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**AMHERST COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

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District 2
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District 5

MINUTES

May 17, 2022

Administration Building - 153 Washington
Street - Public Meeting Room
Amherst, Virginia 24521
Meeting Convened - 7:00 PM

County Administrator
Dean C. Rodgers

County Attorney
Mark Popovich

I. Call to Order

At a regular meeting of the Amherst County Board of Supervisors held on May 17, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., the following members were present:

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

David W. Pugh, Jr., Chairman
Tom Martin, Vice-Chair
L. J. Ayers III, Supervisor
Claudia D. Tucker, Supervisor
Drew Wade, Supervisor (via electronic participation)

ABSENT: None

STAFF:

Dean C. Rodgers, County Administrator
David R. Proffitt, Deputy County Administrator
Mark Popovich, County Attorney
Regina M. Rice, Clerk

Chairman Pugh called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Supervisor Ayers motioned to authorize the electronic participation of Mr. Drew Wade in tonight's meeting discussion and certification, pursuant to Section 2.2-3708.2(A)(1)(b) and (A)(2) of the Code of Virginia. Mr. Wade would be joining the meeting from Richmond, Virginia and is unable to attend the meeting due to a personal matter.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

NOTE: All Board of Supervisors' meetings are now being streamed live on Facebook and on YouTube.

II. Approval of Agenda

By motion of Supervisor Tucker and with the following vote, the Board approved the agenda for May 17, 2022.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade

NAY: None

ABSENT:None

III. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Vice-Chair Martin led the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Citizen Comment

The following citizens addressed the Board during this session:

Mrs. Ruth Warner, District 2, said she lives around the lake and has great concern about the development, especially the body of water and wildlife, destruction to the lake with debris, and safety and privacy. She said she was robbed of her property and would provide the Board with a police report. She asked the Board to reconsider this.

Ms. Pat Malchow received the letter about the survey and found nothing on the Parks & Rec website about the proposal.

Chairman Pugh responded and said the County paid for the survey marking the boundaries.

County Administrator Rodgers said the County did a survey about ten years ago but a lot of those were re-marked so we could find them. He said the County owns around the lake.

Ms. Malchow said her survey shows her lot goes into the water.

Mr. Rodgers said that is why we are having the property surveyed.

Ms. Malchow asked about the results of the survey and saw the markings, but the markings did not "jive" with her survey.

Chairman Pugh said the County is doing a survey around the property of the lake and if there were property disputes, that would have to be taken up by someone else. He said we are going to look at a possible trail around the periphery of the lake on the county property and we have not gone any further. No money has been appropriated and it is strictly a survey around the edge of the property and that is where we are at.

Ms. Malchow asked would any condemnation and eminent domain be involved.

Chairman Pugh said not on his watch and we do not want to take anyone's property for any type of recreational purposes around the lake.

Ms. Malchow asked about the LWCF grant and did not see that anywhere online.

Chairman Pugh responded we would get that information to her.

Mr. Mike Brockman said he probably owns the most acreage around the lake and is concerned about people having access to his property. He provided the Board with the history of the lake. He said he would lose acres of land and this would expose a lot of his land to this trail. He lost a lot of property, including bales of hay, cherry and walnut boards. He said he would wait to see what comes up as far as the boundary line and said the county would not own that land to take the 50 ft. right-of-way. He would listen and see what the Board has to say before he looks at his options.

Mr. Sandidge, District 2, said he has owned property there since 1955 and was concerned about the 50 ft. boundary. He thinks that the County who owns property on Puppy Creek and Forest Sale Roads should do something with that land.

Ms. June Harvey McNamara asked if an impact study had been done around the lake to include erosion. She said we have beaver, geese and fox dens and all will be gone, affecting the wildlife. She remarked on the trash and was concerned about her safety and has lived there for 30 years with the peace and serenity of Amherst County. Ms. McNamara said she would wait to see what happens and voiced her opposition to the trail. She said we do have a right to compare our surveys with the County, and cannot imagine how a path would go around the lake. She asked the Board to keep us informed.

Mr. Daniel Warner agreed with everyone and said a major concern is that, once this starts, it is irreversible and has an effect on the quality of the water. Everyone wants to appreciate the lake but be very careful about the ecological aspects. The wildlife is the main concern there and how recreation, traffic and trash will affect this. He said opening up a highway around the lake would take a toll, especially the impact of littering in and around the lake.

Ms. Victoria Warner was concerned around Mill Creek Lake that many people would lose privacy and tranquility around the lake, along with the risk of disturbing the wildlife. She said there would be major erosion and littering.

Chairman Pugh said the Board would need to have a later discussion regarding the potential trail around the lake. He asked Mr. Rodgers for the survey once that is completed, and to have a Board discussion.

Mr. Rodgers said on the GIS the boundary is hard to follow and does look like it goes into the water in some places. It may not be possible to get the trail around the lake and the survey will determine where the county owns enough property to put a trail. He said he didn't understand the references to the 50 ft. right-of-way and was hoping for an Appalachian Trail type of trail with one lane through the woods. "If we can't get around a piece of property, then

that's... I know you all don't want to take anyone's property, for that purpose so it's not gonna be an option".

Vice-Chair Martin asked Mr. Rodgers, when you receive the results from the survey and the plan, suggested looking at this to see what is feasible or not, and it may be a "moot" conversation.

Mr. Rodgers said it would be a matter of public record so everyone can see the plat and show it to their surveyors.

The Citizen Comment session was closed.

V. Public Hearing

A. VDOT Rural Rustic Priority List FY23-FY28

Mr. Robert Brown, Residency Administrator with the Virginia Department of Transportation, addressed the Board and introduced Mr. Daniel Brown as the new Assistant Resident Engineer in the land use section.

