

**Work Session Agenda
Staunton City Council
Caucus Room
September 8, 2016
6:15 p.m.**

Invocation/Moment of Silence—Obenschain

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| 6:15 p.m. | 1. | Consideration of Work Session and Regular Meeting Agendas |
| 6:20 p.m. | 2. | Discussion of Lottery for Localities |
| 6:30 p.m. | 3. | Economic Development Update |
| 6:40 p.m. | 4. | Shenandoah Valley Partnership's Familiarization Tour |
| 6:50 p.m. | 5. & C | Discussion of a Resolution Establishing the Percentage of Relief at 41% for Purposes of the Personal Property Tax Relief Act (PPTRA) |
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Council Chambers
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Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor's Report

Proclamation—National Suicide Prevention Week

Additional Items by Members of Council

Approval of Minutes

Work Session and Regular Meeting of August 25, 2016

REGULAR MEETING

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Matters from the City Manager

Matters from the Public

Adjournment

CITY COUNCIL



AGENDA BRIEFING

Staunton, VA

Meeting Date:	September 8, 2016	City Council
Item #	1	
Ordinance #		
Department:	City Council	
Subject:	Work Session and Regular Meeting Agendas	

Background: Consistent with Procedural Memorandum No. 3, recently amended by Council at its organizational meeting on July 1, 2016, attached are draft meeting agendas for City Council's consideration and for approval as Council prefers.

Suggested Motion: I move to approve the Work Session agenda and the Regular Meeting agenda [as presented] [with the following changes: as to the Work Session, the addition/deletion of _____; as to the Regular Session, the addition/deletion of _____].

City Manager: Stephen F. Owen

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Staunton, VA

Meeting Date:	September 8, 2016	Mayor Carolyn Dull
Item #	2	
Ordinance #		
Department:	City Council	
Subject:	Lottery for Localities	

Background: At the request of Mayor Dull, this item has been added to City Council's work session agenda for discussion. Mayor Dull and other members of Council received the attached email from Greg Eanes, Mayor of the Town of Crew, communicating a proposal, also attached, to allocate five percent of total lottery sales in each locality to that locality. Virginia Lottery representatives have informed staff that lottery sales in the City of Staunton in FY 2015 totaled \$6,965,913. Five percent of that figure—the amount to be transferred to the city were the proposed changes to the lottery implemented—would be \$348,296. If Council is inclined to support the proposal, it can be included in Council's legislative program, to be considered later this calendar year.

Attachments:

- 1—Email from Greg Eanes
- 2—Letter dated July 14, 2006, to Senator Frank Ruff and Delegate Thomas C. Wright, Jr.

City Manager's Recommendation: Not applicable.

Suggested Motion: Not applicable.

City Manager: Stephen F. Owen

Steve Rosenberg

To: Steve Rosenberg
Subject: FW: A Lottery for Localities
Attachments: Lottery for Localities Letter to Legislators.pdf

From: mayor@townofcrewe.com [mayor@townofcrewe.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 07, 2016 1:41 PM
To: Carolyn W. Dull
Subject: A Lottery for Localities

To:
The Honorable Carolyn W. Dull
Mayor, City of Staunton

Members of Council

Subject: Lottery for Localities Effort

Greetings;

Attached for your information is a formal request from the elected leadership of the Nottoway County communities to their legislators requesting a change in the current Virginia state law to allow a five percent return of lottery sales to Virginia localities. This plan, as proposed, will not take away money from the school systems.

We believe this proposal will be of benefit to all localities in the Commonwealth and urge your offices, local town and city councils and County Boards of Supervisors to go on record in support, by contacting your state representatives and by urging the Virginia Municipal League and Virginia Association of Counties to make it a part of their 2017 legislative agenda.

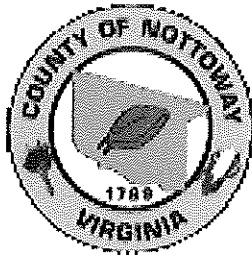
The only way to accurately estimate what additional general revenues your Towns and County could have received in 2015 (had this proposal been in place) is by knowing the total lottery sales from your local vendors. We recommend you request from the Va Lottery the total 2015 lottery sales for your locality to see what 5% might mean to your general revenue budget.

I will be glad to speak on this proposal with you or any member of the city staff that you direct.

with warmest regards,

Greg Eanes
Mayor
Town of Crewe
Home: 434-645-1722
Cell: 434-298-1238

*A Joint Petition
from the representatives of the citizens of Nottoway County, Virginia*



344 West Courthouse Road
P.O. Box 92
Nottoway, Va 23933
434-645-8696
nottoway@nottoway.org

Senator Frank Ruff
P.O. Box 332
Clarksville, VA 23927

14 July 2016

Delegate Thomas C. Wright, Jr.
P.O. Box 1323
Victoria, Va 23974

Subject: Lottery for Localities



100 West Elm Street
Blackstone, Va 23824
434-292-7251
Info@townofblackstoneva.com

Gentlemen;

We are requesting a 'Lottery for Localities'. Specifically we are requesting legislation that will allocate 5% of total lottery sales back to the general revenue funds of localities where those sales originated. It is envisioned the allocation will be culled from total sales and subtracted from that portion of the lottery pool designated as the 'prize pool' (approximately 60.6% of sales). In this way, the public school funding allocation (approximately 29% of sales) is untouched. No monies are diverted from public education by our formula.



224 Second Street
Burkeville, Va 23922
434-767-4095
Burkeville1@embarqmail.com

The attached background paper and plan provides facts in regards to the Virginia State Lottery in Nottoway County (as a case study of a Virginia community). It outlines what we envision as a course for action that will benefit all Virginia's localities and Virginia's citizens. This plan has been presented to the governing bodies of the three towns and the county. These governing bodies have voted for support of this plan and seek legislation that will implement this concept to the benefit of all Virginians.



125 East Carolina Ave.
Crewe, Va 23930
434-645-9453
creweva@embarqmail.com

The revenue infusion a 'Lottery for Localities' can provide to local governments will have a positive impact for cash strapped rural communities facing an ever shrinking business and community tax base while demands for public services rise. We feel this is a discussion that needs to be initiated across the Commonwealth with local governments and state officials. We are open to constructive dialogue and suggestions on how make this concept a reality.

By copy of this letter, we are formally requesting the Virginia Municipal League and the Virginia Association of Counties to make this legislation a priority on their respective legislative agenda for the 2017 session.

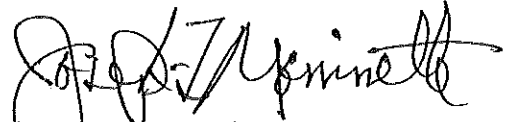
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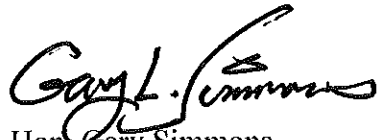
Hon. Greg Eanes
Mayor
Town of Crewe



Hon. William C. Coleburn
Mayor
Town of Blackstone



Hon. Joe Morrisette
Mayor
Town of Burkeville



Hon. Gary Simmons
Chairman
Nottoway County Board of Supervisors

Cc:

Virginia Municipal League
P.O. Box 12164
Richmond, Va 23241

Virginia Association of Counties
1207 East Main Street, Suite 300
Richmond, Va 23219-3627

Hon. Riley E. Ingram
Chair, Cities, Counties and Towns
3302 Oaklawn Boulevard
Hopewell, Va 23860

Sen. Thomas K. Norment
Co-Chair, Senate Finance
P.O. Box 6205
Williamsburg, Va 23188

Hon. Chris S. Jones
Chair, Appropriations Committee
P.O. Box 5059
Suffolk, Va 23435-0059

Sen. Bill Stanley
Chair, Local Government
13508 Booker T. Washington
Highway
Moneta, Va 24121

Sen. Emmett Hanger
Co-Chair, Senate Finance
P.O. Box 2
Mount Solon, Va 22843-0002

Lottery for Localities

A Course for Action

1. Background: The Virginia State Lottery is a \$1.8 billion¹ state run enterprise. The sales of lottery tickets are untaxed by localities. The lottery been referred to as a 'backdoor tax' or 'regressive tax' in which the poor give money to the state government.² Lottery spending drains rural communities of dollars that might otherwise be spent energizing our local economies by generating local retail sales as well as meals, gas and lodging taxes for our local general revenue. Virginia Lottery disbursements for calendar year 2015 resulted in an estimated \$1.166 billion (60.6%) devoted to prizes; \$103 million (5.6%) was paid out to retailers and \$90.8 million (4.9%) was devoted to operating costs. That left \$533.8 million (28.9%) to be distributed to Virginia's public school systems in accordance to a state formula.³

2. Local Sales: In response to a request for information, the Virginia Lottery submitted the data below reflecting the Nottoway County calendar year 2015 sales of Virginia Lottery tickets.⁴

	we're game virginia lottery	OFFICIAL LOTTERY RECORD TOTAL SALES: CERTAIN ZIP CODES CALENDAR YEAR 2015
<u>ZIP Code</u>		<u>Total Sales</u>
23824		\$3,676,892.25
23922		\$495,168.25
23930		<u>\$2,035,514.50</u>
Sum:		\$6,207,575.00

3. Local Education Return: The \$6.2 million in local sales results in just over \$2 million a year returning to Nottoway County Schools. Lottery proceeds are paid to the county school system twice a month. The formula used by the lottery to return monies to school systems is not based on locality sales but on a student per capita formula. For example, Fairfax County, the fastest growing county in Virginia and among the ten richest in the nation, received over \$36 million in lottery proceeds in FY2015.⁵

¹ 2015 figures from the Virginia State Lottery website. \$1.844 billion in sales.

² It is not our intent to suggest the lottery should be abolished, only to make an observation.

³ See Virginia Lottery website for the overall breakdown.

⁴ Phone inquiry and E-mail dated 19 May 2016, Greg Eanes to Amy Roper, Policy, Process and Legal Document Administrator, Va State Lottery; E-mail response dated 23 May from Roper to Eanes, with attachment.

⁵ See Virginia Lottery for payouts, https://www.valottery.com/playing_matters.aspx.

4. Prior Efforts at Taxation: In the 2012 Legislative Session Senator Frank Ruff proposed a bill for a sales tax on the purchase of lottery tickets. The Virginia Municipal League supported the measure. The Virginia Lottery opposed the bill and was successful in defeating the bill during the Senate Finance Committee hearing. VML Director of Fiscal Policy Neal Menkes says, "To the best of my knowledge no attempt has been made since 2012."⁶

5. Virginia Constitution: VML advises the Virginia Constitution, specifically Article X, Section 7-A *"explicitly identifies public education as the sole purpose of Lottery proceeds."* The Virginia General Assembly can redirect a portion of the Lottery Proceeds Fund for other purposes but it requires a 4/5 majority vote in both Houses (32 Senators and 80 House members).⁷ The power to change the formula to benefit all Virginia communities rests with the Virginia General Assembly.

