.
- Insurance Services Office (ISO) calculations must be included with the plans and contracts and must be approved by the Department of Public Utilities prior to the issuance of a building permit.
- Approval of the construction plans by the Department of Public Works does not establish the curb and gutter elevations along the Virginia Department of Transportation maintained right-of-way. The elevations will be set by the contractor and approved by the Virginia Department of Transportation.
- Evidence of a joint ingress/egress and maintenance agreement must be submitted to the Department of Planning and approved prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy for this development.
- The conceptual master plan, as submitted with this application, is for planning and information purposes only. All subsequent detailed plans of development and construction plans needed to implement this conceptual plan may be administratively reviewed and approved and shall be subject to all regulations in effect at the time such subsequent plans are submitted for review/approval.
- The location of all existing and proposed utility and mechanical equipment (including HVAC units, electric meters, junction and accessory boxes, transformers, and generators) shall be identified on the landscape plans. All equipment shall be screened by such measures as determined appropriate by the Director of Planning or the Planning Commission at the time of plan approval.
- The ground area covered by all the buildings shall not exceed in the aggregate 25 percent of the total site area.
- 1666 42. The location of outdoor storage containers on the site is prohibited.
- Evidence that an engineer has certified the height of the building shall be provided to the Director of Planning prior to the issuance of a certificate of occupancy.

## PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT (Deferred from the December 13, 2006 Meeting)

POD-70-06 Courtyard by Marriott – Virginia Center Commons **Timmons Group and Brook Hospitality, LLC:** Request for approval of a plan of development, as required by Chapter 24, Section 24-106 of the Henrico County Code, to construct a 150-

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Shopping Center room hotel with a proposed height of 45 feet in an existing

shopping center. The 4.08-acre site is located approximately 700 feet east of Brook Road (U.S. Route 1) on JEB Stuart Parkway on parcel 784-769-4292. The zoning is B-3C, Business District (Conditional). County water and sever (Fairfield)

District (Conditional). County water and sewer. (Fairfield)

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1673 Mr. Garrison: Mr. Chairman, Planning Commission members, Mr. Condlin, the

- representative for the applicant has just informed me that the applicant wishes to defer until next
- month. However, staff is prepared to make a presentation considering there's opposition from the
- Holly Glen residents, and answer any questions you may have.

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1678 Mr. Branin: Is there any opposition to this case? Yes? One? Okay. He asked for

deferment, yes sir. Okay.

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1681 Mr. Archer: Who asked for deferment?

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1683 Mr. Silber: The applicant.

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1685 Mr. Branin: The applicant asked for a deferral to next month. Would anyone like to take

any other action on this? No?

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1688 Mr. Garrison: We will need a motion.

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1690 Mr. Archer: Before we move, and bearing in mind that we have opposition and the

- applicant has met with the opposition just last week, could we just hear a portion of this so that we
- 1692 could pin down the opposition. Then we'll probably go with the deferment anyway.

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Mr. Branin: Absolutely, Mr. Archer. So sir, you are the only one in the room in

opposition, correct? Okay. Mr. Garrison, would you proceed?

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1697 Mr. Garrison: This POD was deferred from the December meeting. Since that time, the

- developer and staff and the Fairfield representative, Mr. Archer, have met with the neighborhood.
- The layout and the elevations for the Courtyard by Marriott have been revised showing a reduced
- height of 45 feet. Therefore, a special exception is no longer required. However, the footprint of
- the building has increased and the developer is requesting approval of 150 bedrooms in lieu of 139.
- However, the floor plans submitted do not show dimensions or uses in the building, and do not
- adequately show the screening of the loading area. Therefore, staff cannot recommend approval
- until the required information is provided. The applicant has indicated that they have plans to
- present at this meeting and a waiver of time limits would be required if the plans were required to
- be provided.

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- 1708 Mr. Branin: Thank you, Mr. Garrison. Anybody have any questions for Mr. Garrison?
- None? Mr. Archer, you'd like to hear from the applicant or opposition?

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1711 Mr. Archer: I'd like to hear from the opposition.

Mr. Branin: The opposition first? Sir, if you could state your name for the record.

Mr. Lassiter: Yes. My name is Donald Lassiter and I live at 1012 Ethelwood Road. I'm the third house from the back door of this hotel. Mr. Thornton, I appreciate the very eloquent statement you made about the man's fence. The residents of the neighborhood should have some input. Here, you want to put 150-room hotel in my back door. All of the residents of Holly Glen are totally against this. Mr. Silber was nice enough to give me some case law. I'm sure that there's case law, but there's also probably some case law against it. So, I would suggest that you go by the deferral. I would also suggest that you defeat this hotel. This mall, by the way, is on a steep downhill decline. You all know what happened to Azalea Mall. The same thing is getting ready to happen to Virginia Center Commons. It takes 10 security guards at the theater at night. The shops in there have changed hands a dozen times. Hecht's couldn't make it. Macy's just bought them out. The Spaghetti Warehouse couldn't make it. The building on the corner's vacant; there's been a half a dozen tenants in there. The shops in the mall have turned over many a time. As soon as the lease is up on J. C. Penny and Sears, you're going to have another Azalea Mall on your hands.

I'd also suggest that what's going to happen, if this man doesn't make it as a Marriott Hotel, it's going to become a flophouse. Sooner or later, very quickly that can happen. I would suggest that you allow him or make him post at least a \$5 million bond and he has to operate this hotel for at least 10 years as the Marriott. That way, it protects the County and protects the homeowners, if you're going to approve it. I'm still opposed to the hotel itself, because it's going to interfere with my private enjoyment of my home, which is my castle. There's no way of getting by it. He should fill up two nights a week. From one of the plans I've seen, there's not enough parking there to start with. How about the parking for housekeeping, for the clerks, for the managers? Where's all this come from? Plus, there's another Marriott 6/10ths of a mile at the corner of Virginia Center Commons and Brook Road, and they're building another hotel right across the street called the Kenwood or the Candlelight; I forgot the name of it. But anyway, I don't think it's going to support another hotel.

It's two nights a year that that hotel should fill up, and that's the week that we have the NASCAR races here in town. So, what's going to happen by the time these people get home, get back to that hotel at 2 or 3:00 in the morning and they're all drunk and they're fighting and arguing over who won the race or why, who wrecked who and all this kind of stuff. The lights are 24 feet high. No. It is going to disturb my sleep. The dumpster, 277 feet from my property line? That's interfering with my private enjoyment and peaceful enjoyment of my home, which is my castle. I intended on living there the rest of my life. I just spent about \$50,000 upgrading the property, remodeling the kitchen, 25-year roof, vinyl siding, replacement windows, new heat pump. So, I plan on staying there the rest of my life. At my age, a 25-year roof, I don't think I'll be having to replace it. I was there for the long-term. I don't want this hotel in my backdoor. I'd appreciate it if you would decline this. Again, I think there's probably case law that's went the opposite way. I'm going to research it thoroughly. I think all of you got a letter on what I was going to do. I didn't write the letter just to have something to do—I mean what I say. Again, I only ask you to deny this request. Thank you.

- Mr. Lassiter, I just have two quick comments. As for Marriott being closed, 1757 Mr. Branin:
- in my district, I have four Marriott's within one mile and all of them are fine and all of them are big 1758
- race hotels. To the best of my knowledge, we're not having any problems. 1759

1761 Mr. Lassiter: You might have four, but there's always a chance—

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- Mr. Branin: 1763 As for the mall's decline or improvement, Hecht's was bought out by
- Macy's nationwide, so it had nothing to do with that mall itself. 1764

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1766 Mr. Lassiter: Have you been in that mall lately?

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Mr. Branin: Yes sir, but Hecht's being bought out by Macy's was nothing to do with that 1768 mall; that was a national buyout. 1769

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1771 Mr. Lassiter: Okay. That mall is 15 years old. What's the life of a mall? It's about 20 1772 years. You've got 5 years.

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- 1774 Mr. Lassiter, before you sit down, when we met the other night, I think I Mr. Archer:
- told you that I appreciated you and Mrs. Brown coming up to express your concerns so that we 1775
- could determine what concerns the neighborhood actually did have. I think we tried to explain to 1776
- you about what we have to do by law when a zoning case has already been passed, and what can be 1777
- done by right. Now, we were able to convince the applicant to do away with the upper story, and 1778 1779 they've agreed to do that. The reason we're going to defer this today is because they haven't had
- an opportunity to look at their design plan. But, I just wanted to say to you that yesterday, you 1780
- were in a pretty acrimonious mood, I guess I would say and when you called my office and spoke 1781
- to my secretary, you used some language that was inexcusable. 1782

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1784 Mr. Lassiter: I did not, I beg your pardon.

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1786 Mr. Archer: Well, she said you did, sir.

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Well, I did not. I said, "Is Mr. Archer in?" She said, "No." I said, "Well, 1788 Mr. Lassiter: just tell him that I'm opposed to this plan." That's all I said. 1789

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1791 Mr. Archer: Well, I don't think she would make up what she said to me, because I had to press her to get it out of her. 1792

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- 1794 Mr. Lassiter: Okay. That's all I said. My letter, I know Mr. Silber has a copy of it and I
- 1795 think Mr. Thornton has a copy of it. I mean what I say in the letter. You all do whatever you got to
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- Mr. Archer: 1797 We understand that, but I guess what I'm trying to say is when you call me
- 1798 during the daytime and my people answer the phone, they don't have any idea what this is all
- 1799 about.

- 1801 Mr. Lassiter: I was not discourteous. I did not use any foul language. I said, "Tell Mr.
- 1802 Archer I was opposed to this plan." That's all I said.

1804 Mr. Archer: Okay, thank you.

1806 Mr. Lassiter: That's all I said. I am a gentleman.

1808 Mr. Branin: Any other comments?

Mr. Archer: Mr. Chairman, we're not going to vote on this today because the plan that came in, I think it's too late for staff to have an opportunity to examine it. Is it one month, sir?

