



Listening Session Meetings Notes

Planned Unit Development / Natural Resources Standards Proposed Amendments South Burlington Land Development Regulations

Date: February 19, 2020

Time & Location: 5 pm, South Burlington City Hall

Planning Commission members present: Monica Ostby, Ted Riehle, Michael Mittag

Staff present: Cathyann LaRose, City Planner

Attendees: six (6)

Meeting summary:

Cathyann LaRose gave a brief overview of the PUD/Natural Resources project: goal is to get into questions about PUD work, but ultimately Commissioners decide how to spend the time. City website (www.sbvt.gov) has been updated to include latest documents on this project, and the presentation made to City Council Feb 11th

- Several questions about the role of chapter 12 (environmental protection standards) updates in this project; description of levels – Hazards, Level 1, Level 2
- Concern expressed that the Open Space Committee work is being “minimized” due to public response relating to full lots being tagged.
- Request from K. Lord to see Arrowwood mapping overlaid with maps showing connectivity.
- Ms. Ostby described the purpose of the Arrowwood Report – to provide the Planning Commission with details to define forest habitat blocks, information needed to establish “level 1” natural resources
- Question about changes to NRP zoning district- will it contract? How does it compare with Arrowwood mapped Habitat Blocks?
- Comments recommending changes to order of priority- that TDRs should be done before PUDs, or done altogether
- Question on whether density will or will not be "assigned" to "hazard" land.
- Discussion about whether to remove density from SEQ NRP- Commissioners suggested that we keep full density for TDR purpose only. Ms. LaRose stated that it will definitely need to be a discussion point for the Commission before adoption. Mr. Mittag noted that a developer had suggested that a portion of a value of a TDR be considered for hazard land

Meeting concluded at 6:20 pm