6. Observations: Using 2015 lottery sales figures, if the Nottoway County lottery sales were taxed at 5% or had a 5% kick-back to locality general revenue funds, the county and towns would take in \$310,378.74.⁸ It is envisioned the 5% formula be split between the County and the Towns with the County receiving 40% of the total revenues generated in the incorporated towns and 100% of total revenues generated by retail outlets outside of the towns. Using 2015 sales figures this would result in the following (estimated):

Blackstone	\$110,306.77 (-)
Burkeville	\$15,455.05
Crewe	\$61,065.43
Nottoway County	\$124,151.49 (+)
Grand Total	\$310, 978.74

Note: Three of the 23824 outlets are outside of Blackstone and in the County therefore the actual total for Blackstone would be less and the total for the county would be more. The data used was requested from the Lottery based on the zip codes of the Lottery retail outlets.

While larger communities might view these amounts as 'chump change', they do represent significant sums to rural communities. If Crewe received an additional \$61,000 it could pay down the debt from government mandates, improve infrastructure, etc. These are monies that could help town governments take care of big ticket items and desired community development projects which it seldom has funds to address.

Using 2015 figures, state lottery total sales were \$1.844 billion. Pulling off 5% off the total sales would result in \$92,200,000 that could be returned to localities.

Taking \$92.2 million from the 2015 prize payout portion *only* would reduce the payout fund from \$1.166 billion to 1.073 billion and does not take away from the amount returned to local

⁶ E-mail dated 19 May 2016 from Neal Menkes to Eanes.

⁷ Ibid.

⁸ Of course this would fluctuate depending on annual sales. The estimated 5% levy on 2015 sales for the 23824 zip code would equate to \$183,844.61; on 23922 sales equates to \$24,758.41 and 23930 sales at \$101,775.73.

school systems.⁹ Lottery jackpots are announced ahead of sales. The diversion of the 5% of sales is invisible to individual players and will not impact those announcements nor deter people from playing the lottery.

Lottery returns to localities should be based on local sales and not a per capita basis. In this way, we in the locality only get a percentage of what is generated in our localities.

Further, the lottery funds that come to the localities should be unrestricted and for our general revenue to address local needs.

This should be viewed as a bi-partisan effort which benefits all Virginia's taxpayers and local governments regardless of the size of their populations.

7. Proposed Course of Action:

- a. Enact legislation to allocate 5% of total lottery sales to the localities in which the sales are made.
 - i. Only the prize payout portion of the funds will be impacted (trimmed from 60.6% to 55.6% of total lottery allocations);
 - ii. These funds are to be culled by the Virginia Lottery from sales and placed in a separate 'Lottery for Localities' fund until payout;
 - iii. Payouts to localities to be made on a quarterly basis;
 - iv. Payouts to localities will go to incorporated town, county or city general revenue funds, based on total lottery sales in those localities;
 - v. Payouts to localities will be unrestricted in how they are spent.
 - vi. County governments would receive up to 40% of incorporated town lottery proceeds unless the county government opts for a lower percentage at the local level.
- b. Phased Implementation:
 - i. Legislation passed in the 2017 session will take effect on 1 July 2017.
 - ii. It is envisioned the 5% would be culled from the last six months of 2017 sales and these could be paid by 15 January 2018 with follow-on payments after every quarter.

⁹ It is envisioned the new formula could be locked in as follows: Prize Pool, 55.6%, Lottery for Localities Fund, 5%, Retailers, 5.6%, Operating Costs, 4.9% and Public School Fund, 28.9%.

- iii. This phased implementation gives the Virginia State Lottery more than six months to orchestrate the administrative procedures to accommodate the new legislative mandate while building the 'Lottery for Localities' pool.

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CITY COUNCIL



AGENDA BRIEFING

Staunton, VA

Meeting Date:	September 8, 2016	Staff Member: Billy Vaughn
Item #	3	
Ordinance #		
Department:	Economic Development	
Subject:	Economic Development Update	

Background: Billy Vaughn, Economic Development Director, will provide an update to City Council concerning the Economic Development Department's recent activities, including developments at Staunton Crossing and Frontier Center.

City Manager's Recommendation: Not applicable.

Suggested Motion: Not applicable.

City Manager: Stephen F. Owen

CITY COUNCIL



AGENDA BRIEFING

Staunton, VA

Meeting Date:	September 8, 2016	Staff Member: Courtland Robinson
Item #	4	
Ordinance #		
Department:	Economic Development	
Subject:	Shenandoah Valley Partnership's Familiarization Tour	

Background: The Shenandoah Valley Partnership (SVP) is the region's premier economic development marketing agency focusing on business attraction, business expansion and workforce opportunities. To promote new investment in the Shenandoah Valley, SVP is teaming up with its member jurisdictions to host seven site location consultants for a familiarization tour of the Valley, September 14-16, 2016.

Site consultants assist companies with both analytical and qualitative techniques to determine favorable locations for a particular business operation. On behalf of their clients—who are the region's economic development prospects—site location consultants also navigate issues such as workforce demands, supply chain systems and incentives. SVP has been visiting directly with site location consultants since 2012, bringing the Valley's opportunities to major metro areas all over the United States. Now SVP will conduct a two-day tour of the Valley in order to enhance the consultants' awareness of the region's assets.

The event will begin with SVP's biannual Connect Event on Wednesday, September 14, at CrossKeys Vineyards, and continue with CEO Roundtable discussions, industry tours and more. Elected officials are encouraged to attend SVP's Connect Event, get to know the site location consultants, and join us as a region to market our communities to these decision makers.

The attached presentation and invitation include further details concerning the familiarization tour.

Attachments:

- 1—Presentation
- 2—Invitation

City Manager's Recommendation: Not applicable.

Suggested Motion: Not applicable.

City Manager: Stephen F. Owen



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The Partnership

The Shenandoah Valley Partnership is the one-stop economic development resource for businesses seeking expansion or location in Virginia's Shenandoah Valley.

The Partnership focuses on 3 core goals:

- Business Attraction
- Business Expansion
- Workforce Opportunities



The Partnership

The Shenandoah Valley Partnership (SVP) is a **public/private partnership** providing marketing and business assistance for the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. SVP brings together business, government and education leaders to promote new investment, strengthen existing business and guide workforce development.



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Local Government Members:

Counties of Shenandoah, Page, Rockingham, Augusta, Rockbridge, Highland and Bath. Cities of Harrisonburg, Staunton, Waynesboro, Lexington and Buena Vista.

170+

Private Investors:

All higher education institutions in the region contribute. Investors include manufacturing, healthcare, financial, utility, engineering, construction and other businesses.



Familiarization Tour
Virginia's
Shenandoah Valley

September 14-16, 2016

ARRIVAL:

Wednesday, September 14 @ 3pm

FAM TOUR ENDS:

Friday, September 16 @ 2:30pm

EXTEND YOUR STAY

(OPTIONAL):

September 16-18

The Shenandoah Valley Partnership (SVP) is hosting 7 site location consultants for a familiarization tour of the Shenandoah Valley September 14-16, 2016.

Who are Site Location Consultants (SLCs)?

- Site Location Consultants (**SLCs**) assist companies with both analytical and qualitative techniques to determine the most favorable location for a business operation.
- **SLCs** also help with location negotiations and project management once a location is determined.



Where are they from?

- There are hundreds of **SLCs** who have offices all over the globe. Some of the biggest names in the site selection business include Deloitte, Jones Lang LaSalle, PriceWaterhouseCoopers, Site Selection Group, CBRE, among others.
- **SVP** maintains communication with approximately 270 SLCs from locations across the U.S. and around the world.

How do we know them?

- Beginning in 2012, **SVP** began marketing missions to directly visit with **SLCs** in their offices across the U.S.
- Such offices tend to be clustered around major metro areas where consultants have access to international airports and major business clients.



How do we know them?

- Since 2012, **SVP** partners have participated in eight direct marketing missions to **SLCs** in:
 - Atlanta
 - New York
 - Chicago
 - Dallas
- SVP partners also have the opportunity to interact with SLCs on other marketing missions, trade shows, and educational events.

SVP Visits for 19 Marketing Missions & Trade Shows during FY15-16; SLC interaction represented with 112 one-on-one meetings



Which ones are attending?



Patty Rasmussen
Senior Editor
Site Selection Magazine
Concentration: Feature
articles on specific regions
of the world



Hunter Blanks
Executive VP
Colliers International
Concentration: Location
intelligence



Deane C. Foote
President
Foote Consulting
Group
Concentration: Site
selection and economic
development



Tim Feemster
Managing Principal
Foremost Quality
Logistics
Concentration:
Transportation and
logistics

Which ones are attending?



Rhett L. Weiss
Managing Director
Strategic Initiatives
Group
Concentration:
Economic development
and entrepreneurship



Gere Edwards
Consultant
Webster Global Site
Selectors
Concentration: Real
estate



Alison Benton
President
Aliquantus Consulting
Concentration: Site selection and
customized incentive solutions

Why do they need to visit?

- **SVP** is hosting 7 **SLCs** for a two-day familiarization tour in order to enhance SLC awareness of Shenandoah Valley assets, including our:
 - Existing Business
 - Transportation Network
 - Infrastructure
 - Workforce
 - Quality of Life



During their stay, Site Location Consultants will stay at The Iris Inn for a unique “tree house” lodging experience.

**Being “top of mind” will increase our likelihood
for project activity.**

What will they do while they are here?



Nestled in the gently rolling hills of the Shenandoah Valley's historic Cross Keys, and just minutes from Massanutten Resort and downtown Harrisonburg is the beautiful estate of CrossKeys Vineyards. Established in 2008, CrossKeys Vineyards offers a memorable experience with picturesque views and award-winning wines. A private wine cellar dinner with state leadership will follow the Connect Event.

The 7 **SLCs** who are visiting the Shenandoah Valley will kick off their visit with an SVP Connect Event Networking Reception at CrossKeys Vineyards, which will be the region's opportunity to show them a warm Shenandoah Valley welcome.

What will they do while they are here?



SLCs will start each day with:

- Breakfast and Roundtable Discussions with area industry leaders on workforce and business success stories

Afternoon/evening activities will include:

- Tours of two different business operations of their choice
- Time for experiencing the great food, culture and fun that make the Shenandoah Valley such a great place to live, work and play!