I am Ryan Boggs on behalf of the applicant. We are in agreement with staff Mr. Boggs: that we are going to request a deferral today. The reason that the revised plans were not submitted in proper time was it took a little bit longer to redesign the hotel than we had anticipated. We had brought the height of the hotel down and expanded the floor plan, which just took more time than we had anticipated. That was in response to the neighbors who came out at the last hearing. As Greg said, we did have the meeting with the neighbors. Their concerns were basically the hotel use and the height. We basically explained to them that we had comprised on the height, but that the zoning permitted the hotel use and we were moving forward with our plans for the hotel.

Mr. Thornton: Mr. Silber, my question to you is one for education. I think this is something that maybe residents probably are not privy to sometimes. According to your information, when was the zoning approved for this case?

1826 Mr. Silber: I may have to refer to staff. I believe the zoning was approved. What year

1827 was it?

1829 Mr. Garrison: 1980.

Mr. Thornton: Okay. See, that's my point here. You take something that was approved in 1980, I wasn't around and I believe in this particular case that this particular location was in a different magisterial district. Sometimes when citizens see that there's a piece of land and it is vacant, they may assume that it doesn't belong to someone. Here's a case where some of the citizens are becoming somewhat perturbed, and I can understand that, but this is not anything that happened under Mr. Thornton's administration. This was in 1980, which I was never aware of until I came onto the Board, and the citizens now are reacting to that. So I'm saying, I guess, what we're going to have to do is have more education for citizens to understand that when some of these cases come up, the zoning could have been done many years prior to that. There are some ramifications about this case I knew nothing about that are coming up now. Now, I have to husband those types of things there. I do hope that Mr. Lassiter and other persons are going to be a little bit more sensitive to cases that were zoned prior to my time and prior to the time of some other persons on this Commission. I think that was something that may have been omitted, perhaps.

Mr. Silber: Mr. Thornton, I do appreciate that, and I think it's a very good point.
There's a lot of zoning that exists in the County at this point in time that's undeveloped and the
zoning occurred many years ago. As a result, you have development that happens many years after

- the original rezoning and it's difficult to deal with conflicts that may exist with current land uses 1849
- that maybe didn't exist back then. Your point is well taken. This was not in the Fairfield District 1850
- when the zoning was approved. I think that needs to be taken into consideration by Mr. Lassiter as 1851
- well. 1852

We could find out if there's any opposition by going back to the minutes in 1854 Mr. Vanarsdall: 1980. That would tell at the rezoning meeting if there was any opposition and what it was. 1855

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- 1857 Mr. Jernigan: Mr. Silber, also adding onto what Mr. Thornton said, being as that property
- was zoned in '80, we also have laws that we have to follow today. I hope Mr. Lassiter appreciates 1858
- that. There are codes that we have to follow as a Planning Commission, and they're set up by the 1859
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- Mr. Boggs: If I could add, I know that several of the residents of Holly Glen were 1862
- involved with the Virginia Center Commons rezoning, which is why there are so many protections 1863
- 1864 afforded to them in the proffers for that case, including a conservation district on their side of JEB
- Stuart Parkway, and a landscape buffer requirement on our side of the parkway. There were, in 1865
- fact, several of the B-3 uses that were prohibited at the time that the Virginia Center Commons case 1866
- was approved. Hotels was not one of them. We did our best to explain that to the neighbors at the 1867
- 1868 neighborhood meeting, and that the time to object to the use of the property was at the rezoning.

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1870 Mr. Branin: You were requesting the deferral.

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1872 Mr. Boggs: Yes we are.

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- I'm going to move on it in just a second. Anybody else have any questions, 1874 Mr. Archer:
- 1875 comments? All right. With that, then, I will move for deferral of this case to the February 28
- meeting, at the request of the applicant. 1876

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1878 Mr. Vanarsdall: Second.

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- 1880 Mr. Branin: Motion made by Mr. Archer, seconded by Mr. Vanarsdall. All in favor say
- 1881 aye. All opposed say no. The motion carries.

- 1883 At the request of the applicant, the Planning Commission deferred POD-70-06, Courtyard by
- 1884 Marriott – Virginia Center Commons Shopping Center, to its meeting on February 28, 2007.

POD-4-07 International Airport Center – 441-491 International Centre Drive (POD-67-97 and POD-10-06

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**Timmons Group for Audubon Land, LLC and Shamin Hotels:** Request for approval of a plan of development and special exception for a building exceeding 45 feet in height as required by Chapter 24, Sections 24-2, 24-94(b) and 24-106 of the Henrico County Code, to construct a six-story, 143 room hotel with a proposed height of 71 feet, and 56 additional parking spaces. In addition, a five-story, 130-room, hotel with 367 parking spaces has been previously approved on the site. The 8.99-acre site is located on the east line of International Centre Drive, approximately 1000 feet north of Audubon Drive on parcels 822-717-4473 and 4415 (part). The zoning is M-1, Light Industrial District and ASO (Airport Safety Overlay) District. County water and sewer. (**Varina**)

Ms. Goggin: A revised plan was just handed out to you that address staff's concern with the proposed architectural elevation by adding additional sections of masonry to the entrance tower on the building. The plans were submitted after the time limit for revised items to be submitted to the Planning Commission agenda; therefore, it will require a time limit waiver.

The applicant is also requesting approval of a special exception to allow a 71-foot-tall building. Forty-five feet is permitted by right in the M-1 District. There are two other hotels adjacent to this one, which have received special exceptions for height. (Referring to rendering). This hotel right here received one in 1997. This hotel, well, they both received them in 2006, but this one is coming back just to be a little bit taller than previously approved. The applicant will need to present their case to the Commission for their request.

There are two additional conditions in your handout Addendum that require verification for the building height for compliance with the special exception should the Commission choose to approve it. The other condition addresses non-POD-approved outdoor storage containers. Both of these conditions were discussed with the Holiday Inn in Short Pump that you all just heard.

Staff recommends approval subject to the annotations on the staff plans, the revised architecturals, conditions 24 through 36 in the agenda, additional conditions 37 and 38 on page 6 in your Addendum, which are inadvertently numbered wrong. Should the Commission choose to approve this special exception, it will require a separate motion from POD approval, as well as the time limit waiver.

I would be happy to answer any questions the Commission may have. Michael Sweeney, representing Omni Hotels, and Chris Early from Timmons are both here to present their request for the special exception and if the Commission has any questions for them.

Mr. Branin: Thank you. Is anyone in opposition of this case? No. Does anyone have any questions for Ms. Goggin?

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Just like to hear from the applicant.

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Mr. Early: Good morning. My name is Chris Early. I'm the project manager from Timmons Group, the engineering firm on this project. It may seem familiar to you because the same location got through POD approval once before and the only change, the fundamental change is this went from a Holiday Inn Select to a Holiday Inn Millennium with a smaller footprint. It was driven by a big drop in construction cost for that. It's only two rooms short from the last hotel. The elevations that I think you're looking at show the applicant's willingness to add stone facing to meet some concerns for aesthetics from staff, to keep the upgrade of the hotel based on what they wanted. Infrastructure-wise, in terms of the site plans and smaller footprint, the hotel did not actually lessen the burden on the utilities, that type of thing, and similar management, the boring stuff that we do wasn't really affected by this. The FAA has approved, once again as in before, that there's no hindrance to the airport being nearby. We went through the same routine with the first submittal. We were actually at the pre-construction meeting before and then we decided this was a better hotel for their budget and it's a nice hotel also. That's sort of the long and short of it. More details. We went from 117,525 square feet down to 90,141 square feet total for the first floor. It is a smaller meeting space, but it still has plenty of meeting room. So, if you have any questions.

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Mr. Branin: Thank you, Mr. Early. Anybody have any questions for Mr. Early?

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1946 1947 Mr. Jernigan: Mike, did you bring that elevation with you? Yes, but you didn't bring the other one that you showed me. That's fine. The one you showed me the other day that had the coloration. I met with Neil Amin, which is P. C.'s son, and Mike, and we were discussing this because normally we like to get a little more brick or stone on the architecturals. But, after seeing, this explains a little better to where the EFIS sits on the outside of this changes a little bit of color as it comes down. They are going to put stone that matches the first floor stone over the entrance that runs up the parapet wall there. It has kind of a Tuscan look to it, and I felt with the trim right down on the front, that protrudes out where, I guess, one of the meeting rooms is through there. I thought being as it has the Tuscan appearance, we would go ahead and do it as they have it here and see how it looks. I think that looks good and I'm satisfied with it.

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1950 Mr. Branin: Okay.

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Mr. Thornton: Gentlemen, I had a few questions I wanted to ask. Sir, you gave the delineation of some different levels of the hotel. Would you be so kind as to repeat that?

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1955 Mr. Early: In terms of the difference in square footage?

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1957 Mr. Thornton: No, not the footage, but yes, I think—

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1959 Mr. Early: They're both Holiday Inns. The difference between the two?

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1961 Mr. Thornton: Yes.

Mr. Early: Yes sir, no problem. We've gone from a Holiday Inn Select to a Holiday Inn Millennium. It still has meeting space. It's a smaller footprint hotel, but only two rooms

shorter than the last hotel. From a site perspective in terms of the design, we were able to easily fit that into the current site plan that was already previously approved. In terms of square footages for the, the architect may speak better than I can.

 Mr. Sweeney: I'm Michael Sweeney. I'm with Shamin Hotels. Not to get hung up on the numbers, but just to clarify. We didn't change, per se, for the square footage difference. It was a change in branding, is really what it amounted to, because Select is not being pushed by the franchise, where this particular brand is. From a marketing standpoint, this is a better route for us to go. It's really not about the square footage; it's more about the branding of it. I wanted to clarify that they are not hung up on the numbers.

Mr. Thornton: I'm appreciative for you answering that. I appreciate that. My second question is, since you all are in this particular enterprise, in your professional opinion, what's the longevity of a hotel such as that?

Mr. Sweeney: As an architect? A hotel like that could, I mean, easily a hundred years, 80 years to a hundred years. It's not built for 10 years to be torn down and franchises require you to go through retrofits every so many years. We're in the business of providing high-quality customer service, so we constantly maintain these buildings.

