Pittsylvania County Zoning Ordinance Update

Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors
Joint Kickoff Meeting
July 19, 2022





Agenda

- Project Overview & Schedule
- Project Intent
- Ordinance Purpose and Content
- Preliminary Observations
- Public Engagement Plan
- Next Steps
- Keys to Success
- Discussion



Project Overview

Investigation



✓ Document Review

Zoning Diagnostic

Joint PC and BOS Kick-Off Meeting

Public Outreach:

- Stakeholder Sessions
- Public Workshop
- Public Survey

Content Development

Permit & Application Provisions

General & Administrative
Provisions

District Standards

Overlay & Special Districts

Use Matrix

Use Performance Standards

Community Design Standards

Definitions

Zoning Map

Comparative Graphics

Adoption

Public Open House

Pre-Adoption PC and BOS Work Session

Incorporate Final Revisions

Public Hearings and Adoption

Project Schedule



Project Intent

Comply	Comply with Code of Virginia
Clarify	Clarify Language
Address	Address Modern Zoning Issues
Consider	Consider Zoning Flexibility
Revise	Revise for Compatibility with Comprehensive Plan
Organize	Organize the Structure of the Ordinance

Ordinance Purpose and Content

Comprehensive Plan

Policy Document Sets Vision & Goals Guides Regulation

Zoning Ordinance

Regulates

Use of Land & Structures Size, Height, Area, Location

Ensures

Light & Air Conveniences & Safety

<u>Facilitates</u>

Public Services & Amenities

Protects From

Destruction & Obstruction Encroachment & Congestion Dangers & Adverse Impacts

Comprehensive Plan Goal

Preliminary Observations

How does the Pittsylvania County Comprehensive Plan relate to the Zoning Ordinance update?

Discourage scattered development patterns which are incompatible with the County's ability to provide adequate and cost-effective public services and facilities.

Review and modify, as needed, district standards such as minimum lot size and setbacks.

Introduce provisions for cluster development and include appropriate incentives for this type of development.

Comprehensive Plan Goal

Preliminary Observations

How does the Pittsylvania County Comprehensive Plan relate to the Zoning Ordinance update?

Promote a strong and diversified industrial and commercial base which does not create significant impacts on residential areas, prime agricultural lands or public facilities.



Broaden and modernize land uses and include appropriate by-right uses and use standards.



Add landscape buffering, lighting, and side and rear setbacks for industrial and commercial districts.

Preliminary Observations

Zoning Ordinance diagnostic ongoing and scheduled for completion in September 2022.

Consolidate	Consolidate uses into broad categories
Modernize	Modernize and streamline uses
Incorporate	Incorporate additional and/or clarified provisions
Update	Update timeframes, language, and references to align with Code of Virginia
Organize	Reorganize and consolidate articles

Community Engagement

Public Survey

Gathers input from community members

Public Workshops

Focuses on specific zoning concerns

Stakeholder Listening Sessions

Provides insight from community experts

Community Stakeholder Engagement



Group 1

Business owners; EDA representatives



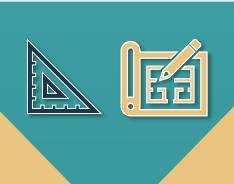
Group 2

Bankers; Attorneys; Real estate agents



Group 3

Historic and/or
Agriculture
representatives;
other special
interest groups



Group 4

Surveyors; Contractors; Architects

Next Steps



Ground Rules



Engage from Start to Finish – attend and participate in all meetings



Do your homework and review material in advance



Be ready to participate and discuss, striving for levels of consensus



Inform and listen to constituents and the greater community



Seek input from staff

Discussion: Overall Considerations

 Considering the example Comprehensive Plan goals and other identified issues from preliminary observations, what do you see as the key priorities for the zoning ordinance?

 Are there any other issues that are important to the community that were not already noted today?

Discussion: Public Survey

See Attachment A

 Any questions or modifications to the public survey questions?

• Survey will be open from August 1 – September 2 to coincide with the workshops and stakeholder listening sessions. *Please promote this survey to your constituents*.

Discussion: Public Workshop Questions

See Attachment B

 Any questions or modifications to the public workshop questions?

• The public workshop will be held at 6:00 PM on Thursday, August 18 at the Pittsylvania County Community Center. Please promote this workshop to your constituents.

Discussion: Stakeholder Sessions

See Attachment C

 Any questions of modifications to the stakeholder questions?

• Staff has prepared a list of stakeholders for inclusion. If you have any suggestions for additional participants for inclusion, please provide any additional names to staff or The Berkley Group by Friday, July 22.

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