

Resolution

07-21

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners of Queen Anne's County and the County Planning Commission are about to embark on a comprehensive planning process for our County. The updated comprehensive plan should be meaningful and not merely "advisory" when actual decisions are made about zoning and development.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 23 day of October, 2007 by the County Commissioners of Queen Anne's County, as follows:

First, RESOLVED, that as County Commissioners that we will give our most careful attention and consideration to the updated comprehensive plan when it comes to us from the Planning Commission. We will use our best efforts on the vital matter of planning for our County's future.

Second, RESOLVED, that when we come to enact any zoning ordinance based on the updated plan, we will respect the plan and enact a zoning ordinance that is true to the spirit and substance of the plan. We will be looking to conform to the plan, not to evade it.

Third, RESOLVED, that we call upon the Planning Commission to promptly amend the subdivision and site plan regulations to provide that development in this County shall henceforth proceed in conformity with the County's comprehensive plan. We already have on the books a similar requirement for development in the Kent Narrows planning district and other planning districts in the County – now we want to make that requirement applicable County-wide.

Specifically, we ask the Planning Commission to review and make recommendation to us on an amendment to Chapter 18 in substantially the form as follows (defined terms italicized):

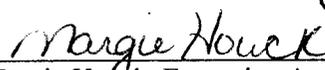
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Development in Conformity with Comprehensive Plan

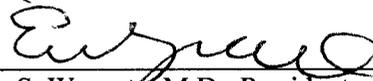
All *development* shall conform to the *comprehensive plan*. The *Planning Commission* or *Planning Director* may not approve a *site plan* under Article XXV or a *subdivision* under Article XXVI unless it finds that the *development* conforms to the visions, objectives, and policies of the *comprehensive plan*.

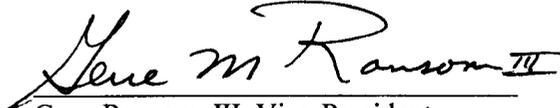
WITNESS the hands and seals of the County Commissioners of Queen Anne's County the day and year above written.

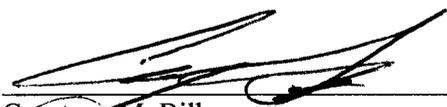
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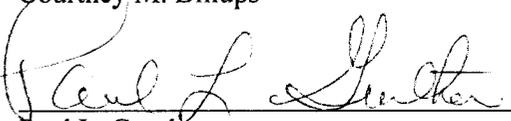

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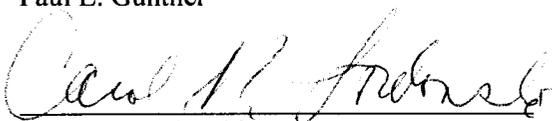
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