Mr. Brown explained the Six-Year Plan, outlined the construction of county roads over the next six years, and said the funding allocations have been steady. He then provided an update on the following roads to be constructed this year and in 2023:

Lavender Lane Rt. 743 – road constructed

Campbell's Mill Road Rt. 608 - completed

East Perch Rt. 650 – under construction and completion in next 60 days

Fox Hall Drive Rt. 606 – starting construction July 2022

Shady Mountain Road Rt. 696 – start construction August 2022

Chestnut Lane Rt. 729 – starting construction August or September 2022

Beverly Town Road – starting construction late September or October 2022

Windy Ridge Road Rt. 733 – will be funded after July 2023

Wares Gap Road Rt. 636 - July 2023 & 2024

Kent Moor Farm Road Rt. 648– start construction in 2023

Mr. Brown said he expected to transfer money for the following:

Walnut Springs Road Rt. 776 – funded after July 2025

West Monitor Road Rt. 616 – funded July 2025

Geddes Mountain Road Rt. 700 – funded July 2025

Indian Creek Road Rt. 621 - starting construction after July 2026.

Supervisor Tucker asked about Indian Creek Road and said this road was further up on the list than where it was now. She understood the

construction would start in 2023/2024.

Mr. Brown said that road was added at her request and he had not changed the priority that the Board set on Indian Creek Road. He would look into this to see if any temporary repairs to the road could be made.

Supervisor Ayers asked about Waughs Ferry Road off of Rt. 130 regarding ditch cleaning and why the road was not on this list. Mr. Brown replied it was listed on the unpaved road list.

The Public Hearing was opened.

Proponents: None

Opponents: None

The Public Hearing was closed.

By motion of Supervisor Tucker and with the following vote, the Board approved the priority list ranking as proposed and amended.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

- B. Ordinance 2022-0004, amending and reenacting Chapter 10, Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, Article V, Abatement of Refuse and Weeds.

County Attorney Mark Popovich addressed the Board and said this proposed amendment is to allow for imposition of civil penalties to address refuse and weeds throughout the county.

The Public Hearing was opened.

Proponents: None

Opponents: None

The Public Hearing was closed.

By motion of Supervisor Ayers and with the following vote, the Board adopted Ordinance 2022-0004 as presented.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

- C. Ordinance 2022-0005, amending and reenacting Chapter 9, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Article VI, Inoperable, Abandoned, and Unattended Vehicles; Parking Violations, Division 3, Inoperable Motor Vehicles, Section 9-173, Penalty.

County Attorney Mark Popovich addressed the Board and said this proposed amendment is to allow for the imposition of civil penalties to address abandoned vehicles throughout the county.

The Public Hearing was opened.

Proponents: None

Opponents: None

The Public Hearing was closed.

By motion of Supervisor Ayers and with the following vote, the Board adopted Ordinance 2022-0005 as presented.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

- D. Ordinance 2022-0008, amending Secs. 5-16 and 5-17, Chapter 5, Elections, Article II. Election Districts

County Attorney Mark Popovich explained that under the U.S. Constitution and the Virginia Constitution, you are required to evaluate election districts every ten years based on the recent U.S. Census.

Mr. Popovich said the result of the census was that Districts 4 and 5 needed to be adjusted with citizens moving from one to another.

Mr. Popovich announced that he was in receipt of the official Certification of No Objection from the Attorney General with no objection and it was approved.

The Public Hearing was opened.

Proponents: None

Opponents: None

The Public Hearing was closed.

By motion of Supervisor Wade and with the following vote, the Board adopted Ordinance 2022-0008 as presented.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade
NAY: None
ABSENT: None

E. Special Exception 2022-108 Alice Primm

Community Development Director Jeremy Bryant addressed the Board regarding a special exception request by Alice Primm for a short-term tourist rental located at 779 River Road in Amherst County.

Mr. Bryant said the dwelling borders River Road, the James River and Harris Creek and is located outside the 100 year flood way. He advised the Planning Commission recommended approval of the conditions stated.

The Public Hearing was opened.

Proponents: None
Opponents: None

The Public Hearing was closed.

By motion of Supervisor Ayers and with the following vote, the Board approved the request with the conditions recommended by the Planning Commission.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade
NAY: None
ABSENT: None

F. Special Exception 2022-162 Wilson Blanchard

Community Development Director Jeremy Bryant addressed the Board regarding special exception 2022-612 by Wilson Blanchard to allow a wedding venue, special event venue, fishing and hunting retreat, short-term tourist rental of eight (8) existing apartments, and the main dwelling located at 369 Kenmore Road.

Mr. Bryant advised the apartments are legal and non-conforming structures and were built before Amherst County had zoning regulations in 1982. He said the Health Department was consulted regarding compliance and the applicant is working with VDOT concerning the entrance. Mr. Bryant said the Planning Commission recommended approval this request

The Public Hearing was opened.

Proponents: Mr. Wilson Blanchard addressed the Board and stated he met with Jeremy Bryant, Sara Nichols of the Amherst Health Department and Jeff Kessler of VDOT and would comply with all of the requirements.

Opponents: None

The Public Hearing was closed.

By motion of Chairman Pugh and with the following vote, the Board approved the request with the conditions recommended by the Planning Commission.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

G. Special Exception 2022-117 Seese Construction & Mgmt LLC
Community Development Director Jeremy Bryant addressed the Board regarding a special exception by Seese Construction & Mgmt. LLC to allow installation of a 1,000-gallon propane tank in the commercial district and to be located at Tractor Supply, 912 Amelon Square in Madison Heights.