What will they do while they are here?



Several of the **SLCs** will bring a spouse or family members. We will customize their activities based on interests. We have also encouraged **SLCs** to extend their stay through the weekend and explore the Shenandoah Valley.

What are good talking points?

You may have the opportunity to meet and network with the **SLCs** while they're visiting. Here are good points of conversation about the Valley's diverse assets:

- Skilled, mobile and adaptable **workforce** cited as the reason for local expansions
- Strong **workforce** programs led by three community colleges and two technical schools
- Great **transportation** network and **market access**: nexus of I-81/I-64; easy access to the Port of Virginia, Virginia Inland Port, I-66, and DC Metro area; two railroads and two short-line rail operators; Shenandoah Valley Airport
- 4 of the 5 top agriculture-producing counties in VA are in Shenandoah Valley contributing to a strong **supply chain**

What are good talking points?

You may have the opportunity to meet and network with the **SLCs** while they're visiting. Here are good points of conversation:

- Over the last fiscal year, \$262.9 million **invested** and 289 **jobs** created
- 14 colleges and universities with access to 24,000 annual **graduates**
- 15% of population is employed in **manufacturing**
- Current **unemployment**: 3.5% (as of June 2016)

What are good questions?

- Have you worked a project in Virginia?
- What types of company projects are you working right now?
- Have you recently seen an increase in international investment activity?





Thank you for your support!

Steve Rosenberg

From: Chenery, Carrie Hileman - chenerch <chenerch@jmu.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2016 5:47 PM
To: Chenery, Carrie Hileman - chenerch
Subject: SVP Update & Connect Event Registration



Dear SVP Investors,

Over the past several months, we have worked collaboratively and successfully throughout the region to promote new investment, strengthen existing business, and guide workforce development to ensure a healthy economic future for the region.

We hope that you will be able to join this momentum for our SVP Fall Connect Networking Event on **Wednesday, September 14th from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm** at [CrossKeys Vineyards](#) in Rockingham County. This event will be exceptional as it coincides with the opening night of our first-ever Shenandoah Valley Familiarization Tour. We will have special activities during the event and more details to come! Members and partners will have the opportunity to connect and network not only with other regional business leaders but also with our site location consultant guests. [Register now!](#)

Annual Meeting Highlights

Our busy fall comes on the heels of an exciting summer as we had a successful Annual Meeting and Board Meeting at Robert E. Lee High School in Staunton last month. Shenandoah Valley native Monica Gray, co-founder and CEO of [DreamWakers](#), inspired the crowd with her keynote remarks as she highlighted how her national organization is using innovative technology in the K-12 system to empower students to explore career pathways.

DreamWakers' efforts tie in nicely with our ongoing workforce efforts throughout the region, and our stronger ties to the entire education and workforce system at all levels. Monica left us all with an important message as we develop our regional talent: "Students can't be what they can't see."

The Annual Meeting also gave us the chance to distribute and review our new FY [2015-2016 Annual Report](#). The report highlighted the outstanding progress we've made in the region this year by launching forward, together, and it includes lasting resources for members to reference and use throughout the coming year.

In keeping with our workforce theme at the Annual Meeting, we also distributed a [Valley Career Hub overview](#). We encourage you to share this interactive resource with your colleagues, and we are looking forward to working with all partners to continue the success of this important initiative.

SVP Marketing Efforts

As we recapped an eventful year, one of the important recent events we hosted was a visit from the international business development team for the Virginia Economic Development Partnership (VEDP). This visit allowed the state team responsible for developing foreign direct investment opportunities in Virginia to experience first-hand economic development opportunities in the Shenandoah Valley.

Guests enjoyed meeting with our I-81 Corridor partners and traveling through the Valley over two days in June to experience our existing business and cultural assets. We then joined the team and our I-81 Corridor partners at the [SelectUSA Conference](#) in Washington, D.C. We are finalizing our FY17 Marketing Calendar plans and look forward to another successful fiscal year telling the Shenandoah Valley story to prospective businesses.

Locality Blog Progress

We hope you are enjoying our monthly blog posts highlighting a different locality in our footprint and the progress towards their [2016 New Year's Resolutions](#). Review the most recent blog post features [here](#), including updates from our partners in Highland County, the City of Lexington, and Page County.

Upcoming Partner Events

The [Annual Valley Business Summit](#), will be held on **Wednesday, August 17th, from 7:30 am to Noon** at Blue Ridge Community College's Plecker Center. Elizabeth Milito, Senior Executive for the National Federation of Independent Business, will deliver the keynote address. The event will also feature a business panel, feedback forum with State Legislators and business resource fair. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

James Madison University is hosting a [VIRTUES Conference](#) (Virginia RoboTics & Unmanned systems Education Summit) on **August 17-18th** at the Lakeview Hall facility located at 298 Port Republic Road. The event will include presentations and group discussions about unmanned systems in the New Virginia Economy. Request your spot today for the event [here](#).

James Madison University's Office of Outreach and Engagement is offering a [SHRM-CP/SHRM-SCP Certification Preparation](#) course from **September 22 - December 15** on Thursdays from 5:45 - 8:45 p.m in Ice House. The course is designed to prepare HR professionals sitting for the SHRM-CP and SHRM-SCP exams. The cost is \$1249 and \$1149 for SHRM Members, but Shenandoah Valley Partnership Members save an extra \$100. Enter code SVP16 at checkout for the discount. [Register now!](#)

Be sure to keep up with good news happening throughout the region on SVP's [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#) platforms. We look forward to seeing you at our Connect Event in September!

Sincerely,



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CITY COUNCIL



AGENDA BRIEFING

Staunton, VA

Meeting Date:	September 8, 2016	Staff Members: Maggie Ragon Jeanne Colvin
Item #	5 & C	
Ordinance #		
Department:	Commissioner of Revenue Finance	
Subject:	Resolution Establishing the Percentage of Relief at 41% for Purposes of the Personal Property Tax Relief Act (PPTRA)	

Background: The Personal Property Tax Relief Act of 1998 (PPTRA) was modified by legislative action taken during the 2004 and 2005 General Assembly sessions. The legislative enactments required the City to take affirmative steps to implement changes and to provide for computation and allocation of relief. The legislative enactments also provided for an appropriation to the City, commencing in 2006, for a fixed sum to be used exclusively for the provision of tax relief to owners of vehicles subject to the City's personal property tax, and to provide the opportunity for the City to fashion a program of tax relief that best serves the citizens.

On April 13, 2006, Council adopted an ordinance that defined procedures and responsibilities for implementing the changes to the PPTRA, including the method of computing the tax relief and allocation of tax relief, plus transitional provisions. The ordinance requires that Council shall set the percentage of tax relief at such a level that is anticipated to fully exhaust PPTRA relief funds provided to the City by the Commonwealth. The Commissioner of Revenue recommends the rate of 41 percent for calendar year 2016. The Commissioner of Revenue, the City Treasurer, and the Chief Financial Officer have worked as a team to bring this matter to Council so as to implement Council's April 13, 2006 ordinance.

Attached is a copy of the April 13, 2006 ordinance, codified as Section 3.10.015 of the Staunton City Code, and a proposed resolution setting the PPTRA rate at 41 percent, as recommended by the Commissioner of Revenue.

Attachments:

1—Personal Property Tax Relief Code

2—Proposed Resolution

City Manager's Recommendation: I concur with the Commissioner of Revenue's recommendation and also recommend that the percentage be established at 41 percent.

Suggested Motion: I move that a resolution, as proposed, be adopted, establishing the Personal Property Tax Relief Act (PPTRA) percentage at 41 percent.

City Manager: Stephen F. Owen

3.10.015 Personal property tax relief.

(1) Purpose – Definitions – Relation to Other Ordinances.

(a) The purpose of this section is to provide for the implementation of the changes to the Personal Property Tax Relief Act of 1998 (PPTRA) effected by legislation adopted during the 2004 Special Session I and the 2005 Regular Session of the General Assembly of Virginia.

(b) Terms used in this section that have defined meanings set forth in PPTRA shall have the same meanings as set forth in the Code of Virginia Section 58.1-3523, as amended.

(c) To the extent that the provisions of this section conflict with any prior ordinance or provision of the city code, this section shall control.

(2) Method of Computing and Reflecting Tax Relief.

(a) For tax years commencing in 2006, the City adopts the provisions of Item 503.E of the 2005 Appropriations Act, providing for the computation of tax relief as a specific dollar amount to be offset against the total taxes that would otherwise be due but for PPTRA and the reporting of such specific dollar relief on the tax bill.

(b) The city council shall, by resolution, set the percentage of tax relief at such level that is anticipated to fully exhaust PPTRA relief funds provided to the city by the Commonwealth of Virginia.

(c) Personal property tax bills shall set forth on their face the specific dollar amount of relief credited with respect to each qualifying vehicle, together with an explanation of the general manner in which relief is allocated.

(3) Allocation of Relief Among Taxpayers.

(a) Allocation of PPTRA relief shall be provided in accordance with the general provisions of this section, as implemented by the specific provisions of a resolution adopted annually, after the personal property tax book is certified by the commissioner of revenue and delivered to the treasurer.

(b) Relief shall be allocated in such a manner as to eliminate personal property taxation of each qualifying vehicle with an assessed value of \$1,000 or less.

(c) Relief with respect to qualifying vehicles with assessed values of more than \$1,000 shall be provided at a percentage, annually fixed and applied to the first \$20,000 in value of each such qualifying vehicle, that is estimated fully to use all available state PPTRA relief.

(4) Transitional Provisions.

(a) Pursuant to authority conferred in Item 503.D of the 2005 Appropriations Act, the city treasurer is authorized to issue a supplemental personal property tax bill, in the amount of 100 percent of tax due without regard to any former entitlement to state PPTRA relief, plus applicable penalties and interest, to any taxpayer whose taxes with respect to a qualifying vehicle for tax year 2005 or any prior tax year remain unpaid on September 1, 2006, or such date as state funds for reimbursement of the state share of such bill have become unavailable, whichever earlier occurs.

(b) Penalty and interest with respect to bills issued pursuant to subsection (4)(a) of this section shall be computed on the entire amount of tax owed. Interest shall be computed at the rate provided in SCC [3.10.040](#). (Ord. 2006-05).