 Mr. Thornton: I apologize. I think my question was not very clear. Maybe I'm asking the wrong person. I'm more concerned about the persons who build the hotel as to how long will that remain, according to their data, and maybe nobody can tell me this today. How long will that remain a Holiday Inn?

Mr. Sweeney: Well, I think it's safe to say that we're in for the long term. We don't roll hotels over. Do you want to speak? This is P. C. Amin.

Mr. Amin: Hi. My name is P. C. Amin. I just wanted to tell you why we changed the brand. Holiday Inn Select, after we got approval from the County and from Holiday Inn [unintelligible], Holiday Inn Select does not exist anymore. They abandoned that brand, so there was no point for us to build something that they no longer have as a Holiday Inn brand. All the franchises nowadays, they give the license for 10 years. At the end of the 10 years, they can come out and ask us to make major renovations, whatever is applicable 10 years from now. Then we agree that we will go and make those changes at our expense so they will give another 10-year license. Normally, until a few years back, all the franchises were giving out 20-year licenses. Now, they have started doing it only 10 years so that gives them the right to make any changes for upgrading those hotels at about 10 years to reflect the mood at that time, whatever the customer is asking for or whatever structure changes, or inside. So, it will look like a new hotel 10 years later. It is a 10-year license that we have.

Mr. Thornton: I thank you so very much. That clearly answered my question. Thank you.

Mr. Branin: Mr. Armin, since he asked that question, I have a question for you. How many of these franchises do you currently own?

Mr. Amin: I have, existing, 24. 2010

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Twenty-four. How many of those 24 have reached the 10-year or the end of Mr. Branin: 2012

the franchise mark? 2013

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I think two of them. 2015 Mr. Amin:

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2017 Mr. Branin: Two of them? Did you renew them with Holiday Inn?

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2019 Mr. Amin: Yes. Well, in the old franchise agreement, they were for 20 years. Now, they are coming out, this new franchise agreement that we are building, we are building about 12 2020

2021 hotels. Holiday Inn is the only one which has changed from 20 year to 10 years.

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2023 Mr. Branin: In 10 years, do you plan to renew it as the Holiday Inn?

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2025 Mr. Amin: Yes, [unintelligible]. It's a premium brand and we want to keep that.

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2027 Mr. Branin: Okay. That's all I wanted to know.

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2029 Mr. Silber: Mr. Amin, the County has been seeing a large number of hotels planned and plans submitted to the County for consideration. We've seen the numbers increase over the last 6 2030 to 8 months, the past 12 months, perhaps. You can see from today's agenda we have a number of 2031 hotels on our agenda. Can you elaborate as to what may be happening in the market relative to the 2032 2033 need for hotels?

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Mr. Amin: I'm not exactly an expert on market, but this is what we do. We go after the premier brand, which are Homewood Suites, Marriott, Holiday Inn, and Hilton. It doesn't matter what happens to the market, these brands always perform well. You probably will hardly ever see any of these; this brand went out of business, and is converting to something else. All of our brands are [unintelligible] either with Homewood Suites, Marriott, or Holiday Inn. Also, if you look back, I came to Richmond in 1970 and for almost 10, 15 years, except for one or two hotels, nothing was built in the Richmond market. So, the market was really never well [unintelligible] by quality hotels. If you look at the airport, there are so many old hotels and many of the places in Richmond, there are many, many old hotels. So, new hotels are not necessarily going to generate a lot more new demand, but the existing demand has never been met by the old hotel. People will prefer to just cut their trip short and go back when they have to go back. Once this new hotel comes, I think chances are people will stay a little bit longer here. Some of the old hotels probably will go out of business. Hotels are 40 years old. They really do not meet expectations of the guests of today. That is why as long as there are not enough hotels, those hotels will be there, but as new hotels come into the market—I had one hotel. The first one that I bought, it was 20 years old. Then I tore down about three years ago. It was about 50 years old. It was still performing very good financially, but it was pretty outdated and it was not fitting our portfolio. I think a lot of hotels will eventually go out of the business and something better will happen, because they are at prime locations. I'm talking about old hotels.

2055 It looks like that there are many hotels coming to Richmond, but Richmond is really behind

Norfolk or Virginia Beach or Baltimore or Washington. In Washington, right now probably about 2056

60, 80 hotels are being built. We are also trying to build more hotels. Richmond really has not 2057

picked up the supply yet. 2058

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Mr. Branin: Thank you. Does anybody else have any other questions? 2060

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2062 Mr. Jernigan: I just want to clear up one thing. Mr. Thornton was asking about how many

2063 had come around. He owns more than Holiday Inns. He also owns Homewood Suites and some

- other hotels on Airport Drive. They are not all Holiday Inns. What he's speaking of also, the 2064
- Holiday Inn that we did have on Williamsburg Road, they opted not to do the renovation that 2065
- Holiday Inn wanted them to do and that's the reason that the Clarion came in and took that over. 2066
- Now, I've found out that Clarion wouldn't accept the outside rooms, so we have two hotels in the 2067
- same structure. The Clarion takes care of all the inside rooms, and Red Roof Inn is in control of the 2068

outside rooms. 2069

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2071 Mr. Vanarsdall: The one on Williamsburg Road is not a Holiday Inn anymore, is it?

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- That's the one I was just talking about. That went to a Clarion for the 2073 Mr. Jernigan:
- 2074 internal rooms and a Red Roof for the external rooms. They have two offices, two hotels in the
- same building. Mr. Amin also has a Hilton that has a conference center that's going to be coming 2075
- next to this hotel on Airport Drive. All right. Well, I'm ready to make a motion. First thing, I'd like 2076
- to waive the time limits on POD-4-07. 2077

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2079 Mr. Vanarsdall: Second.

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- 2081 Mr. Branin: Motion made by Mr. Jernigan, seconded by Mr. Vanarsdall. All in favor?
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2084 Randy, can we do the special exception separate or all together. Mr. Jernigan:

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2086 Mr. Silber: It can be done together or separate.

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- 2088 Mr. Jernigan: Okay. With that, I will move for approval for the special exception and the
- 2089 Plan of Development on POD-4-07, International Airport Center on International Center Drive,
- subject to the annotations on the plans, the standard conditions for developments for this type, and 2090
- 2091 the following additional conditions numbers 24 through 36, and number 37 and number 38 added
- on the addendum. 2092

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2094 Mr. Vanarsdall: Second.

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- 2096 Mr. Branin: Motion made by Mr. Jernigan, seconded by Mr. Vanarsdall. All in favor say
- aye. All opposed say no. The motion carries. 2097

- The Planning Commission approved POD-4-07, International Airport Center on International Center Drive, subject to the annotations on the plans, the standard conditions attached to these minutes for developments of this type, and the following additional conditions:
- The easements for drainage and utilities as shown on approved plans shall be granted to the County in a form acceptable to the County Attorney prior to any occupancy permits being issued. The easement plats and any other required information shall be submitted to the County Real Property Agent at least sixty (60) days prior to requesting occupancy permits.
- 2108 25. The developer shall provide fire hydrants as required by the Department of Public Utilities and Division of Fire.
- 2110 26. Outside storage shall not be permitted.
- 27. Any necessary off-site drainage and/or water and sewer easements must be obtained in a form acceptable to the County Attorney prior to final approval of the construction plans.
- Deviations from County standards for pavement, curb or curb and gutter design shall be approved by the County Engineer prior to final approval of the construction plans by the Department of Public Works.
- 29. The loading areas shall be subject to the requirements of Chapter 24, Section 24-97(b) of the Henrico County Code.
- 2118 30. Insurance Services Office (ISO) calculations must be included with the plans and contracts and must be approved by the Department of Public Utilities prior to the issuance of a building permit.
- Approval of the construction plans by the Department of Public Works does not establish the curb and gutter elevations along the Henrico County maintained right-of-way. The elevations will be set by Henrico County.
- Evidence of a joint ingress/egress and maintenance agreement must be submitted to the Department of Planning and approved prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy for this development.
- The location of all existing and proposed utility and mechanical equipment (including HVAC units, electric meters, junction and accessory boxes, transformers, and generators) shall be identified on the landscape plans. All equipment shall be screened by such measures as determined appropriate by the Director of Planning or the Planning Commission at the time of plan approval.
- 2132 34. Provide a letter which demonstrates the hotel owner's experience that the 8% parking reduction from the required Code would not create a parking problem.
- There shall be no exterior signage or other means of advertising that identifies the presence of food service at these facilities.
- Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Form 7460-1 shall be submitted to the FAA and proof of such approval shall be provided to the Planning Department prior to approval of any building permit application.
- 2139 37. The location of outdoor storage containers on the site is prohibited.
- Evidence that an engineer has certified the height of the building shall be provided to the Director of Planning prior to the issuance of a certificate of occupancy.

#### PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT

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#### POD-2-07

Panera Bread & Retail Shops

– Staples Mill Road and
Parham Road

#### VHB, Inc. for Dynamic Commercial Real Estate Advisors:

Request for approval of a plan of development, as required by Chapter 24, Section 24-106 of the Henrico County Code, to construct a one-story, 12,630 square foot building with retail and restaurant uses. The 1.63-acre site is located at the northwest intersection of Staples Mill Road and Parham Road on parcels 769-755-9242 and 7448. The zoning is B-2C, Business District (Conditional) and O-2C, Office District (Conditional). County water and sewer. (**Brookland**)

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2146 Mr. Branin: Is anybody in opposition? No?

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2148 Mr. Jernigan: Yes, you have opposition.

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2150 Mr. Branin: Yes? One.

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2152 [Off mike]: [Unintelligible.]

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2154 Mr. Branin: Okay. Hopefully we'll address that. All right. Mr. Kennedy.