Mr. Bryant advised that both the Building Code and Fire Code regulations require a certain distance for setbacks. He said the Building and Fire officials have reviewed this request and will also review the building permit phase.

He said the proposed propane tank will be over 300 feet from Amelon Elementary School and is in compliance with the minimum set back standards and also exceeds other standards.

The Public Hearing was opened

Proponents: None

Opponents: None

The Public Hearing was closed.

By motion of Supervisor Wade and with the following vote, the Board approved the request with the conditions recommended by the Planning Commission.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade
NAY: None
ABSENT: None

VI. Consent Agenda

By motion of Supervisor Tucker and with the following vote, the Board approved the Consent Agenda for May 17, 2022.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade
NAY: None
ABSENT: None

A. Appropriation of Revenue-Commonwealth's Attorney

It was moved that the Board approve the appropriation of funds from the State Compensation Board in the amount of \$3,746.45 to the Commonwealth's Attorney's budget as presented.

B. Appropriation of Revenue - Sheriff's Office

It was moved that the Board approve the appropriation of funds as described.

C. Minutes - April 19, 2022

It was moved that the Board adopt the Minutes of April 19, 2022.

VII. Old Business

A. Madison Heights Master Plan Update - EPR

Community Development Director Jeremy Bryant introduced Vlad Gavrilovic, principal with EPR that the County is using for the Madison Heights Master Plan.

Mr. Gavrilovic addressed the Board and said the future would be to provide economic development, future growth and expanded public services, reinforce the sense of community and improve the quality of life. He then presented a

slide presentation that outlined the project including the roles in this process that included support by a Staff Committee, a Steering Committee, a Consultant Team, stakeholders and the public. In addition, a project schedule was provided and a survey link to receive input from the public. (See Attachment 1)

Chairman Pugh thanked Mr. Gavrilovic for his presentation and said that public involvement is very important.

Vice-Chair Martin said the stakeholders would like to add residents and not just property owners, as well as access management through the business corridor to improve traffic safety through VDOT, economic development to attract new businesses in the area and improve the appearance.

VIII. New Business

A. Building Appeals Board Charter Change

Public Safety Director Sam Bryant addressed the Board and explained the charter change would combine the Building Appeals and Fire Appeals Boards to allow appeals to move much quicker and be heard at the local level.

By motion of Supervisor Tucker and with the following vote, the Board approved the charter changes as presented.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

B. Monelison Volunteer Rescue Squad Generator Request

Public Safety Director Sam Bryant addressed the Board to request funding for the installation of a generator at Station One. He said the cost would be \$44,770.00 for a 55KW generator, and asked the Board to approve funding from the Emergency Services Council capital fund.

By motion of Supervisor Ayers and with the following vote, the Board

approved funding from the Emergency Services Council capital fund for the purchase and installation of a generator at Monelison Station One.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

C. Pedlar Fire Department Request

Public Safety Director Sam Bryant addressed the Board regarding a request by the Pedlar Volunteer Fire Department to fund one-half of the cost of a propane generator. Mr. Bryant said the Emergency Services Council recommended approval of one-half of the cost, which would be \$12,525.88 for this appropriation.

By motion of Supervisor Ayers and with the following vote, the Board approved funding from the Amherst County Emergency Services Council capital budget to pay for one half of a generator for Pedlar Volunteer Fire Department.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

D. Modern Fire Dynamics Class

Public Safety Director Sam Bryant addressed the Board and said this class would benefit members with the dynamics of fire, teach Firefighters and EMTs to be offensive or defensive to safely put out a fire. He said this is a 10-hour class that would be taught by a local fire captain.

Supervisor Wade asked Mr. Bryant for clarification of the \$1,500 cost. Mr. Bryant replied the \$1,500 cost is for the entire class, the instructor and props.

By motion of Chairman Pugh and with the following vote, the Board approved funding from the Emergency Services Council fund to pay for the Modern Fire Dynamics class.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

E. Appropriation for Expenditure - Tourism

Director of Recreation and Tourism Randy Nixon addressed the Board regarding an appropriation of \$2,075 from the Tourism Reserve Fund to

update the Tourism website. He said the website is currently not on-line nor available to the public.

Mr. Nixon said that DCD Designs Studios was selected to complete the update at a cost of \$2,075 and he requested the Board to approve this appropriation from the Tourism Reserve Fund.

Supervisor Tucker understood that the costs were shared between Recreation and the Chamber of Commerce.

County Administrator Rodgers said this expense would be paid out of the Tourism Fund, which those funds come from the lodging tax. The contract with the Chamber is to operate the Visitors Center and is not part of the Chamber's budget.

Vice-Chair Martin remarked that Tourism should work with the Chamber and the EDA. Mr. Nixon agreed.

By motion of Vice-Chair Martin and with the following vote, the Board approved the appropriation of funds from the Tourism Reserve Fund in the amount of \$2,075.00 to the Tourism budget.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

IX. County Administrator's Report

A. Boards/Commissions/Committees - Parks and Recreation Board vacancy

County Administrator Rodgers addressed the Board regarding the appointment of an individual to the Amherst County Parks & Recreation Board.

Mr. Rodgers said the term of Ms. JoJo Allcock, the District 4 representative on the Amherst County Parks and Recreation Board, will expire on December 31, 2025. Due to Ms. Allcock's untimely passing, her term remains unexpired.

Staff advertised the vacancy in the New Era Progress on April 21, 2022 and in the News & Advance on April 24, 2022, and the closing date was May 6, 2022. Staff received one letter of interest from Mrs. Sara Lu Christian. No additional letters of interest were received.

