

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 28, 2009, 5:30 P.M.
WORK SESSION**

PRESENT: The Honorable Gordon C. Helsel, Jr., Mayor
The Honorable Arthur V. Holloway, Jr., Vice Mayor
The Honorable Carey L. Freeman
The Honorable E. T. "Tom" Meree
The Honorable Traci-Dale Crawford

J. Randall Wheeler, City Manager
Judy F. Wiggins, City Clerk
D. Wayne Moore, City Attorney

ABSENT: The Honorable Frank A. Kreiger
The Honorable W. Eugene Hunt, Jr.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Helsel at approximately 5:35 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Comprehensive Plan:

City Manager, J. Randall Wheeler, asked Principal Planner, Joseph Carter, to provide a summary of the Comprehensive Plan amendments recommended by City Council since its September 14, 2009 meeting. He explained that Council, if it so chooses, may also offer additional comments/amendments for inclusion in the Plan during the review process.

Joseph Carter, Principal Planner, explained by page each amendment that had been made to the proposed Comprehensive Plan. During this process, additional revisions were recommended for inclusion as follows:

- In Chapter 8, Land Use and Chapter 9, Work Program develop a policy to accommodate "Sea Level Rise".
- Develop a strategy to offer tax incentives for redevelopment or improvement of properties.
- Colors should be more distinctive on the Land Use Map.

In conclusion, Mr. Carter stated that the Land Use Map is now identical to the one which was included in the previously adopted Comprehensive Plan. Revisions made include the following: all additional high-density, moderate-density and Mixed Use Waterfront zoning designations, except for the Poquoson marina property, have been deleted and the

Big Woods parcels, formerly designated as General Commercial (GC), have been again redesignated as Research & Development (R&D).

Councilman Meree commended Mr. Carter for expeditiously and accurately amending the Plan.

In response to Mayor Helsel's query, it was the consensus of Council to amend the regular meeting agenda to include adoption of the proposed Comprehensive Plan.

City Manager, J. Randall Wheeler, stated that the Comprehensive Plan, if adopted during the regular meeting, would be placed on the City's website as quickly as possible.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:15 p.m.

ADOPTED: _____

TESTE: _____
City Clerk

