



Planning Commission Agenda
Town of Orange Community Meeting Room – 235 Warren Street
Monday, October 23, 2023

6:00 p.m.

1. Call to order.

Roll Call:

Chairman Benjamin Sherman
Vice-Chair Page Sullenberger
Commissioner Rita Carroll

Commissioner Donald Schafer
Commissioner LJ Taylor
Mayor Martha Roby, *Ex-Officio*

2. Public Comment – *The public is invited to make brief comments that would not necessarily require scheduling a separate Agenda item. It is asked that everyone speaking please state their name and address or group affiliation, if any.*

3. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of September 25, 2023.

4. Discussion of Rezoning Request from Steve Sedwick – Parcel 29-42A.

5. Discussion of Kean Road Subdivision.

6. Continued Discussion of Comprehensive Plan Updates.

- **Theme 5 – Architectural Assets & Aesthetics**

7. Consideration of Cancelling November & December Meetings.

8. Adjournment.

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The Town of Orange Planning Commission held a meeting at 6:00 p.m., in the Town of Orange Community Meeting Room. Planning Commission members present were: Chairman Benjamin Sherman, Vice-Chair Page Sullenberger, Commissioners Rita Carroll, Donald Schafer and L.J. Taylor. Staff members present were Director of Community Development John Cooley, AICP, CZA, Town Attorney Catherine Lea, and Deputy Town Clerk Kimberly Strawser, CZA, CMC. Mayor Roby was absent.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Sherman called the meeting to order. The Deputy Town Clerk called roll and noted that there was a quorum present.

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF AUGUST 28, 2023

The Town Attorney appeared before the Commission to report that at the last meeting the Director of Community Development ran the meeting, since the Chairman and Vice-Chair that were re-elected, but absent from the meeting. The Town Attorney recommended that the minutes from June 26, 2023, be reconsidered since the Director of Community Development cannot sign the minutes.

Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Carroll, to approve the meeting minutes of August 28, 2023, as presented. On vote, Chairman Sherman – abstained, Vice-Chair Sullenberger – abstained, Commissioner Carroll – aye, Commissioner Schafer – aye, and Commissioner Taylor – aye. Motion carried.

RECONSIDERATION OF PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 26, 2023

Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Schafer, to approve the meeting minutes of June 26, 2023, as presented. On vote, Chairman Sherman – aye, Vice-Chair Sullenberger – abstained, Commissioner Carroll – abstained, Commissioner Schafer – aye, and Commissioner Taylor – aye. Motion carried.

UPDATES FROM THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The Director of Community Development gave updates on the following:

- Kean Road Subdivision – The Director of Community Development reported that staff received plans for the Kean Road Subdivision and is in process of review of the plans. A discussion was held.
- Solor Project at Mayhurst Lane in Orange County – The Director of Community Development reported on the proposed solar project. A discussion was held.

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CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATES – THEME 4 – TRANSPORTATION

The Director of Community Development reported that each Commissioner was provided section 15.2-2223 of the Code of Virginia, Theme 4 Transportation goals and SWOT analysis. The Director of Community Development reported further that staff received comments/recommendations and SWOT analysis from Commissioners Carroll and Taylor.

A discussion was held on Theme 4 – Transportation. The following items were discussed:

- Round-a-bouts at Food Lion and CVS
- A plan is needed of how streets and sidewalks should look – architectural rendering
- Grants availability
- Moving power lines/utilities underground on Madison Road – this could be a long term goal
- Adding trees in turn lanes on Madison Road
- Need for taxi service - Uber or Lyft
 - Town Council would need to review for approval
- Bike rentals/electric scooters
- EV charging stations

NEXT MEETING

The Commission will meet on Monday, October 23rd at 6:00 p.m.

With no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Kimberly Strawser, CZA, CMC
Deputy Town Clerk

Chairman Benjamin Sherman

Kim Strawser

From: John Cooley
Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2023 11:38 AM
To: Ben Sherman; Donald Schafer; Donald Schafer; Kim Strawser; LJ Taylor; Larry Taylor (ljbosox@gmail.com); Martha Roby; Page Sullenberger (lcsdps@gmail.com); Page Sullenberger; Rita Carroll; Sherman, Ben (ben129orange@gmail.com)
Subject: Request from Steve Sedwick
Attachments: 10-11-2023 Sedwick Property 29-42A.pdf; 10-11-2023 Sedwick Property Zoning 29-42A.pdf

Chairman Sherman and Planning Commission Members,
Steve Sedwick asked me my thoughts on the potential of rezoning a piece of property he owns which has road frontage off of Miller Road. The parcel is 11.807 acres in size and is zoned Rural Residential. I have attached two files for your review. The first is titled "10-11-2023 Sedwick Property 29-42A.pdf" and shows the property outlined in blue over an aerial photo of the area. The second file is titled "10-11-2023 Sedwick Property 29-42A Zoning.pdf" and shows the zoning of the Sedwick parcel as well as the zoning for parcels in the area. Steve Sedwick would like to rezone the property to Traditional Residential – High Density in order to construct higher density housing on the property. I told Steve I would reach out to you and get your reaction to this request. I am going to ask Kim to put this on the agenda for our next meeting so there is time to discuss this request.