RESOLUTION
IMPLEMENTING ORDINANCE 2006-05, CODIFIED AS SECTION 3.10.015 OF THE
STAUNTON CITY CODE,
TO FURTHER IMPLEMENT THE 2004-2005 CHANGES
TO THE PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT OF 1998

WHEREAS, by Ordinance 2006-05, adopted April 13, 2006, and codified as Section 3.10.015 of the Staunton City Code, the Council of the City of Staunton fashioned a local program of tax relief that serves the best interests of the citizenry regarding personal property tax on qualifying use vehicles, pursuant to modifications made by the General Assembly of Virginia to the Personal Property Tax Relief Act of 1998 (PPTRA);

WHEREAS, the City's program of tax relief contemplates the allocation of PPTRA relief provided by the Commonwealth of Virginia pursuant to the provisions of Ordinance 2006-05, codified as Section 3.10.015 of the Staunton City Code, as further implemented by resolution adopted annually after the personal property tax book is certified by the Commissioner of Revenue and delivered to the Treasurer;

WHEREAS, on September 1, 2016, the Commissioner of Revenue delivered to the Treasurer a certified personal property tax book; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Revenue has recommended to the Council of the City of Staunton, Virginia, that with respect to qualifying vehicles with assessed values of more than \$1,000 the percentage of relief to be applied to the first \$20,000 in value of each such qualifying vehicle should be 41%, which the Commissioner of Revenue estimates will fully use all available state PPTRA relief.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Staunton, Virginia, that 41% shall be the percentage of relief to be applied to the first \$20,000 in value of each qualifying vehicle with an assessed value of more than \$1,000, pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Section 3.10.015 of the Staunton City Code.

Adopted this 8th day of September, 2016.

Approved: _____
Mayor

Attest: _____
Linda Little
Clerk of Council

CITY COUNCIL



AGENDA BRIEFING

Staunton, VA

Meeting Date:	September 8, 2016	Steve Owen City Manager Doug Guynn City Attorney
Item #	6	
Ordinance #		
Department:	City Manager City Attorney	
Subject:	Atlantic Coast Pipeline	

Background: At its last meeting, in a closed portion of its work session, City Council was briefed by legal counsel concerning the Atlantic Coast Pipeline project. With the benefit of this advice, this item is returned to Council's work session agenda for discussion about what further action, if any, Council would like to pursue. Options include:

- seek and receive more information;
- send another communication to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) beyond Council's October 23, 2014 Resolution and May 24, 2016 letter;
- take more formal action that might include a request to FERC to intervene in the pending case;
- communicate with Dominion Virginia Power or others;
- engage in outreach to citizens with information and solicitation of their own communications to FERC; or
- pursue other initiatives.

As part of the framework for Council's further discussions, Council will want to be mindful of its objectives, including water source protection as might be related to the currently proposed route of the pipeline.

City Manager's Recommendation: Not applicable.

Suggested Motion: Not applicable.

City Manager: Stephen F. Owen



Proclamation

Before The Staunton City Council

2016 National Suicide Prevention Week

WHEREAS, suicide is the 10th leading cause of death in the United States and the 2nd leading cause of death among individuals between the ages of 10 to 34; and

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), in the United States, one person completes suicide every 12.3 minutes, resulting in nearly 43,000 suicides each year; and

WHEREAS, suicide is the only leading cause of death in the United States that has increased every year for the past decade; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that there are over 1.1 million suicide attempts each year; and

WHEREAS, in 2014, Virginia experienced 1,122 deaths by suicide; and

WHEREAS, in Virginia, suicide is the 11th leading cause of death overall; and

WHEREAS, over 90% of the people who die by suicide have a diagnosable and treatable mental health condition, although often that condition is not recognized or treated; and

WHEREAS, according to the CDC, suicide results in an estimated \$44.6 billion in combined medical and work loss costs nationally; and

WHEREAS, according to the CDC, suicide results in an estimated \$1.12 billion in combined lifetime medical and work loss costs in Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the stigma associated with mental health conditions and suicidality works against suicide prevention by discouraging persons at risk for suicide from seeking life-saving help and further traumatizes survivors of suicide loss and people with lived experience of suicide; and

WHEREAS, organizations such as The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention envision a world without suicide, and are dedicated to saving lives and bringing hope to those affected by suicide, through research, education, advocacy and resources for those who have lost or struggle, and urge that we:

1. recognize suicide as a preventable national and state public health problem and declare suicide prevention to be a priority;

2. acknowledge that no single suicide prevention program or effort will be appropriate for all populations or communities;
3. encourage initiatives based on the goals contained in the National Strategy for Suicide Prevention, a report of the U.S. Surgeon General and of the National Action Alliance for Suicide Prevention;
4. promote awareness that there is no single cause for suicide, and that suicide most often occurs when stressors exceed current coping abilities of someone suffering from a mental health condition; and
5. develop and implement strategies to increase access to quality mental health, substance abuse, and suicide prevention services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that I, Carolyn W. Dull, Mayor of Staunton, on behalf of the Council of the City of Staunton, Virginia, do hereby designate September 5 through 11 as National Suicide Prevention Week in the City of Staunton.

Dated this 8th day of September, 2016.

Carolyn W. Dull, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Linda L. Little, Clerk of Council

SUICIDE: VIRGINIA 2016 FACTS & FIGURES

Suicide Death Rates

	Number of Deaths by Suicide	Rate per 100,000 Population	State Rank
Virginia	1,122	12.86	36
Nationally	42,773	12.93	



On average, one person dies by suicide **every eight hours** in the state.

Suicide is the **11th leading** cause of death overall in Virginia.



Based on most recent 2014 data from CDC



Suicide cost Virginia a total of **\$1,124,664,000** of combined lifetime medical and work loss cost in 2010, or an average of **\$1,167,876** per suicide death.

IN VIRGINIA,
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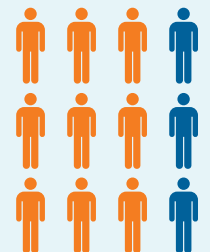
2nd leading
cause of death
for ages 10-34

4th leading
cause of death
for ages 35-54

9th leading
cause of death
for ages 55-64

16th leading
cause of death
for ages 65 & older

Over three times as many people die by suicide in Virginia annually than by homicide; the total deaths by suicide reflect a total of **21,884** years of potential life lost (YPLL) before age 65.



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SUICIDE PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

- Virginia's Suicide Prevention Program (www.preventsuicideva.org) is housed within the Virginia Department of Health's Division of Prevention and Health Promotion. The Program coordinates statewide training for school personnel, human service providers, faith communities and others on suicide prevention and intervention, including identification of those at risk, screening, counseling and referral.
- Virginia's suicide prevention plan, Suicide Across the **Life Span Plan for the Commonwealth of Virginia**, was released in 2004; available online at [http://leg2.state.va.us/dls/h&sdocs.nsf/By+Year/SD172004/\\$file/SD17_2004.pdf](http://leg2.state.va.us/dls/h&sdocs.nsf/By+Year/SD172004/$file/SD17_2004.pdf).
- The Virginia Suicide Prevention Program and the Virginia Suicide Prevention Coalition released the 3rd edition of the **Virginia Suicide Prevention Resource Directory** in 2010; available online at http://www.vdh.state.va.us/ofhs/prevention/preventsuicideva/documents/2012/pdf/Virginia_Suicide_Prevention_Directory.pdf.
- Virginia law (§22.1-272.1) requires that licensed administrative or instructional personnel in Virginia public schools, who have reason to believe that a student is at imminent risk of suicide, contact at least one of such student's parents as soon as practicable to ask whether the parent is aware of the student's mental state and whether the parent wishes to obtain or has already obtained counseling for such student. Such contact must be made in accordance with guidelines developed by the Board of Education.
- Virginia law (§23-9.2:8) requires the governing boards of each public institution of higher education to develop and implement policies that advise students, faculty, and staff of the proper procedures for identifying and addressing the needs of students exhibiting suicidal tendencies or behavior, and to provide for training.

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City Council
WORK SESSION
August 25, 2016
6:15 p.m.

Council Members Present: Mayor Dull, Vice Mayor Kier, Council Members Curren, Harrington, Holmes, Oakes and Obenschain

The Mayor called the work session of City Council to order. The invocation/moment of silence was given by Ms. Oakes.

1. Consideration of Work Session and Regular Meeting Agendas

Consistent with Procedural Memorandum No. 3, amended by Council at its organization meeting on July 1, 2016, the agendas were presented for Council consideration.

Dr. Curren moved to approve the Work Session agenda and the Regular Meeting agenda, with the addition to the Work Session agenda of discussion of a Mayoral Proclamation for the Harry Potter event recently held in Staunton.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Harrington and carried unanimously as follows:

Dr. Harrington	aye	Ms. Oakes	aye
Mr. Obenschain	aye	Dr. Curren	aye
Vice Mayor Kier	aye	Mr. Holmes	aye
Mayor Dull	aye		

2. Introduction of Charley Haney, City Assessor and Nickie Mills, City Engineer

Mr. Steve Owen introduced Mr. Charley Haney, the new City Assessor, and Mr. Nickie Mills, the new City Engineer.

3. Discussion of Revised Memorandum of Agreement for Community Action Partnership of Staunton, Augusta, and Waynesboro (CAPSAW)

Mr. Steve Owen stated that revisions proposed to the Memorandum of Agreement are similar to those recently approved by Council for the organizational documents of the Staunton-Augusta-Waynesboro Metropolitan Planning Organization. He noted that the changes will reflect the elimination of organizational and operational elements that are no longer applicable or preferable to maintain.

This will be Item G on the regular agenda.

Consideration of Proclamation for Harry Potter Event

Dr. Curren asked Council to consider a Mayoral Proclamation or a Council resolution to honor those responsible for this highly successful event. It was the consensus of Council that a

Mayoral Proclamation be presented to Sarah Lynch and others who were the founders of this event.

Update on Staunton Crossing

Vice Mayor Kier asked Billy Vaughn, Director of Economic Development, to give a brief update on recent developments at Staunton Crossing.

Mr. Vaughn stated that the new State Police building has been completed and they are moved in. He noted that the old State Police building is in the process of being demolished, along with the old tower.

He continued by stating that the closing with the developer on the sale of a portion of Staunton Crossing will be next week. They are in the process of completing the documents and working out the details that were in the initial contract.