Both Chairman Pugh and Vice-Chair Martin agreed that Mrs. Christian's expertise would be valuable as a member of the Parks & Recreation Board.

By motion of Vice-Chair Martin and with the following vote, the Board appointed Sara Lu Christian to the Amherst County Parks and Recreation Board for a term ending December 31, 2025.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade
NAY: None
ABSENT: None

B. Commemorative Resolution 2022-0005 Bill Wydner

County Administrator Rodgers presented to the Board a commemorative resolution honoring Mr. Bill Wydner.

Supervisor Tucker thanked the staff for preparing the resolution and said the Chamber of Commerce had requested it be read by Vice-Chair Martin at their next meeting.

Chairman Pugh said he knew Mr. Wydner for many years and he was a very gracious person who was happy to see Amherst Mill go on to "better hands".

Vice-Chair Martin said that Chief Wydner served in the Amherst Fire Department for many years as Fire Chief until 2003, and was involved with the purchase of the AFD tanker. Vice-Chair Martin said Mr. Wydner had lasting effects on that department.

By motion of Vice-Chair Martin and with the following vote, the Board adopted Commemorative Resolution 2022-0005-CR as presented.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade
NAY: None
ABSENT: None

X. County Attorney's Report

The County Attorney had no matter to discuss.

XI. Liaison and Committee Reports

A. Agriculture Committee - Claudia Tucker

Supervisor Tucker reported that she and Supervisor Ayers traveled to Pittsylvania County with a group from Nelson and toured the Olde Dominion Agricultural Complex in Chatham. She said the study report has come back and the next step is to have a joint board meeting to discuss the purchase of this land.

Supervisor Ayers said that the agricultural center was very impressive and provides training opportunities for students and adults. He said the County needs to decide if it wants to move forward with purchasing the proposed property.

Chairman Pugh said he has visited the facility and understood it was paid for by Tobacco Commission money, the Farm Bureau and the State, which shows that there are many avenues to receive funding.

Supervisor Ayer said there are many opportunities for alternative funding from different foundations as well as anonymous donors. He said having a CTE School to invest in education and trade schools would offer many benefits.

B. School Board - Claudia Tucker

Supervisor Tucker said Dr. Wells was welcomed as the new School Superintendent and she looks forward to working with him.

C. Parks, Recreation & Cultural Development Board- Tom Martin

Vice-Chair Martin reported on the following from the Recreation meeting last night:

The Board met the new Recreation Director, Randal Nixon; there were over 40 applicants who applied for the Recreation Specialist position; and everyone was aware of the survey at Mill Creek Lake. He also reported ground breaking for Scentral Bark is scheduled for Oct 1; the Director is working on a soccer program for children with special needs; working to bring a national archery tournament to the County; the Easter egg hunt was a success; senior activities at Second Stage will reopen on Mondays and Tuesdays; working on a way to better publicize special events; and tickets to both theme parks are available at the Recreation office.

D. Lynchburg Regional Business Alliance, Government Relations Committee, May 3, 2022.

For information only.

- E. Blue Ridge Regional Jail Board of Directors Meeting, May 5, 2022.

For information only.

XII. Departmental Reports

A. Transfer Station Update - Public Works

Public Works Director Brian Thacker addressed the Board with an update on the transfer station.

Mr. Thacker said completion of the project is approximately 90%, which includes the transfer station, maintenance shop, the fuel island and an extension to the administration building. DEQ will come on June 17 for a final inspection. He said most equipment has been ordered and received, the landfill is being repaved and waiting for internet installation.

Chairman Pugh asked about the semi-trailers at the landfill and did not recall that the County bought those. Mr. Thacker replied that was made available as part of the refinancing money that Mrs. McBride brought before the Board in October 2020. A part of that money was for the tractors and trailers, and it was also based on a cost analysis to do in-house instead of subbing it out. This would save the County 45-50%. He said with the uncapping of the backside of the landfill, it is anticipated this would extend the life for an additional 18 to 24 months. Mr. Thacker said there may be other factors that could prolong the use of the landfill for 2-3 years.

Chairman Pugh said he was concerned about the cost of diesel fuel and any savings would be "eaten up" by the cost of fuel to haul the trash from the County.

Vice-Chair Martin asked if it would be two to three years before trash is hauled out of the county. Mr. Thacker replied yes.

B. Budget Status Report as of March 31, 2022

Finance Director Stacy McBride reported to the Board that when she ran the numbers in March, the personal property "thing" popped right back up and pointed out we are going to have that same \$1M set aside in 2023 available in 2022.

She said we had an excess of personal property tax revenue in both years and

will give back part of it in 2023, but will see this \$1M again in 2022 when we close the books. She said we did not budget for that.

Mrs. McBride said this will be "one-time money you are going to have at the end of this year in your pot".

C. General Fund Availability Report

For information only.

XIII. Citizen Comment

There was no public comment.

XIV. Matters from Members of the Board of Supervisors

Chair Pugh had no matter to discuss.

Vice-Chair Martin had no matter to discuss.

Supervisor Ayers had no matter to discuss.

Supervisor Tucker had no matter to discuss.

Supervisor Wade had no matter to discuss.

XV. Closed Session

- A. A closed session pursuant to VA Code Section 2.2-3711, Subsection (A)(3), for the purpose of discussion related to consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, specifically related to the acquisition of properties located in District 2 and District 5.