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- The applicant has submitted a revised site plan that 2156 Mr. Kennedy: Good morning. 2157 addresses staff's previous concerns regarding circulation loading and parking layout. The applicant has also submitted a complete elevation plan, which complies with the proffered elevations. Staff 2158 is prepared to recommend approval at this time, subject to the annotations on the plans, standard 2159 conditions for a development of this type, the conditions on the agenda, and additional condition 2160 number 41 that speaks to a proffer which requires posting of a bond for a wall on an adjoining 2161 property. Staff is recommending approval at this time with that added condition. We need to 2162
- waive time limits because the plans were submitted late.

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2165 Mr. Branin: Okay. Anybody have any questions for Mr. Kennedy?

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2167 Mr. Vanarsdall: I've already asked him a dozen, so I don't need to ask him anything else.

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2169 Mr. Branin: You sure?

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- 2171 Mr. Jernigan: I have one, just for my information. Number 41. Why do you have to post a
- bond if they wouldn't be able to get a CO at the end of it?

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- 2174 Mr. Kennedy: The proffers require it. Basically, the adjoining property is zoned residential
- and is undeveloped and ordinarily would require a transitional buffer. A masonry wall was
- proffered to satisfy that. If the property is developed residentially, they would have to provide the wall. It provides that they could post the bond because it's contingent that the adjoining property
- wall. It provides that they could post the bond because it is contained that the dejoining property would be regard. If it got rezoned to a business, it would be require a transitional buffer or the
- wall. It gives the developer some kind of leeway.

2181 2182	Mr. Jernigan: would have to be—	I just know they couldn't get a CO because the proffer said that the wall
2183 2184 2185	Mr. Kennedy:	The proffer is kind of repeating it.
2186 2187	Mr. Jernigan:	Okay.
2188 2189	Mr. Vanarsdall:	The proffer also says a letter of credit.
2190 2191	Mr. Kennedy:	Right.
2192 2193	Mr. Branin:	Does the Commission want to hear from the applicant?
2194 2195	Mr. Vanarsdall:	I want to hear from the applicant, yes.
2196 2197	Mr. Chapman:	I'm Scott Chapman with VHB, civil engineer.
2198 2199	Mr. Bushey:	Rick Bushey with Dynamic Commercial Real Estate Advisors.
2200 2201 2202	Mr. Vanarsdall: Good to see you again. You can just run down what you're going to do. In addition to Panera Bread, is Starbucks going to come, or if they're holding out or	
2203 2204	Mr. Bushey:	Yes sir, they've signed their lease finally.
2205 2206 2207	Mr. Vanarsdall: about Starbucks in th	I noticed in all the information we have it said retail. I know we talked e beginning, so that's good.
2208 2209 2210	Mr. Chapman: Starbucks has come of	We've known about Panera Bread for some time, but, as Rick said, on board and they will be on the end cap.
2210 2211 2212 2213	Mr. Vanarsdall: be there.	What about the third building? It was rumored that FedEx/Kinko's would
2214 2215	Mr. Chapman:	FedEx has passed.
2216 2217	Mr. Silber:	I may have missed it, but can you identify each of yourselves please.
2218 2219	Mr. Chapman:	Sure. Mr. Silber, I'm Scott Chapman with VHB, civil engineer.
2220 2221 2222	Mr. Bushey: developer.	I'm Rick Bushey with Dynamic Commercial Real Estate Advisors. I'm the
2223 2224	Mr. Vanarsdall:	We've been looking forward to it. When are you going to start, next month?
2225	Mr. Chapman:	As soon as the plan is approved.

2227 Mr. Vanarsdall: I don't have any more questions.

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2229 Mr. Jernigan: Well Scott, I do, the gentleman in the back. If you could answer now about

water. 2230

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- 2232 Mr. Chapman: Water is provided from Staples Mill Road. There's a 12-inch main that exists along that property that will adequately serve this site. We've been through one set of 2233 reviews, obviously, with the Department of Public Utilities. They're asked for some changes but 2234 2235 there's been no suggestion that that system will not serve our site. In fact, the data they've provided to us shows that it will serve our site adequately. Sanitary sewer is an obstacle, but it's an 2236 obstacle that we're going to have to overcome with cost. We're going to have to go under Parham 2237 2238 Road and pick up our sanitary sewer from across the street. That will require a jack and bore for

2239 this property, which is just a cost item. It's not a design issue or anything like that.

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2241 Right turn lanes will be provided both on Staples Mill Road and Parham Road. These have been 2242 designed and submitted preliminarily to both the County Department of Transportation and the Virginia Department of Transportation. Obviously, we don't have final approval, but we are 2243 working through those details 2244

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2246 Mr. Vanarsdall: Come on down and identify yourself and see if you can work it out with him. 2247

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Mr. Robertson: I'm Wayne Robertson, the 9.59 acres that you're putting the wall by. Has 2249 there got to be additional property purchased to make the turn lane? Nobody's come to me about 2250 anything. The 12-inch water main, I had put onto the 54 trunk line, the County constructed across 2251 my property after I negotiated with Jack Burns, reduced the amount of money that I took for the 2252 2253 easement, which allowed us to control the 12-inch waterline. I haven't heard anything from you all 2254 about how you're going to get the water across my property.

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2256 Based on County records and survey, the 12-inch waterline extends down Mr. Chapman: 2257 just beyond our entrance -

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2259 Mr. Robertson: Twenty feet.

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2261 Mr. Chapman: —into our site. We can do further research, but there's nothing that would-2262

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- Mr. Robertson: Coming from west? 2264
- Mr. Chapman: From Staples Mill Road. Yes sir. 2265

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2267 Mr. Robertson: It stops- Do you know where the trunk line goes through under the power 2268 lines?

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2270 Mmm-hmm. Mr. Chapman:

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2272 Mr. Robertson: I had 20 feet of 12-inch put in. That's as far as it goes.

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2274	Mr. Chapman:	Okay. According to County records and our survey, which we've done, the			
2275	12-inch line extend	ds through, so we'll have to do some further research on that. I don't believe			
2276	that's an issue, but we'll work with you on that.				
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2278	Mr. Robertson:	You all are not going to put another turn lane in?			
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2280	Mr. Chapman:	We are going to have to put in another turn lane on Staples Mill Road, yes			
2281	sir.				
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2283	Mr. Robertson:	How are you going to get the property for that?			
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2285	Mr. Chapman:	We are not. The County has worked with us so that the turn lane will not			
2286	cause us to need an	ny additional property from your land. We are having to dedicate property both			
2287	on Staples Mill and	l Parham in our property for turn lanes.			
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2289	Mr. Robertson:	So, it's going to be a short one, then.			
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2291	Mr. Chapman:	Yes sir, it will be.			
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2293	Mr. Robertson:	The surveyors, they told me originally it was going to go back up to the			
2294	power lines.				
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2296	Mr. Chapman:	I think probably at the time we may have assumed there may have been			
2297	issues like that, but we were able to work those out with Mr. Vanarsdall and Mr. Glover.				
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2299	Mr. Vanarsdall:	That's all been changed.			
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2301	Mr. Silber:	We're going to put the site plan up so you can show where that right turn			
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2304	Mr. Robertson:	I would like to see the detail too.			
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2306	Mr. Chapman:	You can see the right turn lane on Staples Mill there and you can see how			
2307	we are ending the curve lines just before your property. I assume that this is your property. You				

see the right turn lane on Parham. Both of these require right-of-way dedication and we'll make those dedications. 2309

2311 Yes sir, it's all been surveyed. It's all been surveyed. We're not designing 2312 Mr. Chapman: this in the dark. We've done the survey, we've picked up the monumentation, and we are 2313

designing to that monumentation to stay off of your property. Okay? 2314

VDOT is only a foot off.

I was amazed. Originally, Mr. Glover thought it was going to be a whole 2316 Mr. Robertson: lane coming off as far back as the power line. 2317 2318

Mr. Robertson:

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- 2319 Mr. Chapman: I think that's what Mr. Glover would like to see, but the development would
- 2320 need to occur on your property for something like that to happen. There may be some negotiations
- in the future when that is developed to extend that lane, but we can't design for that with this site.

2323 Mr. Roberson: You're going to bore sewer under.

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2325 Mr. Chapman: Yes sir.

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2327 Mr. Robertson: You're going to take water across my property.

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2329 Mr. Chapman: I'm going to look into that. You've got me a little worried, but I think we're

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- 2332 Mr. Silber: Mr. Chapman and Mr. Robertson, maybe what we can do is, these are good
- 2333 questions, but it really doesn't have anything to do with the Planning Commission's decision. Why
- don't you all get together and talk about this.

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2336 Mr. Vanarsdall: Scott, you know him, don't you, Mr. Robertson?

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2338 Mr. Chapman: I do now.

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2340 [Laughter.]

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2342 Mr. Vanarsdall: Get his name, rank, and serial number and phone number.

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2344 Mr. Chapman: That's what we'll do. We'll trade.

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2346 Mr. Vanarsdall: You all get together and we'll work it out.

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2348 Mr. Chapman: Thank you.

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2350 Mr. Branin: Anybody else have any other questions? None? Mr. Vanarsdall.

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- 2352 Mr. Vanarsdall: All right. I recommend that we approve POD-2-07, Panera Bread and
- 2353 Retail Shops, which I hope will be Starbucks also, with annotations on the plans, and conditions of
- developments of this type. We'll have No. 9 amended, No. 11 amended. We have 24 through 40,
- 2355 and 41 is added on the addendum. Change No. 31. It says, "The proffers approved as a part of
- zoning case C-02C-06." That was a typographical error. It should be "C-62-06."

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2358 Mr. Branin: Anyone want to second? Ray?

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2360 Mrs. Jones: Second.

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- 2362 Mr. Branin: Motion made by Mr. Vanarsdall, seconded by Mrs. Jones. All in favor say
- 2363 aye. All opposed say no. Motion carries.

2365 Mr. Silber: Mr. Kennedy, was there a need to waive the time limits?

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2367 Mr. Kennedy: Yes.

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Mr. Vanarsdall: I'm sorry. It says at the bottom I have to waive the time limits and Mike was good enough to put it on there. I move that the time limits be waive on POD-2-07.

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2372 Mrs. Jones: Second.

