PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE MEETING
AGENDA

June 4, 2019
4:30 P.M.

[meeting will either immediately precede or follow the Real Estate, Facilities, & Land Management Committee meeting, which is also scheduled at 4:30 pm].

Oconee County Administrative Offices
Council Chambers
415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes:
   • March 5, 2019
3. Discussion Items [to include Vote and/or Action on matters brought up for discussion, if required]
   • Growth Development Strategies – Mr. Adam Chapman
   • Hwy 123 Corridor Plan Update – Mr. Adam Chapman
   • Comprehensive Plan Update – Mr. Adam Chapman
   • Economic Development Update – Ms. Janet Hartman
4. Unfinished Business
5. New Business [to include Vote and/or Action on matters brought up for discussion, if required]
6. Adjourn

There will not be a scheduled opportunity for public to comment at this meeting. Council members will discuss recommendations from the Administrator at this meeting. If time permits at the end of the meeting [and at the Committee Chair’s discretion] the Committee may take questions from the public.

[This agenda is not inclusive of all issues which the Committee may bring up for discussion at this meeting.]

Assisted Listening Devices [ALD] are available to accommodate the special needs of citizens attending meetings held in Council Chambers. ALD requests should be made to the Clerk to Council at least 30 minutes prior to the meeting start time.

Oconee County Council & Committee meeting schedules and agendas are posted at the Oconee County Administration Building and are available on the County Council Website www.oconeesc.com/council.html [All upcoming meetings will be held in Council Chambers unless otherwise noted]
GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY: ENTRY CORRIDORS

Planning & Economic Development Committee
June 4th, 2019
AGENDA

I. Motive
II. Define
III. Locate
IV. Scope
V. Matrix
VI. Process
VII. Questions
**MOTIVE**

- Promote
- Preserve
- Protect
**Entry**: the act of entering

**Corridor**: an area or stretch of land identified by a specific common characteristic or purpose

Source: Merriam-Webster
LOCATE

Entry corridors identified by staff

- 130
- 107
- 28
- 76
- 123 (to Clemson / to Georgia)
- Exits 1, 2, “3”, 4
- West Cherry Rd.
- 93 (at Seneca Creek Rd.)
- 11 (to Pickens County)
- Other________________
SCOPE

- Distance
- Width
- Nodes
What should the Entry Corridors address?

Community Identity

- Vegetative Buffers
- Billboards
- Landscaping / Tree protection
- Architectural design **
- Building placement
- Access

- Parking
- Connectivity
- Lighting
- Outdoor storage
- Signage
- Uses permitted
- Dumpsters
- Other_________
QUESTIONS & COMMENTS
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN 2030 UPDATE

- Public Input
  - 500+ surveys returned
  - 20+ public meetings
  - 150+ people at the meetings
- Four elements drafted
- Executive summary sub-committee
- Need: Public to come to the meetings
- Schedule: On-time
Reoccurring themes:

- Traffic / Roads
- Jobs
- “Us” versus “Them”
- Drugs / Crime / Blight
- Plan for the future
- Entertainment Options
- Protect
  - Natural Resources
  - Property Rights
  - Appearance of the County
HIGHWAY 123 STUDY UPDATE

- Excellent Community Participation
- Status: Finishing final draft ETA late June
- Major takeaways:
  - Dedicated bus-stops
  - Turn lanes
  - Shared access / frontage roads
  - Multi-use sidewalks
  - Greenways
Project #2: Right turn lanes

Project #3: Designated bus stops with pedestrian access
New development could be accessed in one consolidated location where it is safe for turning vehicles to enter and exit Hwy 123.

Potential Future Vision with Access Road
Native plantings and pollinator species would help restore the natural environment.

Green nodes could be established along the trail for passive use.

Utilize branding and signage concepts from Destination Osceola plan.

Coordinate with utility company to understand design standards around power equipment.