4. Closed Meeting for Consultation with Legal Counsel About Legal-Related Aspects of the Proposed Atlantic Coast Pipeline Project Pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(7)

Ms. Oakes moved that Council enter a closed meeting, pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711(A)(7), to consult with legal counsel about legal-related aspects of the proposed Atlantic Coast Pipeline project as they relate to existing or potential interests of the City, including, but not limited to, the City's water resources and land-use planning considerations and ramifications.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Harrington and carried unanimously as follows:

Mr. Obenschain	aye	Dr. Curren	aye
Vice Mayor Kier	aye	Mr. Holmes	aye
Mayor Dull	aye	Dr. Harrington	aye
Ms. Oakes	aye		

Ms. Oakes moved that Council reconvene in an open meeting and certify to the best of each member's knowledge that only lawfully exempted public business matters were discussed and that only public business matters as identified in the closed meeting motion were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Harrington and carried unanimously as follows:

Vice Mayor Kier	aye	Mr. Holmes	aye
Mayor Dull	aye	Dr. Harrington	aye
Ms. Oakes	aye	Mr. Obenschain	aye
Dr. Curren	aye		

The work session adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Linda L. Little, Clerk of Council

REGULAR MEETING OF STAUNTON CITY COUNCIL

Thursday, August 25, 2016

7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers

PRESENT: Carolyn W. Dull, Mayor
Ophie A. Kier, Vice Mayor
Erik D. Curren
James J. Harrington
R. Terry Holmes
Andrea W. Oakes
Walter J. Obenschain

ALSO PRESENT: Stephen F. Owen, City Manager
Steven L. Rosenberg, Deputy City Manager
Douglas L. Guynn, City Attorney
Linda L. Little, Clerk of Council

Mayor Dull called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor read the following proclamation and presented it to Dr. Pamela Fox, President of Mary Baldwin College.

**Mary Baldwin University
175th Anniversary**

WHEREAS, Augusta Female Seminary was founded in Staunton, Virginia in 1842, by Rufus Bailey, with the support of the First Presbyterian Church of Staunton, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, among the first group of students was 12-year-old Mary Julia Baldwin, who had lost both of her parents, suffered a facial deformity and was known to classmates as a shy girl with largeness of spirit; and

WHEREAS, in 1863, when no men were available because of the Civil War, Mary Julia Baldwin became principal of and led the seminary until her death in 1897; and

WHEREAS, for over 34 years, Mary Julia Baldwin more than kept the school going, founding the first music conservatory in the south and introducing university-level study; and

WHEREAS, in 1895, the trustees renamed the school "Mary Baldwin Seminary" and, in 1916, it became a junior college; and

WHEREAS, in 1923, the name was changed to Mary Baldwin College, when the institution became a four-year college; and

WHEREAS, in 1976, Mary Baldwin College acquired the campus of the former Staunton Military Academy, a legacy commemorated continuously by the corps of cadets of the College's

Virginia Women's Institute for Leadership (VWIL), which carries the Staunton Military Academy flag; and

WHEREAS, in 1977, the first Adult Degree Program in Virginia was established on the College's campus and is now offered online and through regional centers throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, the College established its Program for the Exceptionally Gifted, the only radical acceleration college program for girls who skip all or some of high school and begin college as young as age 12 or 13; and

WHEREAS, in 1992, the first master's degree—the Master of Arts in Teaching—was offered by the College; and

WHEREAS, in 1995, VWIL was formed, in partnership with the Commonwealth of Virginia, and remains the only all-female corps of cadets in the nation; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, in partnership with the American Shakespeare Center, the College launched the graduate Shakespeare and Performance program; and

WHEREAS, in 2012, Heifetz International Music Institute relocated to the College; and

WHEREAS, the College, in 2014, opened its Murphy Deming College of Health Sciences in a state-of-the-art facility on a new branch campus in Fishersville, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the College has hosted a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's oldest and most respected society honoring accomplishment in the liberal arts, since 1971; and

WHEREAS, throughout its history, the College has inspired students from vibrantly diverse backgrounds and continues to serve one of the most diverse student populations in the nation; and

WHEREAS, the College is the first women's college to host a chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership honor society; and

WHEREAS, Mary Baldwin College will become Mary Baldwin University on August 31, 2016, reflective of the school's status as an institution offering multiple degree options at the baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral levels, and operating on two campuses, at regional centers throughout the state, and online; and

WHEREAS, on the same date, Mary Baldwin University will commence a year-long celebration of the institution's 175th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, the celebration will conclude on May 22, 2017, on the occasion of the University's 175th commencement, during which the institution's first doctoral degrees will be awarded.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that I, Carolyn W. Dull, Mayor of Staunton, on behalf of the Council of the City of Staunton, Virginia, acknowledge and celebrate the 175th anniversary of Mary Baldwin College and recognize the College on the occasion of its change from Mary Baldwin College to Mary Baldwin University, befitting of an institution that makes

such a significant contribution to the educational, cultural and civic life of our city, our state and our nation.

Dated this 25th day of August, 2016.

s/Carolyn W. Dull

Carolyn W. Dull, Mayor

ATTEST: s/Linda L. Little
Linda L. Little, Clerk of Council

Dr. Fox thanked Council and noted that Mary Baldwin College is an integral part of the City of Staunton and Staunton will remain vital to Mary Baldwin University.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

There were no additional items by members of Council.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Oakes moved to approve the work session and regular meeting minutes of July 28, 2016.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Holmes and carried unanimously as follows, with Dr. Harrington abstaining due to his absence from that meeting:

Ms. Oakes	aye	Dr. Curren	aye
Vice Mayor Kier	aye	Mr. Obenschain	aye
Mayor Dull	aye	Mr. Holmes	aye
Dr. Harrington	abstain		

REGULAR MEETING

A. Mary Baldwin College Presentation on Transition to University Status

Mr. Steve Owen, City Manager, introduced Ms. Crista Cabe, Mary Baldwin College's Senior Vice President for University Relations, who shared with Council details of the College's transition to university status.

B. Public Hearing and Consideration of a Request by Scott E. Sorrels and the City of Staunton to Rezone 2 W. Hampton Street, 10 W. Hampton Street, 10A W. Hampton Street, 14 W. Hampton Street, 18 W. Hampton Street, and 712 Nelson Street from B-1, Local Business District, to R-3, Medium Density Residential District

Mr. Tim Hartless, City Planner, stated that the common theme for the rezonings tonight is rezoning existing non-conforming uses. He stated that Scott E. Sorrels and the City of Staunton are requesting to rezone six properties located on the south side of W. Hampton Street from B-1, Local Business District, to R-3, Medium Density Residential District. This area contains five structures that are residential in character and use, with small lot size and the placement of buildings typical of other residences built during this time, i.e. located close to the front of the parcel.

The purpose of the rezonings is to adjust the zoning classification of the properties to reflect their existing uses, so that the properties are no longer non-conforming. The “Generalized Land Use and Development Guide,” *Staunton, Virginia Comprehensive Plan 2010 – 2030*, designates these properties as Medium Density Residential with a density of up to four to 20 units per acre and Light Industrial, with no density shown. Because of the size of the lots proposed to be rezoned and the residential character of the majority of the adjacent parcels, the lots are better suited to a R-3, Medium Density Residential District, classification to encourage their continued residential use.

At the Planning Commission public hearing, no one spoke in opposition to the request. The Planning Commission, based on the proposed rezonings’ compliance with the *Comprehensive Plan* and consistency with good zoning practice, unanimously recommended approval of the proposed rezonings from B-1, Local Business District, to R-3, Medium Density Residential District.

Vice Mayor Kier asked about the increase of residential units in this area and his concern regarding traffic and parking.

Mr. Hartless stated that currently with the B-1, Local Business District, zoning there is no limit to density and residential use on the second floor of the building is permitted by right with no limit to the number of apartments. He further stated that in an R-3, Medium Density Residential District, the number of units permitted is dependent upon the size of the lot, and in these cases, all are small lots which would be limited to single family dwellings only.

The Public Hearing was opened.

There being no one present to speak to this matter, the Public Hearing was closed.

Ms. Oakes moved that City Council approve the rezoning and adopt the proposed ordinance, as presented.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Harrington and carried unanimously as follows:

Vice Mayor Kier	aye	Mr. Obenschain	aye
Mayor Dull	aye	Mr. Holmes	aye
Dr. Harrington	aye	Ms. Oakes	aye
Dr. Curren	aye		

Ordinance No. 2016-24

AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE FROM B-1, LOCAL BUSINESS DISTRICT TO R-3, MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL VARIOUS PARCELS WITH DESIGNATED W. HAMPTON STREET AND NELSON STREET ADDRESSES IN THE CITY OF STAUNTON, VIRGINIA

WHEREAS, upon review, the Planning Department staff ascertained that apparently as part of the 1969 comprehensive rezoning of the City, the zoning of properties with the following

designated street addresses (“Parcels”) were zoned B-1 Local Business District under the provisions of the Staunton City Code (the “Code”); and

2 W. Hampton Street	PIN 2853
10 W. Hampton Street	PIN 7074
10A W. Hampton Street	PIN 7075
14 W. Hampton Street	PIN 7076
18 W. Hampton Street	PIN 413
712 Nelson Street	PIN 8597

WHEREAS, upon further review, the Planning Department staff ascertained that the Parcels are currently developed as residential use, constituting a non-conforming use under current B-1, Local Business District zoning under the Code; and

WHEREAS, the current B-1 Local Business District zoning has caused or may cause one or more property owners associated with such Parcels and/or their prospective purchasers complications in obtaining mortgage financing or modification of the buildings for their existing non-conforming business use; and

WHEREAS, the rezoning to R-3, Medium Density Residential of the Parcels is consistent with the Staunton, Virginia 2010–2030 Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, given the Staunton, Virginia 2010–2030 Comprehensive Plan reflects priorities such as to redevelop older, high density areas within the City where infrastructure already exists, enables and encourages more compact, mixed use designs, takes steps to preserve the architectural character of older neighborhoods that may not be included under the “historical” category, but are sufficiently important to the look and feel of the city, especially pre–and post–WWII neighborhoods, protect historic structures in changing areas, and support the expressed desire for Staunton’s future, conserve and/or protect the City’s natural resources, historic character, and scenic qualities, and, therefore, such rezoning would be in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the City of Staunton has considered the matter and recommended rezoning; and

WHEREAS, these recitals are an integral part of this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, this matter has been properly advertised, heard and considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Staunton, Virginia, that each of the Parcels shall be and is **HEREBY REZONED** from B-1, Local Business to R-3, Medium Density Residential.

Introduced: August 25, 2016

Adopted: August 25, 2016

Effective: August 25, 2016

s/Carolyn W. Dull

Carolyn W. Dull, Mayor

ATTEST: s/Linda L. Little
Linda L. Little, Clerk of Council

C. Public Hearing and Consideration of a Request by Great Marsh Enterprises, LLC to Rezone 22 Grasty Street from B-1, Local Business District, to R-2, Low Density Residential District

Mr. Hartless stated that Great Marsh Enterprises, LLC is requesting to rezone 22 Grasty Street from B-1, Local Business District, to R-2, Low Density Residential District. Initially, staff thought that this property consisted of two separate lots, 22 Grasty Street and 41 Bagby Street. Staff has since determined that the two lots were combined in 1969, and became one lot with an address designation of 22 Grasty Street. The City's real estate records have since been updated to reflect the combination of the two lots. The property is located on the southeast corner of the intersection of Grasty Street and Bagby Street. The use of the property is single family dwelling.