Chairman Pugh motioned that the Amherst County Board of Supervisors convene in closed session pursuant to VA Code Section 2.2-3711, Subsection (A)(3), for the purpose of discussion related to consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, specifically

related to the acquisition of properties located in District 2 and District 5.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

Chairman Pugh motioned to come out of closed session and was approved with the following vote:

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

XVI. Certification of Closed Session

Chairman Pugh motioned that the Amherst County Board of Supervisors certify by a recorded vote that, to the best of each Board member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and identified in the motion authorizing the closed session were heard, discussed, or considered in the closed session.

Mr. Pugh: AYE

Mr. Martin: AYE

Mr. Ayers: AYE

Mrs. Tucker: AYE

Mr. Wade: AYE

XVII Adjournment

By motion of Vice-Chair Martin and with the following vote, the Board adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

AYE: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Martin, Mr. Ayers, Mrs. Tucker and Mr. Wade

NAY: None

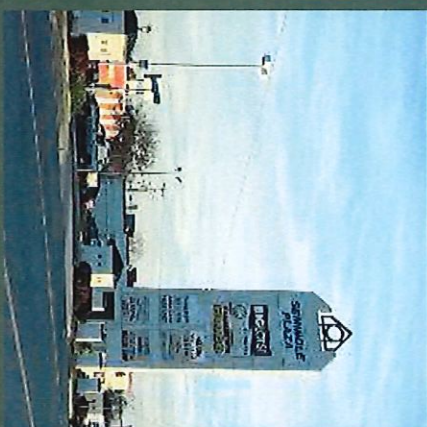
ABSENT: None

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David W. Pugh, Jr., Chair
Amherst County Board of Supervisors