Potential walking and biking connection provides travel options and recreational space.
Utilize branding and signage concepts from Destination Oconee plan

Bridge face could be enhanced with stone facing with limited structural impact

Intentional landscaping to include native species and pollinators
Intent/Rationale

Georgetown County, SC

It is the intent of this section to establish and delineate areas within unincorporated, commercially zoned Georgetown County, which shall be identified as “Commercial Corridor Overlay Zones.” The purpose of establishing these zones is to identify areas of the county which clearly reflect its cultural heritage and most significant built and natural environments; to promote the preservation and enhancement of these features; to foster visual and design continuity; to promote education and preservation of the general welfare; to ensure harmonious and orderly growth and development; and to strengthen the local economy by stabilizing and improving property values.

Dorchester County, SC

The Transitional Overlay District (TOD) provides regulatory guidelines for managing and adapting lands along major transportation corridors in the County to the normal development pressures of economic growth, in order to assure appropriate functional and visual transitions occur along these corridors between existing agricultural and residential uses and future non-residential development. These guidelines are intended to achieve the following objectives at a minimum:

(A) To protect the existing residential environment and visual character of these corridors to the maximum practical extent, while accommodating commercial development at preferred locations which have been designated and designed to minimize traffic congestion and other potentially adverse environmental impacts;
(B) To encourage and better articulate positive visual experiences where development is proposed along the County's major existing and proposed traffic arteries, to provide for the continued safe, ecologically sound and efficient utilization of same;
(C) To promote development that is compatible with the function, intensity, and design of existing development within the general area bounded by line of sight;
(D) To provide adequate transportation service for proposed land uses, with maximum safety, while minimizing disruption to the natural and human environment; and
(E) To foster a livable environment that displays the highest quality private and public sector development.

Asheville, NC

It is the intent of this Haywood Road Form District to:

1. Where feasible, preserve and enhance existing buildings and structures along the Corridor.
2. Ensure a high quality of development for new construction;
3. Reduce the bulk and mass of buildings;
4. Ensure adequate distribution of height and mass throughout the Corridor, with larger buildings located closer to Patton Avenue;
5. Allow for a mix of uses at a variety of scales;
6. Promote additional housing types and housing opportunities;
7. Make the Corridor more walkable and pedestrian-friendly;
8. Implement the complete streets model by enhancing multi-modal transportation options, including transit, bicycle and pedestrian connections;
9. Calm traffic and improve vehicular circulation;
10. Support existing businesses;
11. Ensure adequate transitions from the Corridor to adjacent residential neighborhoods.

Charlottesville, VA

The purpose of these entrance corridor design guidelines is to provide a tool for property owners, developers, designers and the Entrance Corridor Review Board (ERB) to create, review and build quality new buildings or renovate existing structures along Charlottesville’s major entrance corridors. The intent of these guidelines and the review process is to ensure a quality of development compatible with the City’s historic, architectural, and cultural resources.

St. Augustine, FL

To enhance the total visitor experience and provide for continuing economic development opportunities, the city, supported by neighborhood businesses, residents and elected officials, has elected to expand architectural standards in ordinance from to these entry corridors, including: San Marco Avenue, King Street and Anastasia Boulevard. The city has unique characteristics that distinguish it from “anywhere USA”. Large corporations commonly use a building architecture and design that are symbolic to their corporations but not to the characteristics of St. Augustine. These standards are intended to guide public and private development activities in a coordinated manner. They address open-space/streetscape development as well as private building and site appearances. Attention to regulate design character generally encourages economic development. In these corridors it is hoped to produce similar results to those experienced after the creation of the downtown historic districts.

Cody, WY

The purpose of the entry corridor overlay district is to promote attractive development and redevelopment along the main commercial corridors of the City. The implementation of this overlay zone will help make the community more attractive and livable; improve and maintain property values; enhance the appeal of the City to residents, tourists and other visitors; and promote increased economic activity.

Northfield, MN

Study Purpose and Background Enhancing the gateway corridors into the City of Northfield major roadways is an element of the comprehensive plan embraced by the City in an effort to shape the overall future appearance of the City. The plan for gateways reinforces a positive community identity, guides the preservation of natural areas, and promotes future development along and near gateway corridors into the City of Northfield. Gateways can be enhanced through public realm improvements, private development, or a combination of the two. Public realm improvements take the form of
landscape improvements or enhancements, directional/informational signs or markers, public artwork, monuments, and public infrastructure/bridge improvements. Private development can be guided to improve gateways through city land use controls, site planning standards, architectural guidelines and view shed protection. Gateways can also include architecturally significant buildings, bridge or other infrastructure improvements, monuments, signs, and landscaping.