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Mr. Branin: Motion made by Mr. Vanarsdall, seconded by Mrs. Jones. All in favor?
All opposed. Time limits are waived.

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The Planning Commission approved POD-2-07, Panera Bread and Retail Shops, subject to the standard conditions for developments of this type, annotations on the plans, and the additional conditions listed below:

- 2381 9. **AMENDED** A detailed landscaping plan shall be submitted to the Department of Planning for review and Planning Commission approval prior to the issuance of any occupancy permits.
- 2384 11. **AMENDED** Prior to the installation of the site lighting equipment, a plan including depictions of light spread and intensity diagrams, and fixture and specifications and mounting height details shall be submitted for Department of Planning review and Planning Commission approval.
- The right-of-way for widening of Staples Mill Road (Route 33) and Parham Road (Route 73) as shown on approved plans shall be dedicated to the County prior to any occupancy permits being issued. The right-of-way dedication plat and any other required information shall be submitted to the County Real Property Agent at least sixty (60) days prior to requesting occupancy permits.
- The easements for drainage and utilities as shown on approved plans shall be granted to the County in a form acceptable to the County Attorney prior to any occupancy permits being issued. The easement plats and any other required information shall be submitted to the County Real Property Agent at least sixty (60) days prior to requesting occupancy permits.
- 2398 26. The entrances and drainage facilities on Staples Mill Road (Route 33) and Parham Road (Route 73) shall be approved by the Virginia Department of Transportation and the County.
- 27. A notice of completion form, certifying that the requirements of the Virginia Department of Transportation entrances permit have been completed, shall be submitted to the Department of Planning prior to any occupancy permits being issued.
- 2404 28. The developer shall provide fire hydrants as required by the Department of Public Utilities and Division of Fire.
- 2406 29. A standard concrete sidewalk shall be provided along the north side of Parham Road and the west side of Staples Mill Road.
- 2408 30. Outside storage shall not be permitted.
- 2409 31. The proffers approved as a part of zoning case C-62C-06 shall be incorporated in this approval.

- 2411 32. Prior to issuance of a building permit, the developer must furnish a letter from **Verizon** stating that this proposed development does not conflict with their facilities.
- Any necessary off-site drainage and/or water and sewer easements must be obtained in a form acceptable to the County Attorney prior to final approval of the construction plans.
- Deviations from County standards for pavement, curb or curb and gutter design shall be approved by the County Engineer prior to final approval of the construction plans by the Department of Public Works.
- 2418 35. In the event of any traffic backup which blocks the public right-of-way as a result of congestion caused by the drive-up facilities, the owner/occupant shall close the drive-up facilities until a solution can be designed to prevent traffic backup.
- 2421 36. Storm water retention, based on the 50-10 concept, shall be incorporated into the drainage plans.
- 2423 37. Insurance Services Office (ISO) calculations must be included with the plans and contracts and must be approved by the Department of Public Utilities prior to the issuance of a building permit.
- Approval of the construction plans by the Department of Public Works does not establish the curb and gutter elevations along the Virginia Department of Transportation maintained right-of-way. The elevations will be set by the contractor and approved by the Virginia Department of Transportation.
- Evidence of a joint ingress/egress and maintenance agreement must be submitted to the Department of Planning and approved prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy for this development.
- 2433 40. The location of all existing and proposed utility and mechanical equipment (including HVAC units, electric meters, junction and accessory boxes, transformers, and generators) shall be identified on the landscape plans. All equipment shall be screened by such measures as determined appropriate by the Director of Planning or the Planning Commission at the time of plan approval.
- 2438 41. The applicant shall submit a bond in accordance with Proffer Number 1. c. of Zoning Case Number C-62C-06, prior to final approval of construction plans.

# MR. BRANIN LEAVES DURING THIS CASE & MR. JERNIGAN PRESIDES OVER THE MEETING

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### PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT

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POD-3-07 Country Inn & Suites (POD-110-83 Revised) 8006 W. Broad Street **Dean E. Haskins, ASLA for YSJ, LLC and Monument Hospitality, LLC:** Request for approval of a plan of development as required by Chapter 24, Section 24-106 of the Henrico County Code, to construct a three-story, 43,854 square foot, 74-room hotel. The 1.33-acre site is a portion of the total 2.871 acre site and located in the rear of 8006 W. Broad Street (U.S. Route 250) adjacent to Schrader Road, approximately 900 feet northwest of the intersection of Schrader and Hungary Spring Roads on part of parcel 764-752-4572. The zoning is B-3C, Business District (Conditional). County water and sewer. (**Brookland**)

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Mr. Branin: Anyone in opposition to POD-3-07? No? Tony?

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Mr. Greulich: Mr. Chairman, Planning Commission. Staff has concerns about both the layout and the appearance of the proposed hotel. Staff requested that the dumpster, shown here, be relocated so that it does not back up onto Schrader Road. The applicant requested that it remain in its proposed location and agreed to provide additional landscaping around it. Staff has also requested that the applicant provide additional architectural treatments and features to the building. Staff has researched other existing Country Inn and Suites throughout the country and believes that other features can be added to this site. All three examples that I will show you today are similar three-story buildings, but they have attractive enhancements that should be incorporated into this proposal.

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This picture is from South Carolina and has additional bump-outs on the side, which you can see over here (referring to screen); shutters on the majority of the windows, which you can see over here; and also has varying rooflines, which you can see up here and these features along there.

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This picture is from Michigan. Although difficult to see, it shows the front of the building, which is this, that appears to be approximately 75% brick, if not more. It also appears to have several bump-outs, which you can see here and also over on this side. Again, it also has the varying rooflines.

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Finally, this picture is from Arizona and also has the additional bump-outs that the other hotels have, here and here; has arches above the ground-floor windows; and also has quions, which are these corner architectural features in the bump-outs.

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These architectural features aside, there is also the issue of the amount of brick that is proposed. A precedent has already been established in the immediate area regarding the amount of brick used for new buildings. This hotel is to the north of the proposed hotel. As you can see, it's roughly 100% brick. That's another view of it. This hotel is to the south of the proposed hotel

and is roughly about 60% to 70% brick. Finally, these buildings are just across Schrader Road and are at least 80% brick, with these smaller buildings being 100% brick. 2476

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All of these enhancements could be incorporated into the proposed architectural elevations. Staff has also requested on several occasions to see a color elevation and received one this morning. Staff has not had an opportunity to review this. Should the Commission choose to act on this proposal, then staff could recommend approval, subject to the annotations on the plans, the standard conditions for development of this type, and additional conditions 24 through 37 as stated in the packet. The Commission would also have to vote on whether or not to waive the time limits to accept the late submittal of the architectural elevation. Staff and representatives of the applicant are available to answer any questions that you may have. Thank you.

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2487 Mr. Greulich, may I see the color elevation that you received this Mrs. Jones: morning? 2488

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2490 Mr. Greulich: Sure, absolutely. It's a little difficult to read from this. I can tell you that the red color is basically brick, the light brown is EIFS. The roof is standing seam metal and 2491 there are white pickets around the entranceway. Also, it looks like there are quions on some of 2492 the sides. 2493

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Mrs. Jones: 2495 Okay.

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2497 Mr. Vanarsdall: When did you see that?

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2499 Mr. Greulich: Just this morning, sir.

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2501 Mr. Vanarsdall: Thank you.

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Mrs. Jones: Thank you. 2503

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2505 Mr. Greulich: You're welcome.

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2507 Mr. Vanarsdall: I'd like to hear from the applicant.

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Mr. Hawkins: I'm Dean Hawkins, landscape architect for this project. concentrated on two issues that have been raised here. The architectural elevations have been changed, as well as I'd like to discuss the dumpster location, if you wish. This hotel chain usually has more of a residential appearance than most. As you can see, the peaked roof and the siding look more of a residential character than say the adjacent hotel that is entirely brick and The standard prototype of this hotel does have brick on the finished, the first finished floor all the way around, and we have added brick into the second story, of course, with the Dryvit and the details that that would have about it. We would prefer to have something like this rather than more brick, not so much for the cost differential, but simply because of the residential character that this chain does promote. We are offering to go up into the second story vertically and break up the long line of the hotel front. We do have some bump-outs, as you say, on our

plan. They don't show it very well here. We have them on the end where the brick goes vertical, and then the front portico is quite detailed with some different elevation changes in that area.

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The second thought on the dumpster, and we can look at the site plan, maybe, to see this in better detail. I have located the dumpster next to Schrader Road mainly because of the way that this site has been developed over the past. We are occupying a portion of the site which is vacant, but we're also taking some parking from the existing development which has been allocated previously to the existing retail building, which was a restaurant. They needed much more parking at that time. Currently, it's an office/retail building, which they really don't need but a third of the parking that they have still.

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We are planning to separate the property into two parcels. The property line that we're configuring goes vertically from the road here, straight down the middle of the drive aisle, down to the bottom of the site next to the Suburban Lodge. We will own from this point over to Schrader Road and we'll have a common access easement through here, leaving them plenty of parking for their retail building. If I had to move the dumpster from this location, the only place that I can see that I would have an opportunity to place it would be somewhere in this area. I wouldn't want my dumpster truck to have to go under the canopy, even though it's 14 feet high and it accommodate it. If I put the dumpster in this location, it would change the parking numbers that I have allocated to my site and we would lose some spaces and have to reconfigure the parking more over this imaginary line into this area to accommodate our parking numbers. The dumpster pad that I'm showing is in an area that is away from, as much as possible, the Suburban Lodge right here (referring to screen). As well, I'm encompassing it within a brick wall, and I will add the extra landscaping that we talked about. I feel that from an activity standpoint, this is a better location then putting it anywhere else on the site that I can see at this time. It would be away from visibility as much as possible from adjacent tenants of the hotel. The doors would be far away from the adjacent perimeter roads. If somebody would ride around there, they would not see that activity.

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Basically, those are the things that I can offer at this time. I'd be willing to certainly answer your questions. We've had some discussions even over the weekend on the architecturals and this other issue about the dumpster. I tried to make some changes as I could.

