Dana Community Plan Advisory Committee Minutes November 15, 2010

The Dana Community Plan Advisory Committee met on November 15, 2010 at 6:30 PM. Present committee members included Mr. Tommy Thompson, Chair, Mr. Roger Byers, Mr. Jim Gedwellas, Mr. Harry Allen Fozzard, Mr. Tommy Laughter, Mr. Matt Matteson, Mr. Daniel McConnell, Mr. Tim Murphy, Ms. Norma Pryor, and Mr. Lee Roy Nicholson. Mr. Jeff Justus, Vice Chair and Mr. James M. Revis were absent. Planning staff included Anthony Starr, Planning Director; Autumn Radcliff, Senior Planner; Matthew Cable, Planner; and Parker Sloan, Planner.

Mr. Thompson opened the meeting by inviting public input for anyone interested in speaking. Ms. Julianne Heggoy spoke in opposition to the proposed City of Hendersonville ETJ expansion which would affect her property (PID: 1010682).

Mr. Cable then began review of the Draft Dana Community Plan. Mr. Thompson suggested that the committee review each section of the Draft Plan and make a motion of acceptance or otherwise after Mr. Cable presents each section. The following motions were made:

- Mr. Fozzard made a motion to accept Section 3.1 and its recommendations with the following modifications:
 - O Add the following paragraph: "In addition to churches and cemeteries, there are several other historically and culturally significant structures and sites in the Planning Area including: the Stepp Mill, the Cannery on Dana Road, the Maxwell House, Oleta falls, Golden Hill, and the sites which formerly contained the Summit Hotel, Aleeta Post Office and the post office at Stepp Mill. While these sites are currently privately owned and not immediately accessible to the public, they are important to the community and its history."
 - Add objective:
 - N1.3. Promote monitoring the effects of development and agriculture on the quality of water in the Hungry River and Mud Creeks.
 - o Remove objectives:
 - N3.1. The Historic Resources Commission should prioritize preservation sites within the Dana Planning Area.
 - N3.2. Provide public access to Oleta Falls.

And replace with the following objective:

N3.1. The Historic Resources Commission should encourage the preservation and care of Dana Planning Area historic sites through preservation grants and other identified means that both promote site accessibility and respect the rights and privacy of site owners.

Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

- Mr. McConnell made a motion to accept Section 3.2 and its recommendations with the following modifications:
 - o Remove objective:

A2.1. Establish an Agricultural District Signage Program.

and replace with the following objectives:

- A2.1. Expand and support the existing Agricultural District Signage Program through the County Soil Conservation Office.
- A2.2. Work with NCDOT to place road signs warning motorists of slow moving farm machinery.
- Encourage participation in NCDOT's agritourism signage program. This program allows for the advertisement of agritourism farms (as defined by NCGS and that meet North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (NCDA and CS) requirements) along interstates and other roads provided the farm falls within 15 road miles of the exit/interchange.

Mr. Fozzard seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

Section 3.3 through 3.8 were reviewed and since no modifications were proposed by the committee individual motions were not made.

Mr. Fozzard made the following motion: "The Dana Community Plan Advisory Committee has prepared the Draft Dana Community Plan and would like for it to be adopted in its present form should the Planning Board and Board of Commissioners see fit." Mr. Byers seconded the motion and all committee members voted in favor.

The Committee then considered the minutes of its October 5, 2010 meeting. Mr. Fozzard made a motion to approve the October 5, 2010 meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Nicholson seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

Mr. Thompson thanked the committee members and planning staff for their hard work in completing
the Dana Community Plan. Mr. Thompson adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Chairman	 	 	