The purpose of the rezoning is to adjust the zoning classification of the property to reflect its existing use, so that the property is no longer non-conforming. The "Generalized Land Use and Development Guide", *Staunton, Virginia Comprehensive Plan 2010 – 2030*, designates this property as Low Density Residential, with a density of up to one to five units per acre and Light Industrial, with no density shown.

At the Planning Commission public hearing, no one spoke in opposition to the request. The Planning Commission, based on the proposed rezoning's compliance with the *Comprehensive Plan* and consistency with good zoning practice, unanimously recommended approval of the proposed rezoning of 22 Grasty Street from B-1, Local Business District, to R-2, Low Density Residential District.

The Public Hearing was opened.

There being no one present to speak to this matter, the Public Hearing was closed.

Dr. Harrington moved that City Council approve the rezoning and adopt the proposed ordinance, as presented.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Holmes and carried unanimously as follows:

Mayor Dull	aye	Mr. Holmes	aye
Dr. Harrington	aye	Ms. Oakes	aye
Dr. Curren	aye	Vice Mayor Kier	aye
Mr. Obenschain	aye		

Ordinance No. 2016-20

**AN ORDINANCE REZONING
FROM B-1, LOCAL BUSINESS DISTRICT
TO R-2, LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT
THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE SOUTHERN CORNER OF THE
INTERSECTION OF GRASTY STREET AND BAGBY STREET
(PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER 101081), WITH STREET ADDRESS OF
22 GRASTY STREET, IN THE CITY OF STAUNTON, VIRGINIA,
AND SHOWN AS LOT A ON THE AUGUST 19, 1969, CRAWFORD AND FUNK, C.L.S.,
"MAP REVISING NELLE H YOUNT'S LOTS,"**

WHEREAS, by deed dated January 26, 2000, recorded as Instrument Number 000000282 in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the City of Staunton, Virginia, Great Marsh Enterprises, LLC appears to have acquired from Jane M. Meador a certain lot and all improvements located at the southern corner of the intersection of Grasty Street and Bagby Street (Parcel 101081), with street address of 22 Grasty Street, in the City of Staunton, Virginia,

WHEREAS, such lot is shown as Lot A on the August 19, 1969, Crawford and Funk, C.L.S., "Map Revising Nelle H Yount's Lots", accompanying the deed dated June 26, 1970, between Nelle H. Yount, widow, and Henry B. Meador, recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the City of Staunton, Virginia, in Deed Book 175, page 48;

WHEREAS, such lot previously was shown on the City of Staunton assessment and GIS records as two parcels, specifically identified as PID 5325 and 5326;

WHEREAS, the City of Staunton, however, upon further review of deeds, including specifically the deed dated June 26, 1970, with accompanying plat, as recorded in Deed Book 175, Page 48, in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the City of Staunton, Virginia, has administratively amended its records to reflect one lot and assigned new PID 101081 for such lot;

WHEREAS, Great Marsh Enterprises, LLC has applied to the City of Staunton for a zoning classification change of the property now treated as one lot and now designated as PID 101081 from B-1, Local Business District to R-2, Low Density Residential District under the provisions of the Staunton City Code; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the City of Staunton has properly heard the matter and recommended the proposed rezoning; and

WHEREAS, this matter has been properly advertised, heard and considered.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Staunton, Virginia that such property, designated as PID 101081, is **HEREBY REZONED** from B-1, Local Business District to R-2, Low Density Residential District, under provisions of the Staunton City Code.

Introduced: August 25, 2016

Adopted: August 25, 2016

Effective: August 25, 2016

s/Carolyn W. Dull

Carolyn W. Dull, Mayor

ATTEST: s/Linda L. Little

Linda L. Little

Clerk of Council

D. Public Hearing and Consideration of a Request by the City of Staunton to Rezone from B-1, Local Business District, to R-3, Medium Density Residential District, 701 and 703 Grubert Avenue, 904 and 1114 Churchville Avenue, 700 and 701 A Street,

701, 703, and 708 B Street, 707 C Street, 702 and 704 D Street, 2103, 2201, and 2205 Poplar Street, and 837 and 839 Springhill Road

Mr. Hartless stated that this rezoning is the first of three proposed by the City of Staunton in furtherance of the Planning Commission's efforts to address zoning conflicts on legally nonconforming residential properties throughout the City. He noted that Council will recall that historic and long term nonconforming residential parcels in areas zoned for business, professional or industrial uses exist in many areas of the City. Planning and Inspections staff, in the past, addressed conflicts between current zoning designation and residential parcels by rezoning parcels to reflect their actual and long term use or issuing special use permits. The continuing residential use of a large percentage of these parcels is currently supported by the *Recommended Land Use Map* included in the *2010-2030 Comprehensive Plan*. Accordingly, in 2012, with staff support, the Planning Commission commenced a comprehensive approach to rezone these parcels to a zoning district more accurately reflecting their use, consistent with the recommendations in the *Comprehensive Plan*.

The first such rezoning was approved by Council in 2013, and addressed properties in areas along West Beverley Street, Trenary Street, Stoneburner Street, Hamrick Street, Thompson Street, Austin Avenue, Plunkett Street, S. Waverley Street, N. Waverley Street, First Street, Belleview Street, Gray Avenue, Beverley Court, Noon Street and Chestnut Street. Council approved the second such rezoning in 2014, in areas along Locust Avenue and N. Sheets Street. Since that time, staff has updated its mapping and analysis of the location and configuration of the City's nonconforming residential parcels. The update informs City staff members as they continue to address the problems associated with the current zoning designation of some parcels, including the inability to expand or rebuild structures. Based on the updated analysis, staff has most recently recommended to the Planning Commission consideration of proposed rezonings in an area including properties along Englewood Drive, Shutterlee Mill Road, Churchville Avenue, Poplar Street, A Street, B Street, C Street, D Street, and Springhill Road. In one portion of this area, staff has recommended rezonings of properties on Grubert Avenue, Churchville Avenue, A Street, B Street, C Street, D Street, Poplar Street, and Springhill Road from B-1, Local Business District, to R-3, Medium Density Residential District.

In February, notification letters were mailed to subject and adjacent property owners informing them of the Planning Commission's consideration of such proposed rezonings. Property owners were invited to attend a public meeting held on March 14, at the Staunton Public Library, to learn more about the rezonings. At the meeting, City staff and members of the Planning Commission presented information and answered questions. Approximately 25 individuals attended. Since mailing the notification letter and holding the public meeting, staff has been contacted by the owners of two properties, located at 843 Springhill Road and 1118 Churchville Avenue, who have requested that their respective properties be excluded from the proposed rezonings. The revised map reflects these requests.

At the Planning Commission public hearing, on July 21, three individuals had questions concerning the proposed rezonings; however, no one spoke in opposition to the request. The Planning Commission, based on the proposed rezonings' compliance with the *Comprehensive Plan* and consistency with good zoning practice, unanimously recommended approval of the proposed rezonings.

Dr. Curren asked about the two property owners who wanted their properties removed from this rezoning.

Mr. Hartless indicated that the property owners intended to convert the structures to business use.

The Public Hearing was opened.

There being no one present to speak to this matter, the Public Hearing was closed.

Dr. Curren moved that City Council approve the rezoning and adopt the proposed ordinance, as presented.

The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Kier and carried unanimously as follows:

Dr. Harrington	aye	Ms. Oakes	aye
Dr. Curren	aye	Vice Mayor Kier	aye
Mr. Obenschain	aye	Mayor Dull	aye
Mr. Holmes	aye		

Ordinance No. 2016-22

AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE

**FROM B-1, LOCAL BUSINESS TO R-3, MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL
VARIOUS PARCELS WITH DESIGNATED STREET ADDRESSES OF GRUBERT
AVENUE, CHURCHVILLE AVENUE, A STREET, B STREET, C STREET, D
STREET, POPLAR STREET, AND SPRINGHILL ROAD IN THE CITY OF
STAUNTON, VIRGINIA:**

WHEREAS, upon review, the Planning Department staff ascertained that apparently as part of the 1969 comprehensive rezoning of the City the zoning of properties with the following designated addresses ("Parcels") was changed to B-1, Local Business under the provisions of the Staunton City Code (the "Code"):

701 Grubert Avenue	PIN 1708
703 Grubert Avenue	PIN 1710
904 Churchville Avenue	PIN 7546
1114 Churchville Avenue	PIN 4866
700 A Street	PIN 2596
701A Street	PIN 776
701 B Street	PIN 23
703 B Street	PIN 5872
708 B Street	PIN 4869
707 C Street	PIN 5058
702 D Street	PIN 1709
704 D Street	PIN 1711
2013 Poplar Street	PIN 4484
2201 Poplar Street	PIN 4868
2205 Poplar Street	PIN 11269
837 Springhill Road	PIN 2737
839 Springhill Road	PIN 7274

WHEREAS, upon further review, the Planning Department staff ascertained that the

Parcels are currently developed in residential use, constituting a non-conforming use under current B-1, Local Business zoning under the Code;

WHEREAS, the current B-1, Local Business zoning has caused or may cause one or more property owners associated with such Parcels and/or their prospective purchasers complications in obtaining mortgage financing or modification of the buildings for their existing non-conforming residential use;

WHEREAS, the Staunton, Virginia 2010–2030 Comprehensive Plan recommends rezoning of the Parcels from B-1, Local Business to R-3, Medium Density Residential;

WHEREAS, given the Staunton, Virginia 2010–2030 Comprehensive Plan reflects priorities such as to redevelop older, high density areas within the City where infrastructure already exists, enables and encourages more compact, mixed use designs, takes steps to preserve the architectural character of older neighborhoods that may not be included under the “historical” category, but are sufficiently important to the look and feel of the city, especially pre–and post–WWII neighborhoods, protect historic structures in changing areas, and support the expressed desire for Staunton’s future, conserve and/or protect the City’s Natural resources, historic character, and scenic qualities, and, therefore, such rezoning would be in the public interest.

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the City of Staunton has considered the matter and recommended the rezoning; and

WHEREAS, these recitals are an integral part of this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, this matter has been properly advertised, heard and considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council for the City of Staunton, Virginia, that each of the Parcels shall be and is **HEREBY REZONED** R-3, Medium Density Residential.