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Mrs. Jones: May I ask about the rooflines, windows, other features that seem to be very appealing? You're phrase is, "residential appearance." Of course, those are all features that are important in residential settings. Do you feel that you have the ability to add some of these things realistically?

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Mr. Hawkins: That's a good example of some other places. As you can see again, this prototype has the brick on the first floor only with vinyl siding above it. We're proposing brick or dryvit, which is a little more commercial, which blends well with this area. What I was speaking of is that, as you can see, the canopy and the porch that's on the front of all of these County Inns and Suites is a little more residential, a little Victorian, I guess you could say. We do try to keep that motif. This one, for instance, doesn't have shutters. Another one that you might have seen does. Those details are easy to add and are not a big issue. Those shutters are certainly easy to add and it's not an issue with us one way or another.

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2567	Mrs. Jones:	The huge expanse of the seam roof, is there a way to make that a little	
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2570	Mr. Hawkins:	It doesn't show up on our elevation, but on my site plan, there is a bump-	
2571	out there on the end.	It may not be as broken up as this one may show, but it's a possibility to do	
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2573	a lot of room front to back to make those big changes because of the configuration of the site.		
2574	As I say, we are right at the number of parking spaces we have. We do have some room to play		
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2577	Mr. Vanarsdall:	Can you flip back to the other drawing there to the color rendering? I	
2578	can't tell what that color is. I don't particularly like the green roof with it. As a matter of fact,		
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2583	Mr. Vanarsdall:	I can't guess how much brick that is, whether it's 75%, 50%, 40%. I	
2584	notice that Tony has suggested a lot of amenities there that you didn't incorporate. I don't know		
2585	why you can't change the dumpster. What I'd like for you to do is defer this for 30 days and we		
2586	sit down and get together. I want you to tell me what you will do and what you won't, and I'll tell you what I'll accept and what I won't. We should have done that in the beginning.		
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Mr. Vanarsdall: 2591

Is that all right with you?

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Mr. Hawkins: Yes sir. 2593

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Mr. Vanarsdall: 2595 All right.

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2597 Mr. Archer: May I just interject one thing? In looking at this particular rendering and comparing it with the ones we were shown from around the country, I notice that A-frame 2598 structure in the front seems to be rather plain. In some of the other ones, there's some white trim 2599 2600 around the top soffit or fascia or whatever you call it. Could some of that be incorporated? I think it would make a better appearance than just having that sort of bland— 2601

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2603 Mr. Hawkins: I think in this case, if we're trying to look at what we have proposed today, this is not the total picture. What you're seeing is just the portico underneath the canopy. 2604 The canopy where people will drive under is in front of what you see there. 2605

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2607 Mr. Vanarsdall: In answer to Mr. Archer, I thought the same thing, Mr. Archer. I notice that you keep saying this is sort of residential when you're not in a residential area. 2608

Mr. Hawkins: All I'm saying is the prototype is more residential. 2609

2611 Mr. Vanarsdall: There's a residential subdivision across Schrader Road behind a nine-foot

brick fence. All those other places are all commercial. Did you want to say something, Amir?

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2614 Mr. Hawkins: I'd like to introduce Amir Patel. He is the owner of Monument

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2617 Mr. Vanarsdall: Thank you.

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Mr. Patel: How are you all today. My name is Amir Patel. I appreciate your time. I do understand your concerns, Mr. Vanarsdall. I'd like to start by apologizing for bringing this to you this morning. You are 100% correct. I just got the e-mail from Dean. I was out of town on Saturday. I got the e-mail Sunday, called the architect, who is also the builder, most likely, and started pushing him to do something to show you that I'm not just sitting on what you told us to do. I wanted to bring something here to show you exactly what we can do, what we're willing to do to try to make this better. Dean was 100% correct and the reason is not a cost standpoint at all. It's basically from what Hilton Hotels, what Marriott Hotels, what Mr. Amin from Shamin Hotels is doing, in putting more of the brick base on the bottom. I've brought some examples of what we would be building, what it would look like. I'll show you that in a second. What Dean is saying by "residential look," it's more in the sense of Country Inn and Suites as a brand has to try to brand itself. It's based out of Minneapolis. A lot of franchises based out of there have tried to have that sort of appeal. What it is, inside there's a lot of craftsmanship done, a lot of woodwork on the inside. When you walk in, there's a whole sofa/lounge area with a fireplace, a staircase going up, a wooden staircase with a lot of detailed work going up to the second floor to give it that type of a feel. The reason why they're doing the porch as well is to give it that type of a feel. I agree with you 100% for a commercial property to look like a residential property is not what we're trying to do here at all. It's just from a perspective standpoint of what kind of feel we're trying to give to the customer. The market that we're competing in is directly with Hampton Inn, with the Fairfield Inns, with the Holiday Inn Express out there, which are other flags that we do currently own and operate.

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2643 2644 I would like to, if you guys could take a second, show you some of the pictures that I've gotten from the corporate office of what we're trying to develop, and incorporate some of these additional changes that you guys are requesting into this so it doesn't look like this. I agree with you, this doesn't look that great. It's just the best thing I could get together starting from Sunday to bring here, to have something to kind of present to you.

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Mr. Vanarsdall: We don't object to you doing that, Amir, but that doesn't help me any.

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2649 Mr. Patel: You're right.

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Mr. Vanarsdall: To keep on looking at pretty pictures, because we had plenty that you could have gone by before.

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2654 Mr. Patel: Yes sir.

2655 Mr. Vanarsdall: Here's what I tried to do. I have these pictures here that he just showed. I

tried to encourage you to make it look like that corridor across there. There's nine acres across

- the street, the orthopaedics, two more buildings and on down toward the police headquarters. I
- always want to raise the bar, or keep it, in anything we do in my district. I don't like what I see.
- You know that you have to put more brick in there and I'd like to have a rendering that shows
- 2660 what it looks like. Nowhere else in Richmond do you have one of these except in Southside, and
- that is not brick at all; I went over and looked at that. So, where is one nearer to this? Is there
- one in Petersburg, Williamsburg?

2664 Mr. Patel: No sir.

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2666 Mr. Vanarsdall: That would look like what you're trying to do here.

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- 2668 Mr. Patel: There's one that just opened in the Hampton Roads area, which has just
- basically opened two months ago.

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2671 Mr. Vanarsdall: That looks like what you're trying to do here?

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2673 Mr. Patel: Yes sir.

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2675 Mr. Vanarsdall: Where is that in Hampton?

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2677 Mr. Patel: I'm not sure. It's in the Newport News area.

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2679 Mr. Vanarsdall: Newport News.

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- 2681 Mr. Patel: Yes sir, before you get to the beach area. I'm not 100% sure of what exit
- is near it.

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2684 Mr. Vanarsdall: Is it up and running and finished?

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- 2686 Mr. Patel: Yes sir. That's kind of like some of the prototypes that I brought here to
- also show you guys. I agree with you, we don't want to do anything to degrade the area. If
- anything, the reason why we're building there is because we feel the area's in a developmental
- 2689 phase. The reason why we're putting that hotel there versus say in the West End or what have
- you, is because there's a lot of old inventory right there that does fairly decent. We're trying to
- provide with the new Wyndham, with Phillip Morris, with more corporations coming to that
- area, something new in the middle of this old inventory.

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Mr. Vanarsdall: That's good. That's good and I want to help you have something attractive for them to come there.

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2697 Mr. Patel: Yes sir.

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- 2699 Mr. Vanarsdall: Dean has agreed to a 30-day deferral.
- 2700 Mr. Patel: Okay.

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2702 Mr. Vanarsdall: I want to get together with him and with you.

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2706 Mr. Vanarsdall: And, of course, Tony. We'll decide what we need there.

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2708 Mr. Patel: Whatever feedback we get from you, we'll take it positively and do that.

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2710 Mr. Vanarsdall: Thank you. I appreciate your understanding.

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2712 Mr. Patel: Thank you, sir. I appreciate your time.

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Mr. Vanarsdall: Mr. Chairman, with that, I move that POD-3-07 be deferred to the 28<sup>th</sup> of

2715 February, at the applicant's request.

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2717 Mrs. Jones: Second.

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2719 Mr. Jernigan: We have a motion on the floor by Mr. Vanarsdall and seconded by Mr.

Jones. All in favor say aye. Opposed? The ayes have it; the motion has passed.

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The Planning Commission deferred POD-3-07, Country Inn and Suites, to the February 28, 2007 meeting, at the applicant's request. Mr. Branin was absent.

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PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT – ARCHITECTURALS (Buildings A1, A2, A3, A11 and P1)

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POD-42-06 West Broad Village – W. Broad St./Three Chopt Road Timmons Group and Antunovich Associates for West Broad Village, LLS, West Broad Village II, LLC and Unicorp National Developments, Inc.: Request for approval of architectural plans, as required by Chapter 24, Section 24-106 of the Henrico County Code, to construct a two-story, 59,032 square foot retail/office building (A11), a five-story, 80,365 square foot retail/residential building with 48 dwelling units (A1), a five-story, 154,672 square foot retail/residential building with 84 dwelling units (A2, A3), and a four-level, 418 space, parking garage (P1) in an urban mixed use development. The 115.04-acre site is located along the south line of W. Broad Street (U. S. Route 250), the north line of Three Chopt Road, and the east line of the future John Rolfe Parkway on parcel 742-760-7866. The zoning is UMUC, Urban Mixed Use District (Conditional) and WBSO, West Broad Street Overlay District. County water and sewer. (Three Chopt)

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Mr. Jernigan: Do we have any opposition in the audience to case POD-42-06? No opposition. Mr. Wilhite, how are you?

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Mr. Wilhite: I am fine. Thank you, sir. The image of the two-story building, the location is here (referring to screen), show on the site layout. This is on the south side of the

main east/west road through the development. Visibility from Broad Street of this façade here is probably going to be very limited. There are going to be large buildings in front of it. It is at the end of a private street coming off of Broad Street; however, there would be a lot of median landscaping within that corridor so the view from Broad Street of this building is probably going to be very limited. Staff has reviewed the plans. We are okay with the design shown.