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Dean C. Rodgers, Clerk



Madison Heights Master Plan

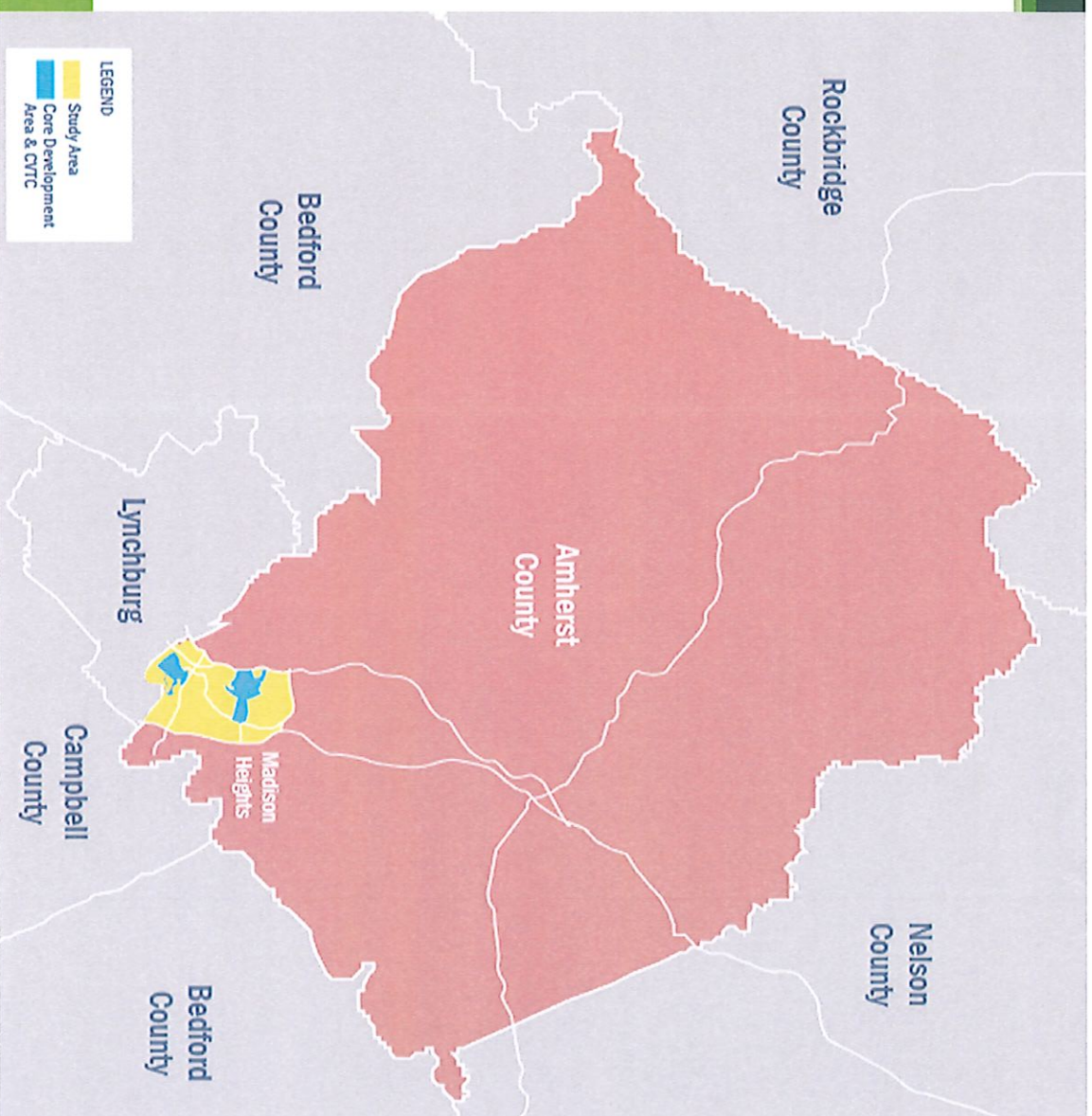
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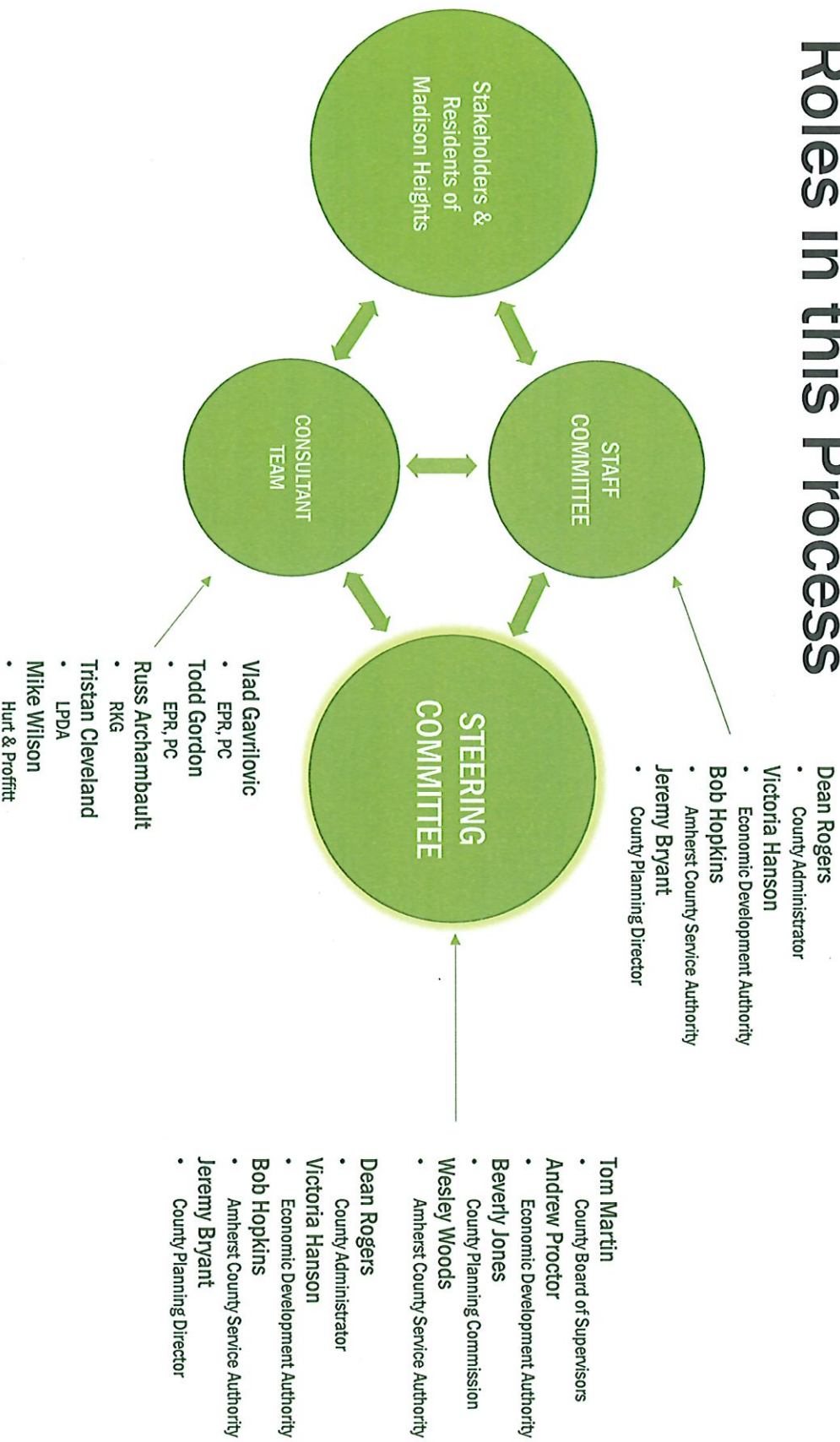
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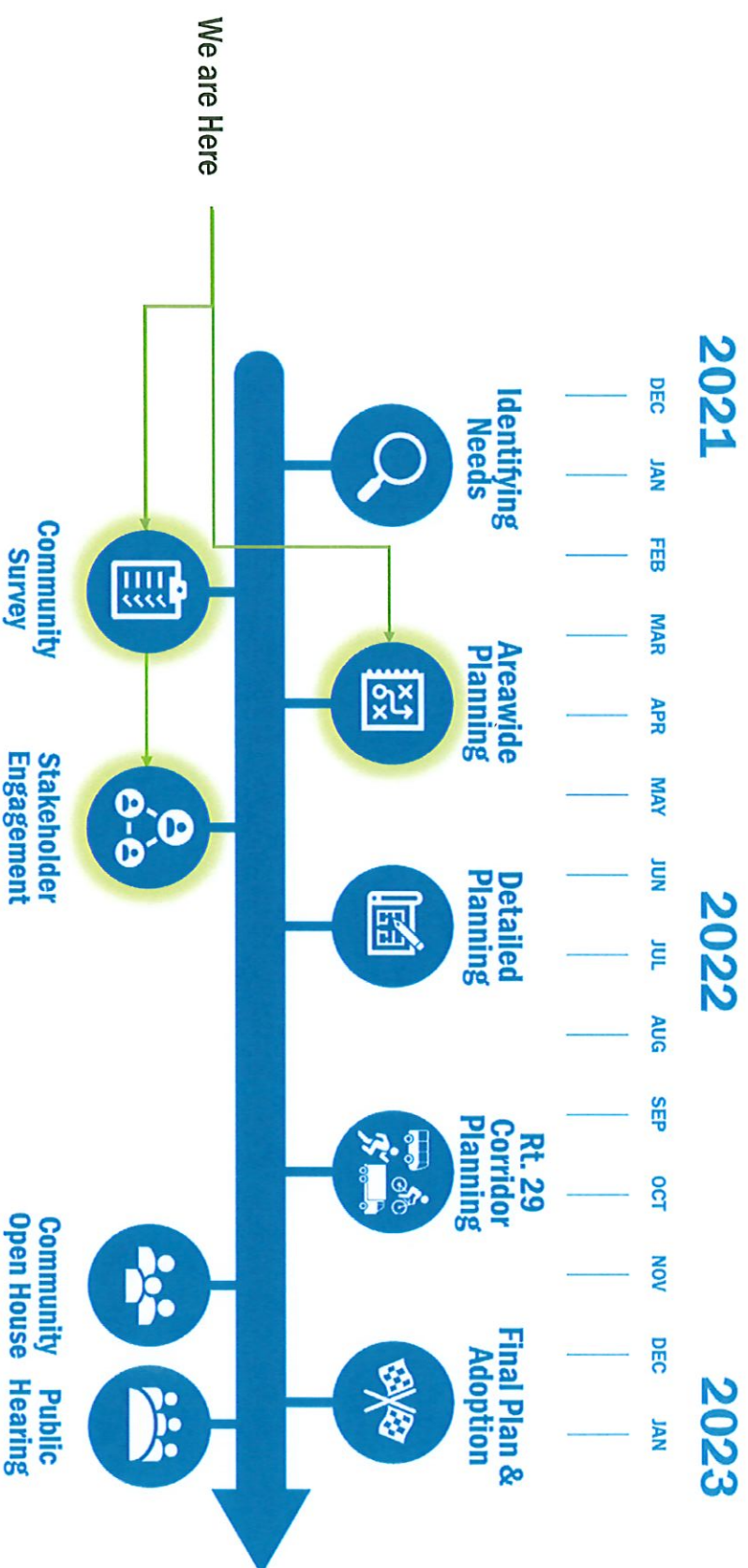
- provide economic development through future growth and expanded public services in the area.
- reinforce the sense of community
- improve the quality of life



