Capital Project Advisory Committee Report to the Planning Commission & County Council

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ACTIVITIES:

CPAC:
- Meets monthly reviewing & scoring Capital Projects
- Department Heads invited to the meetings to answer committee member questions

CPAC adopted the following new categories to classify projects:
- Short Term Economic Development Projects
- Ongoing Long Term Economic Development Projects
- Public Service & Operation Projects
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IMPROVEMENTS:

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The Committee also voted unanimously to adjust the weighted scoring criteria shifting more emphasis on Economic Development scoring to be more consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and Strategic Plan.
Capital Improvement Project Listing

Capital Improvement Projects [CIP] list:
- Projects pending review/scoring by CPAC
- Project removed from pending list - scored
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PROJECT REVIEWED BY CPAC

Public Service / Operation Projects:
  PRT / Campsite Renovations for High Falls County Park
  Solid Waste / Expansion of Salem Manned Convenience Center

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Questions?
Oconee County
Capital Project Advisory Committee

Report to the
Oconee County Planning Commission
November 5, 2012
&
Oconee County Council
November 20, 2012

The Capital Project Advisory Committee [CPAC] as outlined in the Oconee County Code of
Ordinances, Chapter 2, Division VIII, Sec. 2-397 states that …. The committee shall at least bi-annually
report to County Council on the state of all capital projects in the county, whether completed, in process
or proposed.

FORMATION:

The formation of the CPAC was established by ordinance in August 2010. The Committee is
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ACTIVITIES:

As part of CPAC’s responsibilities they compiled and established the Capital Improvement
Projects [CIP] listing provided as Attachment A. The CIP includes three sections:
- Projects pending review/scoring by CPAC
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- Projects removed from pending list either funded, ongoing or completed

The CPAC continues to meet monthly reviewing & scoring potential Capital Projects as outlined
on the CIP. As part of the process, Department Heads are invited to the meetings to both provide
additional information and to answer committee member questions prior to and during discussions
related to the scoring of the project.
Since the last report in March 2012, the CPAC has continued to review and update the CIP which is provided annually to the Planning Commission and County Council during the budget preparation each fiscal year. Detailed discussions took place regarding how to prioritize projects. The Committee initially adopted three classifications: High, Medium, and Low. After presentation of several projects and lengthy discussion by the Committee members during their review/scoring of the projects it was agreed that their prioritization method be amended as follows:

- Short Term Economic Development Projects
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The Committee noted that a project could appear in one or more categories with this method; however, would be scored in the agreed upon primary category. After adoption of this categorization method the CIP Listing [and any projects that had been previously scored] was updated to reflect these changes.

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A summary report of the reviewed / scored projects is provided as Attachment B.

After final scoring by the CPAC, the Committee forwards each project to the Planning Commission with all backup material included for their full review. The CPAC will continue to review the CIP, receive and evaluate project questionnaires and make additions/deletions as necessary to maintain an accurate listing of proposed capital projects for the Oconee County Planning Commission and County Council’s review and possible funding.

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For Discussion Purposes Only

Note: this draft is formatted to illustrate how the standards would look as part of the adopted Code of Ordinances, and contains both existing and proposed language

Sec. 38-11.2. I-85 Overlay District.

Title: I-85 overlay district.
Definition: The I-85 overlay district is not intended to be a separate zoning district, but shall be assigned to those areas county council has determined to be essential to the future economic prosperity and general well being of all Oconee citizens.
Intent: The overlay is intended to promote development that reflects the best building and site design practices in a manner that will maintain the greatest marketability of the area over time, while limiting any negative effects that may impact the existing lifestyle of the area's citizens.
Boundary: The boundaries of the I-85 overlay district shall be shown on the Official Oconee County Zoning Map:

The I-85 overlay district shall be divided into the following sub-districts:
(a) Carolina Gateway (Interstate 85).
(b) Fair Play Village.
(c) Cleveland Creek.

Standards:

1) No new residential subdivision development consisting of more than ten (10) residential housing units proposed for any sub-district of the I-85 Overlay shall have a gross density not greater than one dwelling unit per acre, unless otherwise specified.
2) Sexually Oriented Businesses, as defined by the Unified Performance Standards Chapter of the Oconee County Code of Ordinances, shall not be located in the I-85 Overlay District.

The following standards shall apply within one or more of the sub-districts of the I-85 Overlay, as specified:

1) Carolina Gateway Sub-district:
   A. The regulations contained within Appendix A of this Chapter shall apply in their entirety to all non-residential uses within the Carolina Gateway (Interstate 85) overlay, excluding agriculture uses.

2) Fair Play Village Sub-district:
   A. All new primary and accessory residential buildings proposed to be located within the boundaries of the Fair Play Village Sub-district shall be subject to the following standards:
      1. Maximum Density: Two (2) Dwelling Units per acre
      2. Setbacks: Front – Twenty Five (25) Feet; Side – Five (5) Feet; Rear –
Ten (10) Feet

B. All new lots/parcels shall have a minimum lot width on road frontage of one hundred (100) feet.

C. All structures and properties located in the Fair Play Village Overlay constructed, installed or maintained in such a manner as to permit the harborage of rodents, mosquitoes, or any other pest or vermin, shall within 30 days of notification (by certified mail) by the Zoning Administrator repair, upgrade, clean or otherwise improve the structure or property so as to mitigate the situation. In the event the owner of a structure deemed to be in violation of this standard can demonstrate the need for additional time beyond 30 days from the date of notification to complete necessary work, provided all imminent hazards to residents and the public have been mitigated, the Zoning Administrator may grant up to an additional 60 days for completion.