Introduced: August 25, 2016

Adopted: August 25, 2016

Effective: August 25, 2016

s/Carolyn W. Dull

Carolyn W. Dull, Mayor

ATTEST: s/Linda L. Little

Linda L. Little, Clerk of Council

E. Public Hearing and Consideration of a Request by the City of Staunton to Rezone from B-1, Local Business District, to R-3, Medium Density Residential District Conditional, 1726 and 1752 Englewood Drive

Mr. Hartless stated that this rezoning is the second of three rezonings proposed by the City of Staunton in furtherance of the Planning Commission’s efforts to address zoning conflicts on legally nonconforming residential properties throughout the City.

The subject area includes properties along Englewood Drive, where staff has recommended rezonings from B-1, Local Business District, to R-3, Medium Density Residential District Conditional.

During the rezoning process, staff was contacted by the owner of one property, located at 1736 Englewood Drive, who requested that his property be excluded from the proposed rezonings. The revised map reflects this request.

At the Planning Commission public hearing, on July 21, no one spoke in opposition to the request. The Planning Commission, based on the proposed rezonings' compliance with the *Comprehensive Plan* and consistency with good zoning practice, unanimously recommended approval of the proposed rezonings.

Mr. Obenschain asked if there was a difference in the real estate taxes between residential and business.

Mr. Hartless indicated that he understands the City Assessor assesses the property as it is being used and in these cases they are being used as dwellings.

The Public Hearing was opened.

There being no one present to speak to this matter, the Public Hearing was closed.

Mr. Holmes moved that City Council approve the rezoning and adopt the proposed ordinance, as presented.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Harrington and carried unanimously as follows:

Dr. Curren	aye	Vice Mayor Kier	aye
Mr. Obenschain	aye	Mayor Dull	aye
Mr. Holmes	aye	Dr. Harrington	aye
Ms. Oakes	aye		

Ordinance No. 2016-23

**AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE
FROM B-1, LOCAL BUSINESS TO
R-3, MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL CONDITIONAL
VARIOUS PARCELS WITH DESIGNATED STREET ADDRESSES OF
ENGLEWOOD DRIVE IN THE CITY OF STAUNTON, VIRGINIA**

WHEREAS, upon review, of the Planning Department staff ascertained that apparently as part of the 1969 comprehensive rezoning of the City the zoning of properties with the following designated addresses ("Parcels") was changed to B-1, Local Business under the provisions of the Staunton City Code (the "Code"):

1726 Englewood Drive	PIN 4003
1752 Englewood Drive	PIN 2508

WHEREAS, upon further review, the Planning Department staff ascertained that the

Parcels are currently developed in residential use, constituting a non-conforming use under current B-1, Local Business zoning under the Code;

WHEREAS, the current B-1, Local Business zoning has caused or may cause one or more property owners associated with such Parcels and/or their prospective purchasers complications in obtaining mortgage financing or modification of the buildings for their existing non-conforming residential use;

WHEREAS, the Staunton, Virginia 2010–2030 Comprehensive Plan recommends rezoning the Parcels to R-3, Medium Density Residential Conditional;

WHEREAS, given the Staunton, Virginia 2010–2030 Comprehensive Plan reflects priorities such as to redevelop older, high density areas within the City where infrastructure already exists, enables and encourages more compact, mixed use designs, takes steps to preserve the architectural character of older neighborhoods that may not be included under the “historical” category, but are sufficiently important to the look and feel of the city, especially pre– and post–WWII neighborhoods, protect historic structures in changing areas, and support the expressed desire for Staunton’s future, conserve and/or protect the City’s Natural resources, historic character, and scenic qualities, and, therefore, such rezoning would be in the public interest.

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the City of Staunton has considered the matter and recommended the rezoning; and

WHEREAS, these recitals are an integral part of this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, this matter has been properly advertised, heard and considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council for the City of Staunton, Virginia, that each of the Parcels shall be and is **HEREBY REZONED** from B-1, Local Business to R-3, Medium Density Residential Conditional.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all of the provisions of Chapter 18.30, “R-3, Medium Density Residential District,” of the Title 18, the Zoning Code of Staunton, apply, except that the provisions of Section 18.30.020, “Permitted Principal and Accessory Uses and Structures,” shall be limited solely and strictly to:

1. Any use permitted in an R-1 and/or R-2, Low Density Residential District;
2. Two-family dwellings; and
3. Accessory buildings and uses customarily incidental to the above uses when located on the same lot.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED THAT otherwise all other provisions of Chapter 18.30, “R-3, Medium Density Residential District,” shall apply as may be applicable to two-family dwellings.

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Adopted: August 25, 2016

Effective: August 25, 2016

s/Carolyn W. Dull

Carolyn W. Dull, Mayor

ATTEST: s/Linda L. Little
Linda L. Little, Clerk of Council

F. Public Hearing and Consideration of a Request by the City of Staunton to Rezone from B-1, Local Business District, to R-2, Low Density Residential District, from Dual B-1, Local Business District, and from R-4, High Density Residential District, to R-2, Low Density Residential District, 616 and 618 Gypsy Avenue, 820, 824, 826 and 846 Springhill Road, 1717, 1727, 1731, 1737, 1739 and 1743 Englewood Drive, and 1771, 1771A, 1775, 1779, 1801 and 1801A Shutterlee Mill Road

Mr. Hartless stated that this rezoning is the third of three rezonings proposed by the City of Staunton in furtherance of the Planning Commission's efforts to address zoning conflicts on legally nonconforming residential properties throughout the City.

The subject area includes properties along Gypsy Avenue, Springhill Road, Englewood Drive and Shutterlee Mill Road, where staff has recommended rezonings from B-1, Local Business District, Dual B-1, Local Business District, and R-4, High Density Residential District, to R-2, Low Density Residential District.

At the Planning Commission public hearing, on July 21, one individual had questions concerning the proposed rezonings; however, no one spoke in opposition to the request. The Planning Commission, based on the proposed rezonings' compliance with the *Comprehensive Plan* and consistency with good zoning practice, unanimously recommended approval of the proposed rezonings.

The Public Hearing was opened.

There being no one present to speak to this matter, the Public Hearing was closed.

Mr. Holmes moved that City Council approve the rezoning and adopt the proposed ordinance, as presented.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Harrington and carried unanimously as follows:

Mr. Obenschain	aye	Mayor Dull	aye
Mr. Holmes	aye	Dr. Harrington	aye
Ms. Oakes	aye	Dr. Curren	aye
Vice Mayor Kier	aye		

Ordinance No. 2016-21

**AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE DESIGNATED PARCELS
FROM B-1, LOCAL BUSINESS TO R-2, LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL
AND FROM DUAL B-1, LOCAL BUSINESS AND R-4, HIGH DENSITY
RESIDENTIAL TO R-2, LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL
AND FROM R-4, HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL
TO R-2 LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL
CERTAIN PROPERTIES ON GYPSY AVENUE, SPRINGHILL ROAD,
SHUTTERLEE MILL ROAD AND ENGLEWOOD DRIVE IN THE CITY OF
STAUNTON, VIRGINIA**

WHEREAS, upon review, the staff of the City’s Planning Department staff ascertained that apparently as part of the 1969 comprehensive rezoning of the City, the zoning of certain designated properties located on Gypsy Avenue, Springhill Road, and Englewood Drive (Parcels) were changed to B-1, Local Business and, as to certain parcels, a dual zoning of B-1, Local Business and R-4, High Density Residential, and one parcel to R-4, High Density Residential, under provisions of the Staunton City Code (the “Code”);

WHEREAS, upon further review, the Planning Department staff ascertained also that the Parcels actually are currently developed in residential use, constituting a non-conforming use under current B-1, Local Business zoning under the Code;

WHEREAS, the complete or partial current B-1, Local Business zoning of the Parcels has caused or may cause one or more property owners associated with the Parcels, and/or their prospective purchasers, complications in obtaining mortgage financing or modification of the buildings for their existing non-conforming residential use;

WHEREAS, given that the Staunton, Virginia 2010–2030 Comprehensive Plan reflects priorities such as to redevelop older, high density areas within the City where infrastructure already exists, enables and encourages more compact, mixed use designs, takes steps to preserve the architectural character of older neighborhoods that may not be included under the “historical” category, but are sufficiently important to the look and feel of the city, especially pre–and post–WWII neighborhoods, protects historic structures in changing areas, and supports the expressed desire for Staunton’s future, conserve and/or protect the City’s Natural resources, historic character, and scenic qualities, and, therefore, rezoning of the Parcels would be in the public interest;

WHEREAS, the Staunton, Virginia 2010–2030 Comprehensive Plan recommends rezoning of the Parcels to R-2, Low Density Residential;

WHEREAS, the current zoning and the proposed rezoning as to each designated parcel are as follows:

DESIGNATED PROPERTY	PIN #	CURRENT ZONING	REZONING
616 Gypsy Avenue	11094	B-1 Local Business	R-2 Low Density Residential
618 Gypsy Avenue	1147	B-1 Local Business	R-2 Low Density Residential
820 Springhill Road	7178	B-1 Local Business	R-2 Low Density Residential
824 Springhill Road	3483	B-1 Local Business	R-2 Low Density Residential
826 Springhill Road	8478	B-1 Local Business	R-2 Low Density Residential
846 Springhill Road	1146	B-1 Local Business	R-2 Low Density Residential
1717 Englewood Drive	10709	B-1 Local Business	R-2 Low Density Residential
1727 Englewood Drive	7564	B-1 Local Business	R-2 Low Density Residential
1731 Englewood Drive	5700	B-1 Local Business	R-2 Low Density Residential
1737 Englewood Drive	7576	B-1 Local Bus & R-4 Res	R-2 Low Density Residential
1739 Englewood Drive	3691	B-1 Local Bus & R-4 Res	R-2 Low Density Residential
1743 Englewood Drive	8761	R-4 High Density Res	R-2 Low Density Residential
1771 Shutterlee Mill Rd.	1493	R-4 High Density Res	R-2 Low Density Residential

1771A Shutterlee Mill Rd.	12108	R-4 High Density Res	R-2 Low Density Residential
1775 Shutterlee Mill Rd.	4754	R-4 High Density Res	R-2 Low Density Residential
1801A Shutterlee Mill Rd.	12421	R-4 High Density Res	R-2 Low Density Residential
1801 Shutterlee Mill Rd.	1234	R-4 High Density Res	R-2 Low Density Residential
1779 Shutterlee Mill Rd.	4254	R-4 High Density Res	R-2 Low Density Residential

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission of the City of Staunton has considered the matter and recommended the rezoning; and

WHEREAS, this matter has been properly advertised, heard and considered; and

WHEREAS, these recitals are an integral part of this ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council for the City of Staunton, Virginia, that each of the Parcels shall be and is **HEREBY REZONED** R-2, Low Density Residential.