Roles in this Process



Project Schedule

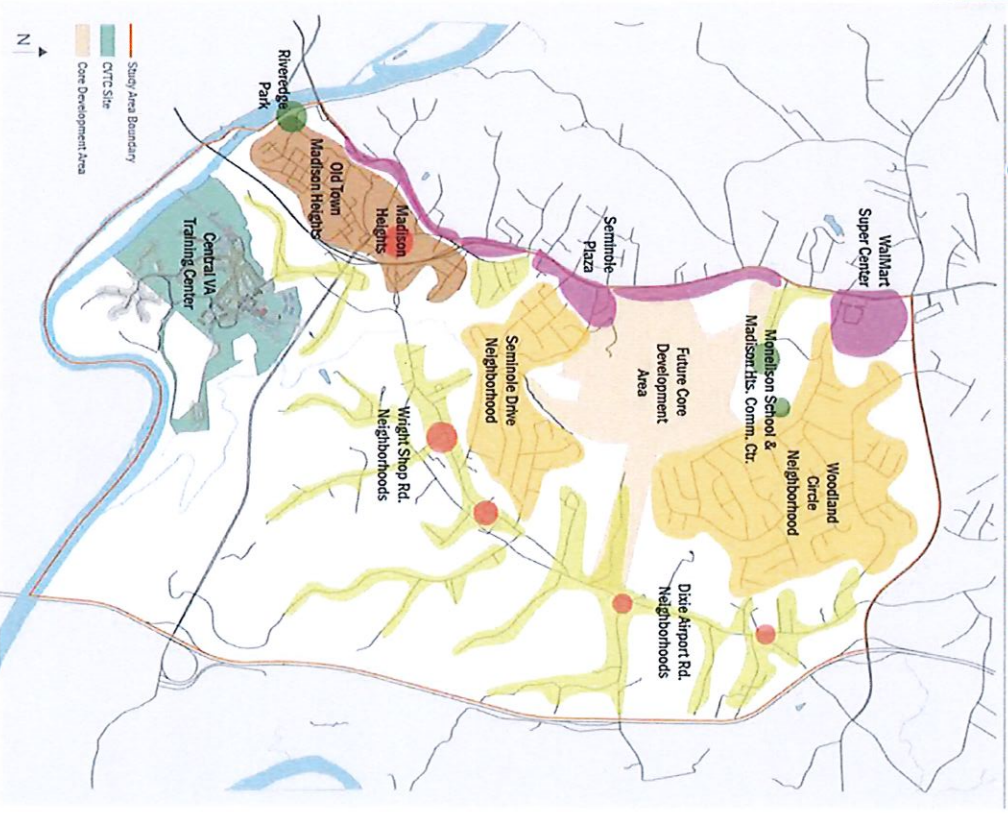


How do we bring a unified vision to Madison Heights?

- Major Residential Neighborhoods
- Smaller Residential Neighborhoods
- Small Crossroads Communities
- Old Town Madison Heights Neighborhoods
- Strip Commercial Development
- Public/Community Facilities

Madison Heights Master Plan

Madison Heights Master Plan / Existing Neighborhood Structure



- Major Residential Neighborhoods
- Smaller Residential Neighborhoods
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- Old Town Madison Heights Neighborhoods
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Where are we now?

