Georgetown-Scott County Planning Commission

Agriculture and Environment Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday April 20th, 2016

In Attendance: Matt Summers, Staff Joe Kane, Director

Whitley Wolfe, Staff Blanche Overton Rick Hostetler Cindy King

William Offutt William Richardson

The meeting convened in the planning office at 5PM

Welcome & Introductions

Matt welcomed everyone to the meeting and discussed the focus for the meeting. The meeting would focus on the comments from the June 14th Public Meeting and a review of buffers and rural and commercial nodes. He also discussed the work plan for the remainder of the year.

Review Comments from the Public Meeting

Matt discussed some of the action items from the meeting on June 14th from the public meeting. The biggest amount of comments noted regarded recycling. The need for a variety of recycling and also city-wide recycling as well. There were comments about conditional use comments, sewer & septic systems, and quite a few other ones as well.

Buffers

Matt discussed the next section of the meeting which was about buffers. The first type of buffer discussed was the Greenbelt. The Greenbelt is a line that the USB won't move past to try to not merge with Lexington. It follows the 820 south and then extends east past US 25. The 820 contour runs all the way to the bypass in some cases. The next buffer is the Landscaping buffer. It acts as a divide between urban and rural. Some of the committee had asked about certain restrictions about tree lines, and the necessity for other residential areas to have them to separate businesses to the surrounding homes.

Rural and Commercial Nodes

Matt discussed the last activity which will be a mapping activity to look at which areas that will be appropriate for residential or small commercial growth in the rural areas. The committee spent time to discuss areas where these types of growth is appropriate for the nodes. The committee looked at residential areas right outside city limits that would be a good start to look at these types of changes.

There was no other business to discuss and the meeting was adjourned.