If you have any questions or need additional information do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,



John G. Cooley AICP, CZA

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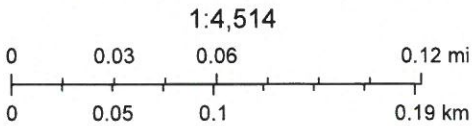
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Tax Parcel 29-42A

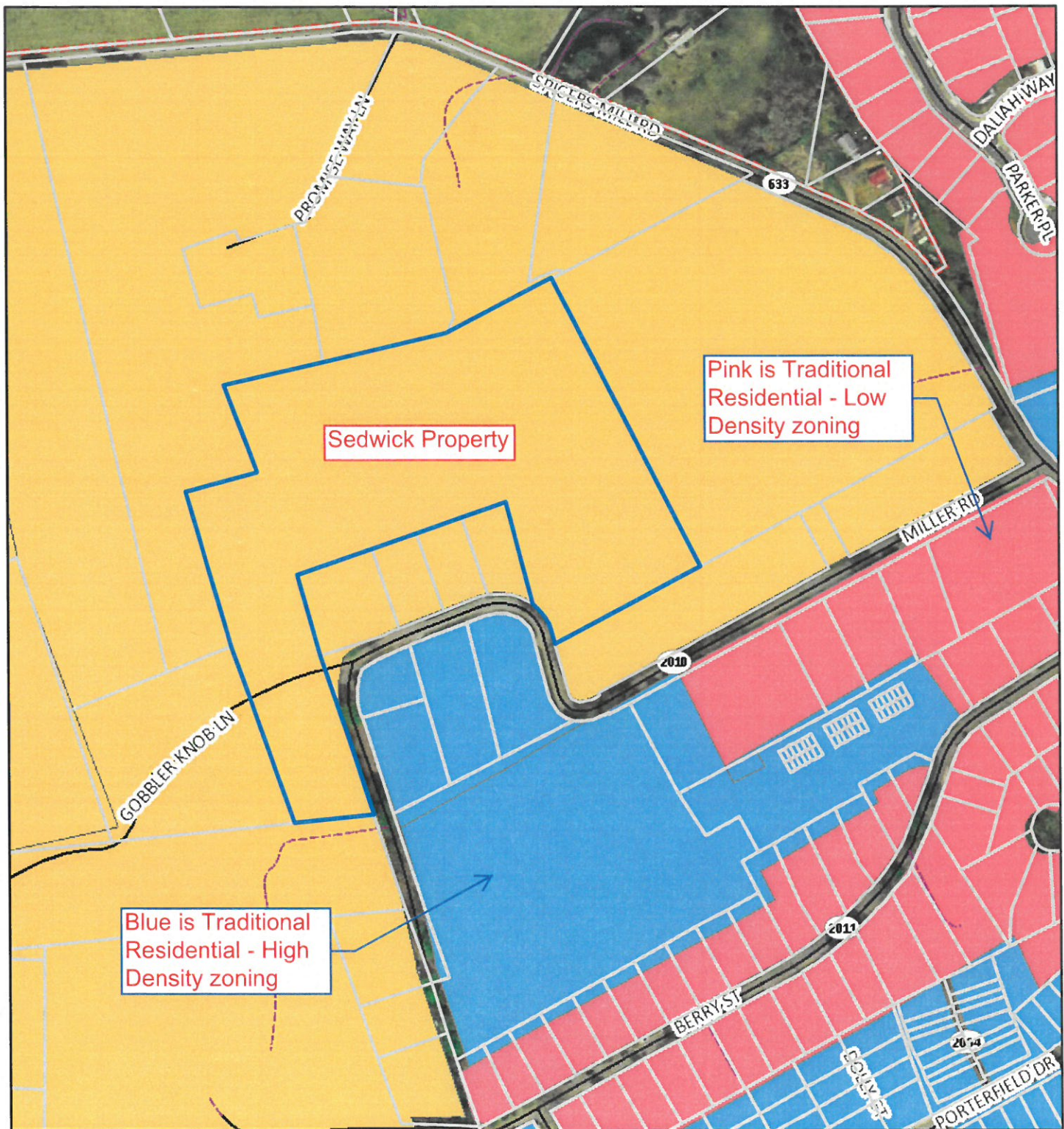


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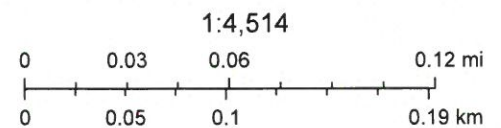
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| Roads | | | |
| — | Primary |  | Town Boundary |
| — | Secondary |  | County Boundary |



Tax Parcel 29-42A Zoning



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Virginia Geographic Information Network (VGIN)



AGENDA SUMMARY
October 23, 2023
Agenda Item #7

Consideration of Cancelling November and December Meetings

SUMMARY

The November 27th meeting falls on the Monday after the Thanksgiving holiday and the December 25th meeting falls on Christmas.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommendation is to cancel these meetings due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. If the Commission agrees the next meeting will be on January 22, 2024.

PLANNING COMMISSION VOTE/ MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION:

None needed.