

AT A SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY OF JAMES CITY, VIRGINIA, HELD IN BUILDING A AT 4 P.M. ON THE 27th DAY OF JANUARY TWO THOUSAND TEN.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Joe Poole, Chair
Mr. Jack Fraley
Mr. Rich Krapf
Mr. George Billups

ABSENT

Mr. Chris Henderson

STAFF

Mr. Chris Johnson
Ms. Sarah Propst
Mr. Jason Purse
Ms. Leanne Reidenbach
Mr. John Carnifax
Ms. Dion Walsh
Mr. Craig Pittman
Mr. Emmet Harmon
Mr. Shawn Gordon

MINUTES

Following a motion made by Mr. Rich Krapf, the DRC approved the minutes from the January 6, 2010 meeting. Following a motion made by Mr. Krapf, the DRC approved the minutes from the January 13, 2010 meeting.

SUP-0002-2010, CVS and Food Market, Soap and Candle Site

Ms. Sarah Propst explained that the DRC has previously discussed the CVS and Food Market elevations and that the applicant incorporated the suggestions offered at the January 6th meeting into the elevations being discussed this evening.

Mr. Poole asked the applicant if he had any comments.

Mr. Todd pointed out the changes to the CVS which include: reorienting the building and including additional windows. He then described some of the changes to the Food Market elevations in an attempt to incorporate the DRC recommendations.

Mr. Poole asked Mr. Todd to explain the orientation of the CVS.

Mr. Todd clarified which view would be seen from the surrounding roads and entrances into the development site.

Mr. Poole voiced approval for the reorientation and improvements to the CVS but said that he did not think the Food Market elevations were what the DRC had hoped for. He explained that the brick piers on the left and right were a bit too heavy and suggested that a gabled roof might make the piers look more balanced.

Mr. Todd said that he understood but wanted to ensure that the entire committee was interested in seeing those kinds of changes.

Mr. Poole said that he understood and asked if added interest along the roofline, similar to what was done with the CVS would be appropriate. He asked Mr. Fraley for his opinion on that suggestion.

Mr. Fraley agreed that he liked the CVS elevations and that the big, brick appearance of the Food Market should be softened and that different massing of the brick elements might achieve that objective.

Mr. Poole said that he would like to see adjustments to the north and west elevations.

Mr. Todd asked if the brick piers should be removed.

Mr. Poole said he didn't think that would be necessary but other elements might make the piers seem less vertical and tie it into the long elevation.

Mr. Krapf suggested wider piers and Mr. Poole agreed.

Mr. Fraley voiced his appreciation of all the work that the developer has done and Mr. Poole said he agreed that the developer appears to be trying to make it fit with the smaller building design of Norge. He asked Mr. Todd to add some additional details that would make the elevations fit the character of Norge.

Given that the proposed development requires a special use permit and the elevations will be included as part of the application which will be reviewed by the PC and BOS in the coming months, the DRC was not asked to approve the elevations at this time and the discussion was ended.

SP-0082-2009, JCC Police Headquarters

Mr. Jason Purse stated that the DRC had previously granted preliminary approval of the site plan for the Police Headquarters at the October 28, 2009 meeting. During the SUP process, a condition was placed on the application that required the final architectural design to be reviewed for consistency with the approved elevations for the building. He noted that there was a slight change to the elevations in front of the DRC today. The application is being value engineered and the metallic panels on the forensic building may be replaced by brick based on cost estimates for the paneling. Staff recommended approval of the elevations.

Mr. Fraley asked if the brick was to be a different color than the rest of the building. Ms. Bitty Miscavige, representing the builder, stated that the only proposed change at this time was the removal of the metal paneling and replacing it with brick. She also noted that the architect had not made any final decisions on that possible change.

Mr. Poole noted the quality design of the building and noted that the strong architectural features mirrored the character of the Police force. Mr. Fraley also stated his support for the building design.

There being no further discussion, on a motion by Mr. Fraley, which was seconded by Mr. Billups, the DRC voted 4-0 to approve the architectural elevations for the Police Headquarters.

C-0059-2009, Chickahominy Riverfront Park , RV Loop Improvements

Ms. Leanne Reidenbach presented the staff report stating that Aaron Small of AES Consulting Engineers submitted a tree removal plan on behalf of James City County Parks and Recreation for improvements to

the RV loop at Chickahominy Riverfront Park. Condition 7 of SUP-0014-2009 requires that the DRC review tree removal plans to make the determination whether tree clearing at the park has been limited to the minimum necessary to accommodate the proposed recreational use. Ms. Reidenbach noted that the landscape planner and Environmental Division had both reviewed and approved the plan and that the proposed clearing is minimal and will not adversely impact the tree canopy. Staff recommended approval of the tree clearing plan.

Mr. Small discussed an additional 6-inch holly near site 177 that was not shown on the plan that was now proposed to be removed. Mr. Krapf pointed out that there was an adjacent holly whose canopy overlapped that of the tree to be removed and Mr. Small noted that tree would remain. He also said that only about four of the trees were proposed to be removed in order to accommodate the layout, all others were determined by their landscape architect to be unhealthy, diseased, or dying.

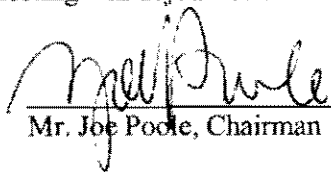
Mr. Fraley said that he would prefer that mature oaks not be removed and inquired as the reasoning behind removing trees 'L', 'E', 'D', and 'F' on the removal plan. Mr. Small noted that the only healthy oak proposed to be removed was letter 'L' and that the other three trees were in an area that had been previously compacted by a loop in the access road that would continue to be used in the new layout. Mr. Fraley noted that he would like the landscape planner present for future DRC discussions concerning landscaping and Ms. Reidenbach noted that he had reviewed the plan and did not have any comments. Mr. Fraley and Mr. Small discussed potential new evergreen plantings that would be placed along the water in order to meet water quality treatment requirements.

Mr. Billups asked whether there was a County tree restoration plan and Ms. Reidenbach noted that there was no program and that the health, damage, and safety status of trees were evaluated on a case-by-case basis by the landscape planner.

Following a motion by Mr. Krapf, seconded by Mr. Billups, the motion to approve the tree removal plan with the addition of the 6-inch holly near site 177 was unanimously approved (4-0, absent: Henderson).

ADJORNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:34 p.m.



Mr. Joe Poole, Chairman



Mr. Allen Murphy, Secretary