 The larger group of buildings before you, the concept is essentially the same as we saw last month. It's a grouping of mixed-use buildings, retail, restaurant, office, and residential buildings, plus a parking garage in the interior. The mixed-use portion is going to be along the west, south, and east portions of this block. The parking garage is in the center. It has a storefront façade very similar to what we saw last month. It is the portion of the building that faces W. Broad Street. The issues that were identified last month, they're essentially the same here. We have annotated the plan to request some variation in the façade.

The lower portion of the rendering here is the façade that faces W. Broad Street and in the middle you have the parking garage with the lower stories, with the streetscape type of look. We've asked them to vary the heights of these parapets and the facades to have a little bit more variation, plus the addition of brick, just as stated last month, to enhance the materials that are used facing W. Broad Street. Once again, the applicant has stated they are willing to work with staff prior to issuance of a building permit for this. We have that commitment in writing. With that, staff is recommending approval of both of these buildings with the annotations stated. Joe Antunovich, the architect, is here to make a presentation as well. Also, we do have representatives from Timmons, the engineer, and also Unicorp as well.

Mr. Jernigan: All right. Are there any questions for Mr. Wilhite from the Commission?

Mrs. Jones: Mr. Wilhite, we did have a protracted discussion last time about parking and what is visible from the street, and lighting and this kind of thing. How has that been discussed in relation to this particular presentation?

Mr. Wilhite: The comments are still the same. These were submitted roughly about the same time we approved the last ones. Once again, the architect has committed to working with staff to come up with a design solution that incorporates those comments. As stated before, staff is going to consult with the Planning Commission member to make sure that he's satisfied with what the final outcome's going to be.

2769 Mrs. Jones: Just wanted to emphasize it.

2771 Mr. Wilhite: Yes ma'am.

2773 Mrs. Jones: That's still important. Thank you.

2775 Mr. Jernigan: Any other questions? We'd like to hear from the applicant, please.

Mr. Antunovich: Good morning. Joe Antunovich representing Unicorp with Antunovich Associates. I'm thrilled to be back here again. These buildings are different. They're similar to

others that we've presented, but they are a collection of different buildings. They are large, also. They are almost a city block-and-a-half long, especially the mixed-use building. How do I advance this (referring to screen)? Oh, up and down here, right? The overall site plan and master plan that were approved by you. The whole concept here is that the main area, the village center, be a collection of buildings. Even though the buildings are located on these separate blocks, that the individual buildings are a collection of individual structures brought together as if they were built over a period of time. That's what we've attempted to do with the buildings before you today. 

A-11, just to back up a second. A-11, which sits on access in the center area coming off of West Broad. Kevin, I would never correct you in public, but we're actually marketing this building as being very visible from W. Broad Street.

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Correct the record in case there's some potential retailers sitting in the audience. We think this building will be one of the centerpieces of the development. What we've tried to do is develop it so that a large two-story retail tenant could occupy the center portion. This is the first floor with two retail tenants, one on the right and one on the left. Then with office lobbies that will get you up to the second floor. The tower will be centered on that main access drive. As you can see, that first-floor retail then would extend to the left, retail all the way across, and then a two-story retail extending up in the higher portion of the building, with office space on either side. This is a large building, but we've been able to break it up and we're trying to make this appear as if it is a collection of three separate buildings.

 The second building that we're in for approval for, even though it's technically four buildings hooked together, we call it one building, the parking garage surrounded by residential and retail. Retail on the ground floor in this U-shape, with the parking garage back towards W. Broad and camouflaged from W. Broad for the use of those retailers on the first floor and the residential above, but also for the outparcels. You see those three outparcels there at the top of this image. It's important that the garage be very accessible and very attractive from that side.

The shaded portion, the brown shaded portion illustrates how the residential will lay in on the four floors above and then the lobbies, two separate residential lobbies that are accessible from the main shopping area.

All single-loaded retail because we don't want views from the units to go back over the parking. The amenities are the marvelous retail streets below and the streetscape, the landscape, and all of the activity. So, we're able here to minimize the fitness facilities, all of those other facilities that you get in more typical residential buildings because we feel we have those in and around the retail streets. Those are our amenities. These are single-loaded corridors all the way around and coming up to the parking garage.

Unfortunately, these long elevations don't accurately show the spirit. I'll come back to this one. These show the detail of the buildings a little better. These are the end elevations. You can see here they're very articulated with the retail at the base being expressed differently than the four

- levels above. Even on the ends on the buildings here, you can see as many as five or six separate
- buildings expressed on one, and two on the other. The long elevation that we show here,
- unfortunately, it's so long it doesn't show as much of the detail. We have as much detail as I
- showed on that previous slide. It'll be as colorful and as energetic, and we've documented that
- in a subsequent letter to staff.

- Your concerns about the garage, I shouldn't apologize for rushing, but we did rush a little bit in
- getting in to meet the deadline, and the coloration and the amount of detail on the garage that
- faces W. Broad is not as much as you had requested, I would like to say, quite frankly. We've
- made a commitment to raise the parapets and show more variation in that roof, and then also
- show more coloration with different materials and increase the amount of brick that would be on
- that façade. We're studying with our engineers now just how we will handle the lighting with
- low brightness fixtures and ways in which we will not be intrusive with the lighting on W.
- Broad. All of those comments we made last time and had that hour-long debate, have registered
- and you have our commitment that all of those will be incorporated into the design for what we
- 2840 think is a truly wonderful project. Thank you.

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- 2842 Mr. Jernigan: All right. Are there any questions for Mr. Antunovich from the
- 2843 Commission?

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- 2845 Mr. Silber: I have one question. Looks like on a couple of the elevations, it looks as
- though there are balconies.

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2848 Mr. Antunovich: Yes.

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- 2852 Mr. Antunovich: They're approximately five-feet deep. No narrower than five feet. We've
- also got some juliet balconies so you'll be able to open the door and those will just be like
- French balconies. We do have some step-out balconies.

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2856 Mr. Vanarsdall: It's a balcony but it's not a balcony.

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- 2858 Mr. Antunovich: You could say that. When you go to New Orleans, you don't make the
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2861 Mr. Vanarsdall: Take a half a step and you're on the street.

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- 2863 Mr. Antunovich: Well, coming from Chicago, I had to get the New Orleans touch into that
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2868 Mr. Jernigan: Any more questions? Thank you, sir.

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2870 Mr. Antunovich: Thank you.

Mr. Jernigan: All righty. Well, I guess being as Mr. Branin is gone, I'll make a motion 2872

for this. I'd like to make a motion to approve POD-42-06, W. Broad Village, subject to the 2873

annotations on the plan. 2874

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Mr. Vanarsdall: Second. 2876

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2878 Mr. Jernigan: Motion made by Mr. Jernigan, seconded by Mr. Vanarsdall. All in favor

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2881 The Planning Commission approved POD-42-06, West Broad Village, subject to the annotations on the plan and the standard conditions attached to the minutes for developments of this type. 2882

2883 Mr. Branin was absent.

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## **SUBDIVISION**

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SUB-1-07 Steeple Lane – Zero Lot

Line

(January 2007 Plan)

N. Laburnum Avenue

Bay Design Group, P.C. for Steeple Lane Development, LL, **Community** Development Partners, Kingsridge 200, LLC: The 18.252-acre site proposed for a subdivision of 64 single-family homes on zero lot lines is located at Laburnum Avenue and East Richmond Road on parcels 808-434-5973 and part of 809-725-8954. The zoning is R-5AC, General Residence District (Conditional) and R-5, General Residence District. County water and sewer. (Varina)

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Is there any opposition to subdivision SUB-1-07? No opposition. 2888 Mr. Jernigan:

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Mr. Jernigan: That's staff. 2892

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Mr. Kennedy: The applicant has submitted a revised plan to address staff's earlier concerns with the earlier plan regarding (unintelligible) and drainage. In addition, condition No.14 has been added to address concerns of the adjoining property owner regarding adequacy of buffers adjacent to their property. It's just additional wording being added to condition No. 14. The adjoining property is listed on the National Register as built in 1890. It's called [unintelligible] House. The adjoining property owner has a lot of concerns about making sure that the property is well screened. The revised plan you have in your package shows a common area adjacent to that property and, basically, the interest of the adjoining property is to make sure that common area serves as a buffer. The additional wording would provide, since covenants were included, restricting the common area next to McNeil, which is the person that owns that property, to landscaping or natural area, except utilities, and prohibiting active or passive recreation. They were concerned that the homeowners association would want to put a playground there that would disrupt the historical character of their property. That wording was volunteered by the applicant and agreed to by the applicant. With that, we recommend approval.

Somebody raised their hand over here, didn't they?

Mr. Jernigan: Okay. Any questions for Mr. Kennedy from the Commission? I don't need to hear from the applicant. When this case came through before, basically, it was just this case without the addition of the next case that's coming in, and that had some problems. When we changed this, it did away with the access on Old Richmond Road altogether. I'm going to make a motion. I make a motion to approve SUB-1-07, Steeple Lane, Zero Lot Line, the January 2007 plan with standard conditions served by public utilities and the following additional conditions No. 12, No.13, No.14 revised on the addendum, and No.15.

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Mr. Vanarsdall: Second.

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Mr. Jernigan: Motion made by Mr. Jernigan, seconded by Mr. Vanarsdall. All in favor say aye. Opposed? The ayes have it; the motion is passed.

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The Planning Commission granted conditional approval to SUB-1-07, Steeple Lane, Zero Lot Line (January 2007 Plan) subject to the standard conditions attached to these minutes for subdivisions served by public utilities and the following additional conditions. Mr. Branin was absent.