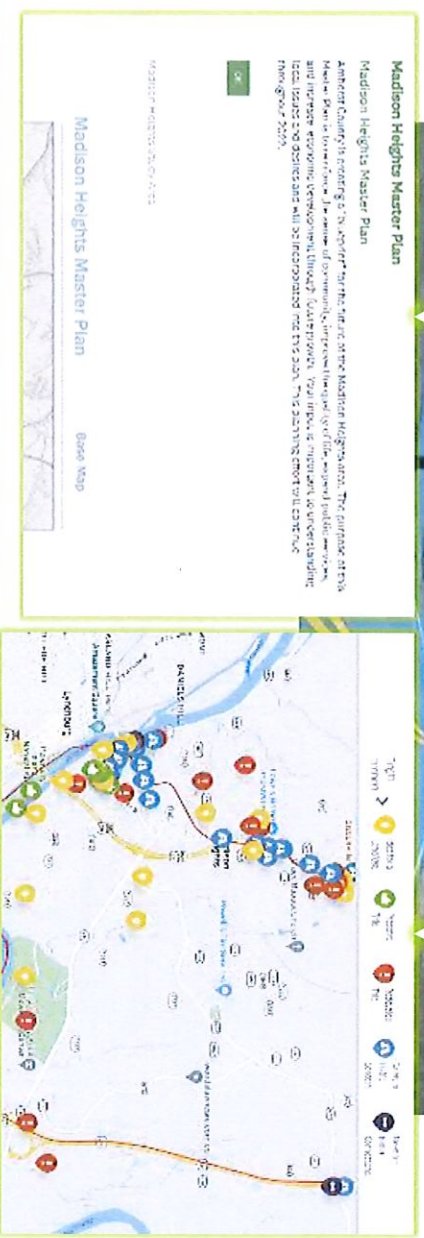
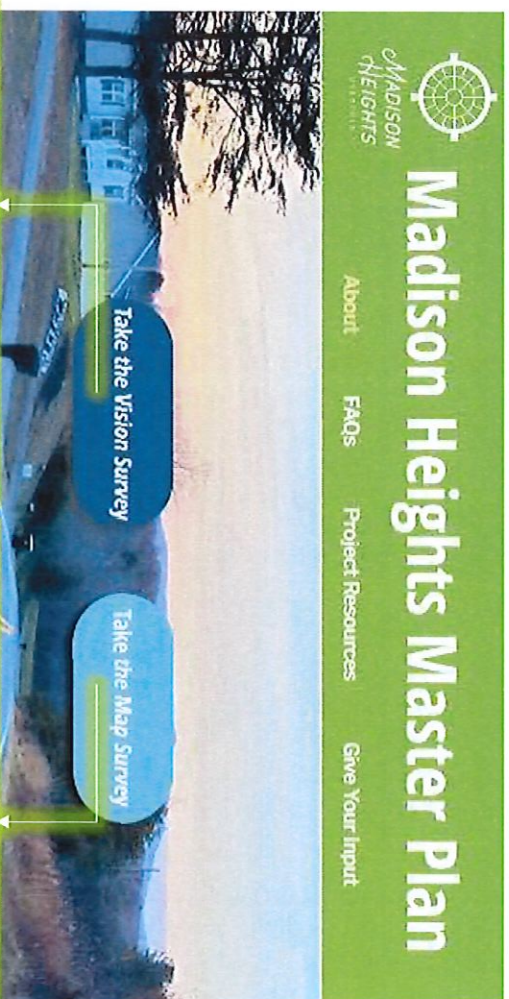
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May Stakeholder

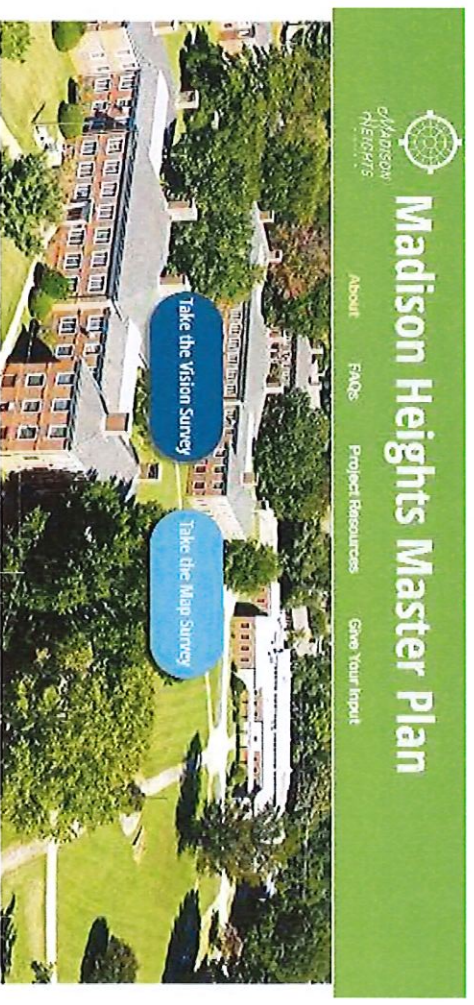
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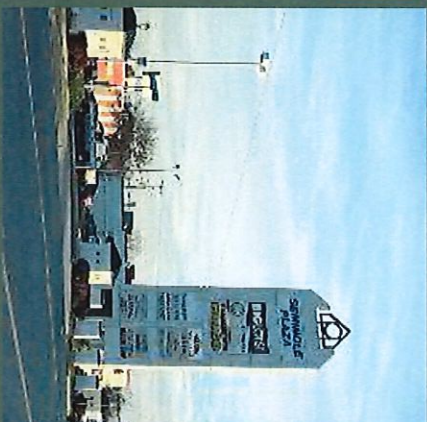
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- Business interests
- Property owners
- Institutions



Discussion:

- Your hopes for this study?
- Issues/ Opportunities you see?
- What will success look like?





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