AT A WORKSESSION OF THE JAMES CITY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION ON THE ELEVENTH DAY OF JULY, NINETEEN HUNDRED EIGHTY-NINE AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER BOARDROOM, 101C MOUNTS BAY ROAD, JAMES CITY COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Fred Belden
Mr. Garry Massie
Mr. Alex Kuras
Ms. Willafay McKenna
Mr. Jack Edwards
Mr. A.G. Bradshaw
Mr. Wallace Davis
Ms. Carolyn Lowe
Mr. Martin Garrett

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. O. Marvin Sowers, Jr., Director of Planning
Mr. Wayland Bass, County Engineer
Mr. John Horne, Director of Development Management
Mr. Donald Davis, Principal Planner
Mr. Larry Davis, Assistant County Attorney
Mr. Roger Estep, Right-of-Way Agent
Mr. Stan Tatum, Consultant
Mr. Jack Bagby, Consultant

The July 11, 1989, worksession of the James City County Planning Commission began at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Wayland Bass presented an overview of the plan, '85 Sidewalk Schedule, and gave a current practice overview. He explained the sidewalk planning process and previous SPRC/SRC comments. He identified neighborhoods with existing sidewalks, potential locations for future sidewalks, and generators for sidewalks.

Mr. Estep described connections of these neighborhoods via existing roads and the projected need to connect them via sidewalks.

Mr. Bass presented a case study on Longhill Road including the emerging four node development pattern and planning principles. He explained the cross sections and proposed sidewalk projects. He identified location criteria for new development and outlined the existing bikeway plan, and recommended bikeways.

Ms. McKenna stated that bikes should not be encouraged to use Rt. 5 or Jamestown Road.

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Mr. Kuras stated that Class II should be used where possible for greater cost-effectiveness.

Ms. Lowe stated that in Northern Virginia railroads have been converted to bikepaths.

Mr. Belden explained about Virginia Power/natural gas easements potential for bikeways.

Mr. Sowers discussed the National "Rails to Trails" Program which provides a means to implement such ideas.

Mr. Kuras said that widening of roads in location of sidewalks should be considered. He stated concentration should be on nodes and connecting links as nodes develop.

Mr. Massie questioned section design appropriateness in some instances.

Mr. Bass stated that section designs are per VDOT.

Upon questions from Mr. Belden, the Commission agreed by concensus that no changes were needed to the Plan at this point, and that further action would be determined pending the public hearing later that evening.

Adjournment

The worksession adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Fred Belden Chairman

O. Marvin Sowes, Jr. Secretary

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