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- 2927 12. Any necessary offsite drainage easements must be obtained prior to approval of the construction plan by the Department of Public Works.
- 2929 13. The proffers approved as part of zoning case C-30C-06 shall be incorporated in this approval.
- Prior to requesting the final approval, a draft of the covenants and deed restrictions for the maintenance of the common area by a homeowners association shall be submitted to the Department of Planning for review. Such covenants and restrictions shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the County Attorney and shall be recorded prior to recordation of the subdivision plat. Such covenants shall include restricting the common area next to tax map parcel 809-723-3598 for use for landscaping or natural area, except for utilities, and prohibiting active or passive recreation.
  - 15. Any future building lot containing a BMP, sediment basin or trap and located within the buildable area for a principal structure or accessory structure, may be developed with engineered fill. All material shall be deposited and compacted in accordance with the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code and geotechnical guidelines established by a professional engineer. A detailed engineering report shall be submitted for the review and approval by the Building Official prior to the issuance of a building permit on the affected lot. A copy of the report and recommendations shall be furnished to the Directors of Planning and Public Works.

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#### **SUBDIVISION**

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SUB-2-07 Steeple Lane Townhomes (January 2007 Plan) N. Laburnum Avenue Bay Design Group, P.C. for Steeple Lane Development, LL, Community Development Partners, Inc., and Kingsridge 200, LLC: The 4.63-acre site proposed for a subdivision of 27 townhouses for sale is located at Laburnum Avenue and East Richmond Road on parcels 808-434-5973 and

part of 809-725-8954. The zoning is R-5AC, General Residence District (Conditional) and R-5, General Residence District. County water and sewer. (Varina) 27 28 Lots

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2950 Mr. Jernigan: Is there any opposition to SUB-2-07? No opposition. Mr. Kennedy.

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Mr. Kennedy: The applicant has made a revised plan, which increases the number of units by one. Staff has reviewed the revised plan and can recommend approval.

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Mr. Jernigan: Okay. Any questions for Mr. Kennedy from the Commission? I don't need to hear from the applicant on this one either. With that, I would like to move for approval of SUB-2-07, the Steeple Lane Townhouses, the January 2007 Plan, subject to the annotations on the plans, the standard conditions for residential townhouses for sale subdivisions, and the following additional conditions No.13 and No.14, and staff recommendation on the addendum, and that is for 28 lots.

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2962 Mr. Vanarsdall: Second.

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Mr. Jernigan: Motion made by Mr. Jernigan, second by Mr. Vanarsdall. All in favor say aye. Opposed? The ayes have it; the motion is passed.

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The Planning Commission granted conditional approval to SUB-2-07, Steeples Lane Townhouses (January 2007 Plan) subject to annotations on the plans, the standard conditions for residential townhouses for sale subdivisions, and the following additional conditions. Mr. Branin was absent.

- 2972 13. A County standard sidewalk shall be constructed along the west side of N. Laburnum Avenue (State Route 197).
- 2974 14. Any necessary offsite drainage easements must be obtained prior to approval of the construction plan by the Department of Public Works.

#### **SUBDIVISION**

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SUB-4-07 McCabe's Grant (January 2007 Plan) End of Loreine's Landing Lane **Koontz-Bryant, P.C. for McCabe's Grant, LLC:** The 14.98-acre site proposed for a subdivision of 26 single-family homes is located on the terminus of Loreine's Landing Lane, 1,400 feet south of Church Road on parcels 742-755-8449, 743-755-1624, 742-754-8984 and 743-754-4375. The zoning is R-2AC, One-Family Residence District (Conditional). County water and sewer. **(Three Chopt) 26 Lots** 

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Mr. Jernigan: All right. Is there any opposition to SUB-4-07, McCabe's Grant? There is no opposition. Tony, how are you, sir?

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Mr. Greulich: Doing fine, thank you. Mr. Chairman, Planning Commission members, the layout of the proposed subdivision matches what was approved with the rezoning case for the project. The applicant has agreed to all the comments from staff, and as a result, staff could recommend approval, but there is one outstanding issue.

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The length of the proposed cul-de-sac exceeds what is permitted in the Subdivision Ordinance.
The maximum allowable length is 1,320 feet, unless otherwise requested and approved by the
Planning Commission. The applicant has requested that this exception be made and is prepared
to speak to this request.

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If the Planning Commission chooses to grant this exception, then the staff can recommend approval. It is subject to the annotations on the plan, the standard conditions for conditional subdivisions served by public utilities, and additional conditions Nos. 12 through 19. Please note that the Commission can make one motion by incorporating the exception approval and the subdivision approval. Finally, staff and the applicant are here to answer any questions that you may have. Thank you.

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2999 Mr. Jernigan: Thank you, Tony. Are there any questions for Tony from the 3000 Commission?

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3002 Mrs. Jones: Tony, how long is this length? How much further than the standard?

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Mr. Greulich: The existing from Church Road all the way down to where it ends is approximately 1400 feet now. With the approval of the subdivision, it would be down to maybe 1600 to 1650.

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3008 Mrs. Jones: Okay, thank you.

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3010 Mr. Greulich: Sure.

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Mr. Jernigan: Okay, any other questions for Mr. Greulich from the Commission? All right, thank you, Tony. Can we hear from the applicant, please?

- Good morning, my name is Roy Amason. How are you all today? I 3014 Mr. Amason: haven't met many of you all, but some of you I know quite well. The reason for this request, 3015 quite frankly, is due to the neighborhood request and the Planning Commission's request. They 3016 did not want to attach Loreine's Landing Drive with Brookmont Road down there at the bottom 3017 3018 of your map, because it would cause a little cut-through through major subdivisions to Church Road. The traffic would be unbearable. What we came up with was putting a cul-de-sac back 3019 there. These are going to be expensive, very quiet, very nice homes on the Lake Loreine. We got 3020 with the Planning Commissioner and staff and all the neighborhoods around and this was a direct 3021 3022 result of the request from them that we not connect these subdivisions. That's why we're here 3023 today.
- Mr. Jernigan: Okay, thank you. Are there any questions for Mr. Amason from the Commission? Thank you, Roy. Mr. Branin discussed this with me before he left and told me he was fine with this case. With that, I will make a motion to approve SUB-4-07, McGabe's Grant, January 2007 Plan and the special exception to the layout for the cul-de-sac, Loreine's Landing, exceeding the maximum length of 1,320 feet. Plan approval is subject to the annotations on the plan, the standard conditions for subdivisions served by public utilities, and the following
- 3031 additional conditions numbers 12 through 20. 3032

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- 3033 Mr. Vanarsdall: Second.
- Mr. Jernigan: Motion made by Mr. Jernigan, seconded by Mr. Vanarsdall. All in favor say aye. Opposed? The ayes have it; the motion is passed.
- The Planning Commission granted conditional approval to SUB-4-07, McCabe's Grant (January 2007 Plan), and the special exception subject to the annotations on the plan, the standard conditions attached to these minutes for subdivisions served by public utilities, and the following additional conditions: Mr. Branin was absent.
- Each lot shall contain at least 13,500 square feet, exclusive of the flood plain areas.
- Prior to requesting final approval, the engineer shall furnish the Department of Planning Staff a plan showing a dwelling situated on Lots 4, 23 and 26 to determine if the lot design is adequate to meet the requirements of Chapter 24, of the Henrico County Code.
- The limits and elevation of the 100-year frequency flood shall be conspicuously noted on the plat and construction plans and labeled "Limits of 100-year floodplain." Dedicate floodplain as a "Variable Width Drainage & Utilities Easement."
- Any necessary offsite drainage easements must be obtained prior to approval of the construction plan by the Department of Public Works.
- The proffers approved as part of zoning case C-26C-06 shall be incorporated in this approval.
- Prior to requesting the final approval, a draft of the covenants and deed restrictions for the maintenance of the common area by a homeowners association shall be submitted to the Department of Planning for review. Such covenants and restrictions shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the County Attorney and shall be recorded prior to recordation of the subdivision plat.

- 18. Any future building lot containing a BMP, sediment basin or trap and located within the 3059 buildable area for a principal structure or accessory structure, may be developed with 3060 engineered fill. All material shall be deposited and compacted in accordance with the 3061 Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code and geotechnical guidelines established by a 3062 professional engineer. A detailed engineering report shall be submitted for the review and 3063 approval by the Building Official prior to the issuance of a building permit on the affected 3064 lot. A copy of the report and recommendations shall be furnished to the Directors of 3065 Planning and Public Works. 3066
- The construction access on Crown Grant Road shall be maintained in accordance with the letters in the file between the developer and the Department of Public Works, dated July 24, 2006 and July 25, 2006.
- The applicant shall determine the legal status, and provide evidence to the Director of Planning, regarding the "25-foot road strip" along the eastern property line prior to final plan approval. If it is determined that right-of-way exists, or if others have an interest in this strip, it shall be quit claimed prior to recordation of any proposed lots impacted by this "road strip."

Mr. Vanarsdall: Mr. Chairman, we have a long-lost staff member sitting back there, trying to hide behind Mr. Amason. He's on the other side of the desk now. You're in good hands with him back there, Roy.

Mr. Silber: That concludes the plans on your agenda. The only remaining item would be consideration of the minutes from the December 13, 2006 meeting.

Mrs. Jones: I have the corrections. I sent them via e-mail, but it was late. I don't know if you all have gotten them. Just a few spellings and grammatical things. Page 20, line 711. I believe the spelling of "Clerestory" is c-l-e-r-e-s-t-o-r-y. Page 25, line 918. "Renderings." Line 919, "stop" instead of "start." Line 925, "things" plural. On page 27, the last one, line 998, I believe that should be, "Well put, Mr. Branin."

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3093 Mr. Jernigan: Are there any other corrections to the minutes? 3094

3095 Mr. Archer: I had a couple and I forgot to bring my copy with me, so I can't find them.

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3101 Mr. Archer: They weren't anything earth shaking. 3102

3103 Mr. Silber: Do you want to defer these minutes?

3104 Mr. Archer: It didn't change the meaning of anything I don't think.

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3106	Mr. Jernigan:	All right. Do we have a motion to approve the minutes of December 13,	
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3109	Mr. Vanarsdall:	I move that we approve them.	
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3115	the motion passes.		
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3117	Mr. Vanarsdall:	If Mr. Silber doesn't have anything left, I move that we move.	
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3121	Mrs. Jones:	Adjourned.	
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