



COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY  
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A Workshop of the Beaufort County Planning Commission (hereinafter “Commission”) was held virtually on Monday, April 5, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

**Members Present:**

Mr. Ed Pappas, Chairman	Mr. Randolph Stewart, Vice Chairman	
Ms. Diane Chmelik	Ms. Cecily McMillan	
Mr. Frank Ducey	Mr. Jason Hinchey	Mr. Jimmie Lawrence Jr

**Members Absent:**

Mr. Kevin Hennelly  
Dr. Caroline Fermin

**Staff Present:**

Mr. Robert Merchant, BC Planning and Zoning Acting Director  
Ms. Diane McMaster, Senior Administrative Specialist

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Ed Pappas called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Chairman Ed Pappas led those assembled in the pledge of allegiance.

**REVIEW OF MEETING MINUTES:** The Commissioners reviewed the March 1, 2021, meeting minutes, and Chairman Ed Pappas asked for a motion to approve same. Mr. Jason Hinchey made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, and Ms. Cecily McMillan seconded the motion. There was unanimous support for the motion.

**AGENDA REVIEW:** Chairman Ed Pappas asked if there were any revisions or additions to the Workshop agenda. There were none.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** Chairman Ed Pappas asked if there were any non-agenda citizen comments. Mr. Tony Criscitiello requested an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan draft to include the development of Bindon Plantation as an environmental education center.

**PRESENTATION ITEM:**

**2040 Comprehensive Plan** Mr. Glenn Walters, Consultant with Design Workshop, presented an overview of the draft Comprehensive Plan process, parts, themes, and GIS mapping.

**Parts:** 2040 Comprehensive Plan, 2040 Action Plan Playbook, and Beaufort County Atlas

**Opportunity Themes:** Resilient, Equitable, and Unique to Place

**DISCUSSION ITEM:**

**Proposed Review Process** The Commission members held discussion regarding the draft document review process. Planning Commission Workshops will be scheduled during the months of April and May 2021 to review the Plan in segments with the main focus on content. Public comment from an upcoming

press release and other online, public access will be organized and forwarded to Design Workshop. Copies of the Plan will also be made available at the five (5) Beaufort County branch library locations allowing additional public access.

The revised Comprehensive Plan document will be presented for a second time at the June 7, 2021, Planning Commission meeting, with presentations before the Natural Resources Committee and Beaufort County Council to follow.


**NEW/OTHER BUSINESS:**

**New Business:** Chairman Ed Pappas reminded all Commission members of the online National Planning Conference scheduled for May 5 – 7, 2021.

**Other Business:** **The next Planning Commission Workshop** is scheduled for Tuesday, April 20, 2021, 2:00 p.m. Additional details will be made available prior to the April 20 date.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business to discuss, Chairman Ed Pappas adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

**SUBMITTED BY:** Diane McMaster  
Community Development Senior Administrative Specialist

  
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Ed Pappas  
Beaufort County Planning Commission Chairman  
Date: 5/4/21