Kilgore, TX

The ECO (Entry Corridor Overlay) District is established to provide development standards for particular roadway corridor areas which are in addition to those provided by the other zoning districts established by the Kilgore Development Code. The purpose of establishing this entry corridor overlay district is first, to recognize the importance that entryways into the City of Kilgore play in defining the city’s character and, second, to protect the aesthetics of the entryways in the City of Kilgore.
Assessing the Effect of Architectural Design on Real Estate Values: A Qualitative Approach

by

Jason Arden Millhouse

Submitted to the Department of Architecture on August 5, 2005 in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Master of Science in Real Estate Development

ABSTRACT

It has long been known that ‘good’ architecture and quality design are public goods, as they have been shown to increase surrounding property values, create a sense of community, and provide a catalyst for future development. What is less clearly understood is the individual user’s demand and willingness to pay for good architecture; if there is a positive externality to quality architecture on the surrounding buildings, tenants, and bystanders, then there must exist a ‘socially optimal’ level of design that may or may not be equal to the optimal level as measured by the private market. Through interviews with industry leaders and policy makers, and a careful reading of relevant literature, this study seeks to investigate the discrepancy between the socially and privately optimal levels of design, and to determine the degree to which ‘good’ architects or ‘good’ architecture can affect private returns to private developers or owners.

More simply put: does there exist a private market for ‘good’ architecture within the market for real estate?

Thesis Supervisor: Lynn Fisher
Title: Assistant Professor of Real Estate
5.0 CONCLUSION

In examining the market functions of the users, developers, and suppliers of good design, this thesis has shown the effect of good design on real estate property values. What's more, good design has shown to provide value in multiple ways: first, good design can actually command a price premium on a project. If the cost of the design is less than the price premium gained, good design can actually have a positive effect on the financial returns of the building.

Price effects are not the only benefit to good design; there are indirect benefits as well. Good design has shown to increase the visibility of a project, providing a ‘cache’ to users and owners. Good design has also been used as a marketing device, and can increase absorption and decrease vacancy. Finally, good design has been shown to have a positive effect on surrounding property values and bystanders. Good design can be a catalyst for economic development, and in turn make people feel safer in their communities. Taken as a whole, the returns to good design are immense.

What is unclear is the cost of providing good design. Anecdotal evidence suggests that the some architects can actually charge a premium for their design services, while others, in the face of increased
competition, cannot. That premium, however, is based on both the current market conditions for architectural services, as well as the relative name-recognition of the architect amongst the general public.\textsuperscript{15} Well-known architects and designers like Philippe Starck, Frank Gehry, or Richard Meier can charge a much higher premium than the average local architect.

It seems that, to a point, this premium is capitalized into the value of the property. However, literature reviewed in this thesis suggests an "optimal" level of planning such that either an increased or decreased spending on design would result in a decreased overall return. This, however, can only be shown through qualitative analysis.

\textsuperscript{15} Name recognition among developers and the design community seems to have little effect on the fees architects are able to charge. Architects must be known by the general public to truly command a generous price premium for their services.
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### Web addresses for example corridors

1. Dorchester County - [https://www.dorchestercountysc.gov/home/showdocument?id=18816](https://www.dorchestercountysc.gov/home/showdocument?id=18816)
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

6.4.19

WHO WE ARE:

The Oconee Economic Alliance is a public/private nonprofit effort to accelerate job creation and capital investment, increase per capita income, diversify the local tax base, and generate awareness of Oconee County, South Carolina as a business location.
The Oconee Economic Alliance works with existing employers to help them grow in Oconee County and conducts efforts to attract new companies to locate here. From product development to workforce improvement strategies, we work with various community partners to enhance the area's desirability for businesses & residents.
$20M capital investment
125 new jobs
105,000 sq. ft. building
PERRY ELLIS
Rooftop Solar Panel Project
2432 solar panels
83,000 sf. rooftop
**LEGAL NOTICES**

**LEGALS**

Carolina, of the assignment and assumption of an interest in that certain Amended Fee Agreement, dated as of December 1, 2017, such assignment to be from ITECH South, LLC, Eugene Carlton Mims and June Copeland Morris, and such assumption to be by ITECH Buyer, LLC and Parkway Real Estate Holdings South Carolina, LLC, and other matters related thereto.