D. Proposed structures to be located in the Fair Play Village Sub-district subsequent to the adoption of this standard shall be subject to the following:

1. All non-residential and non-agricultural structures and uses shall conform to the standards established in Appendix A of this Chapter, and excepting those required by this or any other Chapter of the Oconee County Code of Ordinances to be approved as a Special Exception by the Oconee County Board of Zoning Appeals, shall be subject to review and approval by the Oconee County Planning Commission.

2. Single-family residential developments proposed to consist of greater than two (2) units, and all multi-family residential developments, shall be subject to review and approval by the Oconee County Planning Commission.

3. Proposed structures, of any type, intended for occupancy shall meet the following standards:

   i. Foundations and/or underpinning shall be constructed of concrete, masonry (brick or block), or similar material, and designed so as to provide a continuous, permanent, and attractive impediment to the harborage of rodents and vermin.

   ii. A lawn or landscaped area cleared of weeds, excess undergrowth, and any other materials or debris that may attract rodents, mosquitoes, and other potential threats to occupants and/or the public shall be established for each residential unit prior to final approval for occupation.

   iii. Access to residences shall be from an all-weather driveway and/or parking area.

4. New development proposed to be located in the area delineated on the Official Zoning Map as the ‘Village Center’ of the Fair Play Village Sub-district shall, in addition to all other standards applicable to the Fair Play Village Sub-district, be subject to the following:

   i. Orientation: All new primary residential structures located in the Village Center shall be oriented to the public thoroughfare.

   ii. All industrial uses shall be approved as a Special Exception by the Board of Zoning Appeals.
iii. The height of all proposed structures shall be no greater than thirty (30) feet, to be determined by measures approved in adopted building codes.

iv. Free-standing signage of any type subject to permit by this Chapter of the Code of Ordinances, to include monument or other signage not attached to or otherwise supported by a primary structure, shall not exceed seven (7) feet in height above grade. No signage shall be situated or installed on a berm or other elevated surface or device intended to increase the height of a sign subject to this standard.
Summary of the Proposed New Standards for the Fair Play Village Sub-district of the I-85 Overlay

Standards 1-7 (below) would apply to all of the Fair Play Village Sub-district:

1. Rodents and Vermin- Proposal: Properties required to be maintained to avoid rodents, mosquitoes, and vermin. Violators notified by certified mail from Zoning Administrator will have 30 days to mitigate; up to additional 60 days can be granted for cause.

2. Commercial/Industrial Design Standards- Proposal: All new non-residential and non-agricultural projects will be subject to the same standards governing similar projects in the Carolina Gateway Sub-District (parking, landscaping, building standards, lighting, signage, etc.)


4. Planning Commission Review of Significant Residential Development- Proposal: All new multi-family projects, and all single-family projects larger than 2 units, have to be approved by Planning Commission

5. Underpinning and Foundations- Proposal: All new residences, businesses, and other occupied structures must have a concrete or masonry foundation sufficient to keep out rodents and vermin.

6. Weeds and Debris- Proposal: A lawn or landscaped area free of weeds, undergrowth, and debris must be established prior to approval of all new residences, businesses and other occupied structures.

7. Driveways- Proposal: New residences, businesses, and other occupied structures must be accessed by an all-weather driveway or parking area.

In addition to the standards above, 8-12 (below) would apply to the area designated as the village center of the Fair Play Village Sub-district:

8. Orientation of New Homes- Proposal: New residences must be oriented toward the public thoroughfare.

9. New Industrial Projects Approved as Special Exception: Proposal: All industrial projects must be approved as a Special Exception by the Board of Zoning Appeals

10. Building Height- Proposal: Limit the height of new structures to 30 feet (measured by adopted building codes).

11. Sign Height- Proposal: Free-standing signs limited to 7’ in height above grade.
Date: November 5, 2012

To: Chairman Thrift, Members of County Council, Mr. Moulder, and Mrs. Hulse

From: Josh Stephens, Community Development

Re: Planning Commission Recommendation concerning CPAC project listing and Fair Play sub-district

The Planning Commission held a meeting on Monday November 5th, 2012 so discuss the CPAC project listing and proposed changes to the Fair Play sub-district. After Mr. Moulder and Mr. Rau delivered the CPAC Report, the Commission voted 6-0 to recommend that no changes be made in regards to how CPAC listed Pending Projects and Scored Projects.

Mr. Tim Mays, a member of the Fair Play community, delivered a presentation concerning proposed changes to the Fair Play sub-district. Following the presentation, the Commission voted 6-0 to recommend that County Council take first reading on the proposed changes. Attached is a summary of the proposed changes.

Thank you for your consideration of these recommendations, and I look forward to seeing each of you on the 20th. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have.

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