Said public hearing is to occur at a meeting of the Oconee County Council in the Administration Building, 415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, South Carolina, on May 21, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

All persons having claims against the following estates MUST file their claims on FORM #371ES with the Probate Court of OCONEE County, the address of which is 415 SOUTH PINE STREET ROOM 202 WAlHALA, SC 29691, within eight (8) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice to Creditors or within one (1) year from date of death, whichever is earlier (SCPC 623-301, et seq.), or such persons shall be forever barred as to their claims. All claims are required to be presented in written statements on the prescribed form (FORM #371ES) indicating the name and address of the claimant, the date of death, the nature of any uncertainty as to the claim, and a description of any security as to the claim.

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION**

On July 18, 2019, R. Scott Donald, an officer of South Carolina Department of Revenue, filed a Petition to Revise an Order of Reassessments and Levies on certain assessed property of Donald真人, R. Scott, located at 800 College Ave., Suite 200, Clemson, SC 29631.

To object to the issuance of this permit/license, written protest must be postmarked no later than May 24, 2019.

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION**

Notice is hereby given that Loudmouth, LLC DBA Evolve Kitchen & Table intends to apply to the South Carolina Department of Revenue for a license/permit that will allow the sale and on Premises consumption of Beer & Wine at 360 College Ave., Suite 200, Clemson, SC 29631. To object to the issuance of this license/permit, written protest must be postmarked no later than May 24, 2019.

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION**

Notice is hereby given that Palmetto Pizza & Subs intends to apply to the South Carolina Department of Revenue for a license/permit that will allow the sale and on Premises consumption of Beer & Wine at 1706 SC-11, Fairplay, SC 29643.

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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION**

Notice is hereby given that Pete's Autos intends to apply to the South Carolina Department of Revenue for a license/permit that will allow the sale and on Premises consumption of Beer & Wine at 205 S. Main St., Seneca, SC 29678.

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PUBLISHER'S AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF OCONEE

OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL

IN RE: OCONEE COUNTY PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - MEETING ON MAY 21, 2019
HAS BEEN CANCELLED AND RESCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2019

BEFORE ME the undersigned, a Notary Public for the State and County above named,
This day personally came before me, Hal Welch, who being first duly sworn according
to law, says that he is the General Manager of THE JOURNAL, a newspaper published
Tuesday through Saturday in Seneca, SC and distributed in Oconee County, Pickens
County and the Pendleton area of Anderson County and the notice (of which the annexed
is a true copy) was inserted in said papers on 05/15/2019
and the rate charged therefore is not in excess of the regular rates charged private
individuals for similar insertions.

[Signature]
Hal Welch
General Manager

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
05/15/2019

[Signature]
Jennifer A. White
Notary Public
State of South Carolina
My Commission Expires February 13, 2028

JENNIFER A WHITE
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The Budget, Finance, & Administration Committee at 4:30 p.m. on the following dates: April 2, April 9, April 23, May 7, May 21, & June 4, 2019.

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415 S. Fairplay St., Seneca, SC 29678
$59,900
This home is a 3 bedroom and 2 bath home in downtown Seneca. Great older home with character. Needs some tender, loving, care and is sold "As Is". MLS#:20211054
Welchert Realtors
In The Golden Corner
Call 864-985-1445

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BEFORE ME the undersigned, a Notary Public for the State and County above named, This day personally came before me, Hal Welch, who being first duly sworn according to law, says that he is the General Manager of THE JOURNAL, a newspaper published Tuesday through Saturday in Seneca, SC and distributed in Oconee County, Pickens County and the Pendleton area of Anderson County and the notice (of which the annexed is a true copy) was inserted in said papers on 01/12/2019 and the rate charged therefore is not in excess of the regular rates charged private individuals for similar insertions.

[Signature]
Hal Welch
General Manager

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 01/12/2019

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Kelsie Beebe
Notary Public
State of South Carolina
My Commission Expires February 13, 2028