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Effective: August 25, 2016

s/Carolyn W. Dull

Carolyn W. Dull, Mayor

ATTEST: s/Linda L. Little

Linda L. Little, Clerk of Council

G. Consideration of Revised Memorandum of Agreement for Community Action Partnership of Staunton, Augusta, and Waynesboro (CAPSAW)

Mr. Steve Owen, City Manager, stated that in 2009, the Community Action Partnership of Staunton, Augusta, and Waynesboro (CAPSAW) was designated by the Governor of Virginia as the community action agency to serve the residents of Staunton, Augusta County, and Waynesboro. CAPSAW was likewise designated by the governing bodies of those localities through a memorandum of agreement (MOA).

CAPSAW administers funds made available through the Federal Community Services Block Grant, the State Community Services Block Grant, the federal Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) program, and required matching funds provided by the localities within the service area, including Staunton, Augusta, and Waynesboro. CAPSAW periodically assesses community needs, annually receives applications for funding from community human services agencies, and provides funding to agencies delivering services and programs aimed at identified human services needs.

CAPSAW is governed by a board comprised of local elected officials or their representatives, elected representatives of the indigent population of the region, and representatives of business, civic, and religious organizations.

The original 2009 MOA remains in effect and reflects organizational and operational elements that are no longer applicable or preferable to maintain. Accordingly, a revised MOA has been developed and presented for Council's consideration. The revised MOA is being considered by the governing bodies of Waynesboro and Augusta County as well.

The revisions to the MOA are summarized as follows:

- Eliminates references to the Shenandoah Valley Office on Youth and reliance on that agency or agency's employees for supervision, approval or administrative support.
- Clarifies that the City of Waynesboro Finance Department will function as fiscal agent.
- Includes language to provide that CAPSAW can receive funding other than that originating from federal, state and local governments.
- Confirms that board members may originate from the local business sector.
- Clarifies board terms.

In FY 2017, CAPSAW anticipates receipt of \$326,400 in various state and federal funds. The member localities will contribute \$110,000 in the aggregate. Staunton's share is \$26,650.

Ms. Oakes moved that the proposed revised memorandum of agreement be approved and the City Manager be authorized to execute the document with such modifications and in final form as approved by the City Attorney.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Curren and carried unanimously as follows:

Mr. Holmes	aye	Dr. Harrington	aye
Ms. Oakes	aye	Dr. Curren	aye
Vice Mayor Kier	aye	Mr. Obenschain	aye
Mayor Dull	aye		

Matters from the City Manager

The City Manager had nothing to report.

Matters from the Public

Ms. Doris Fretwell, 228 Meadowbrook Road, stated Public Works Department employees have viewed her property and have a plan to control the erosion from storm water.

Mr. Carl Hensley, 226 Meadowbrook Road, stated that as long as the zoning board does not have to meet until after the state restrictions are removed, he is okay with that.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

2. acknowledge that no single suicide prevention program or effort will be appropriate for all populations or communities;
3. encourage initiatives based on the goals contained in the National Strategy for Suicide Prevention, a report of the U.S. Surgeon General and of the National Action Alliance for Suicide Prevention;
4. promote awareness that there is no single cause for suicide, and that suicide most often occurs when stressors exceed current coping abilities of someone suffering from a mental health condition; and
5. develop and implement strategies to increase access to quality mental health, substance abuse, and suicide prevention services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that I, Carolyn W. Dull, Mayor of Staunton, on behalf of the Council of the City of Staunton, Virginia, do hereby designate September 5 through 11 as National Suicide Prevention Week in the City of Staunton.

Dated this 8th day of September, 2016.

Carolyn W. Dull, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Linda L. Little, Clerk of Council

CITY COUNCIL



AGENDA BRIEFING

Staunton, VA

Meeting Date:	September 8, 2016	Staff Member: Steve Owen
Item #	A	
Ordinance #		
Department:	City Manager	
Subject:	Staff Recognitions	

Background: Retired City Engineer James Davis and retired City Assessor Jim Gallaher will attend Council's regular meeting to receive recognition on the occasion of their recent retirements from City service.

City Manager's Recommendation: Not applicable.

Suggested Motion: Not applicable.

City Manager: Stephen F. Owen

CITY COUNCIL



AGENDA BRIEFING

Staunton, VA

Meeting Date:	September 8, 2016	Staff Members: Sharon Angle Tim Hartless
Item #	B	
Ordinance #		
Department:	Planning and Inspections	
Subject:	Public Hearing and Consideration of a Request by the Staunton Augusta YMCA for a Special Use Permit at 638 North Coalter Street to Utilize an Existing Space Consisting of 1,400 Square Feet as a Meeting Room and Office	

Background: The Staunton Augusta YMCA is requesting a special use permit to use approximately 1,400 square feet of space in the North Coalter Street Shopping Center (adjacent to Food Lion), located at 638 North Coalter Street, for a meeting room and office. This location was used previously as a SunTrust Bank location. As a part of the application, the existing drive-through canopy will be removed, and the existing window will be replaced.

The original shopping center was developed in 1974. In 1980, the Staunton Racquet Club was developed on the adjacent parcel and over the years the facility has expanded and transitioned to the Staunton Augusta YMCA. The expansion of the YMCA was approved in 2009. The property is zoned B-3, Planned Business District, in which all uses require Special Use Permit review and approval. Attached is a copy of the application material.

Staff comments included:

1. All proposed exterior signs, lighting, or other exterior elements shall meet the requirements of the zoning code, including the Entrance Corridor Overlay District, and the recommendations included in the Entrance Corridor Overlay District Design Guidelines for Augusta and Coalter streets.
2. The use and reconfiguration of the space must meet all applicable building and fire code requirements.

Planning Commission held its public hearing on Thursday, August 18, 2016. No negative comments were received, and the Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval of the special use permit with the following conditions:

1. All proposed exterior signs, lighting, or other exterior elements shall meet the requirements of the zoning code, including the Entrance Corridor Overlay District, and the recommendations included in the Entrance Corridor Overlay District Design Guidelines for Augusta and Coalter streets.
2. The use and reconfiguration of the space must meet all applicable building and fire code requirements.

Attachments:

- 1—Floor Plan
- 2—Exterior Elevation
- 3—Vicinity Map

City Manager's Recommendation: Conduct the public hearing. Recommend City Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission.

Suggested Motion (to be made after the public hearing is conducted): I move that City Council approve the special use permit, as recommended by the City Manager, with the following conditions:

1. All proposed exterior signs, lighting, or other exterior elements shall meet the requirements of the zoning code, including the Entrance Corridor Overlay District, and the recommendations included in the Entrance Corridor Overlay District Design Guidelines for Augusta and Coalter streets.
2. The use and reconfiguration of the space meet all applicable building and fire code requirements.

City Manager: Stephen F. Owen

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Verona, VA 24482

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PROJECT TITLE:

638 NORTH COALTER ST.
CODE REVIEW

CLIENTS INFO:

STAUNTON YMCA

NO.	REVISION	DATE

JOB NUMBER: 16039

DATE: 3 JUNE 2016

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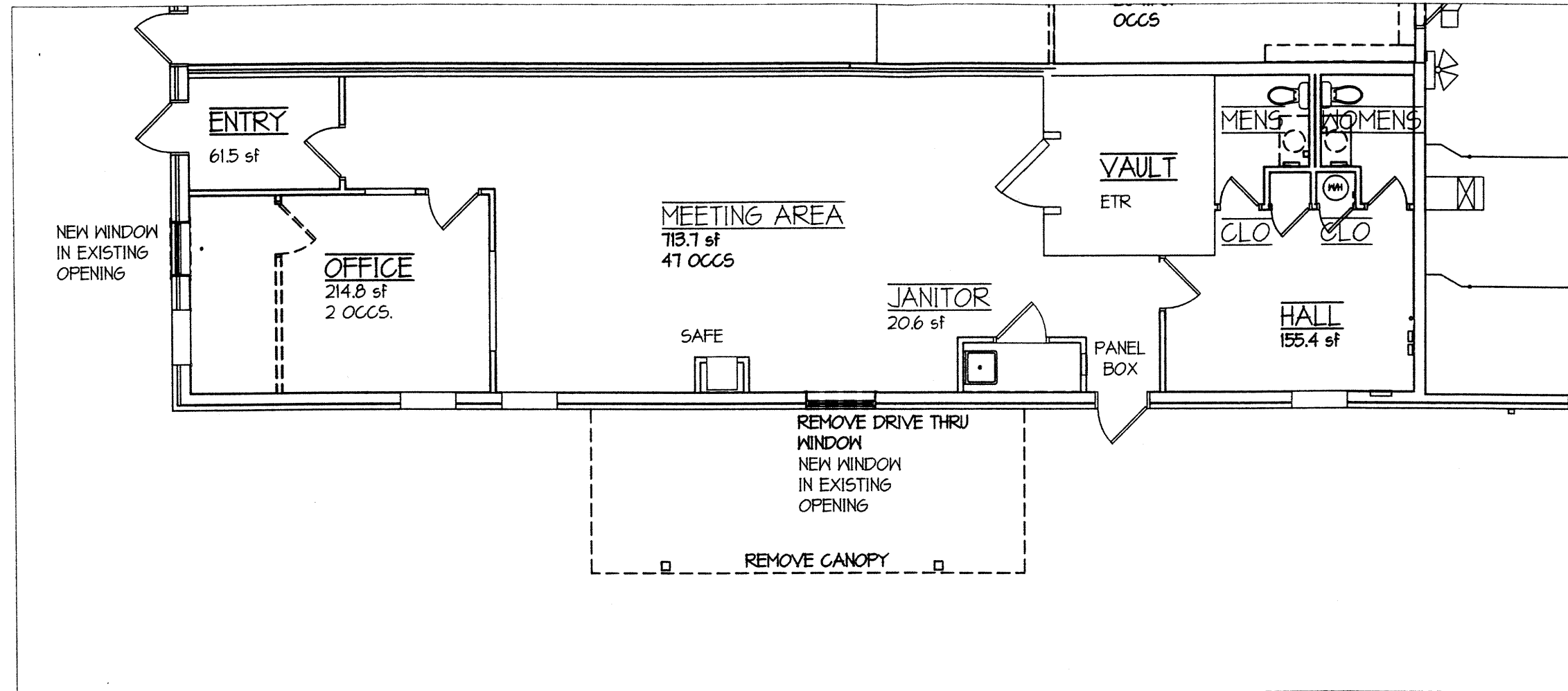
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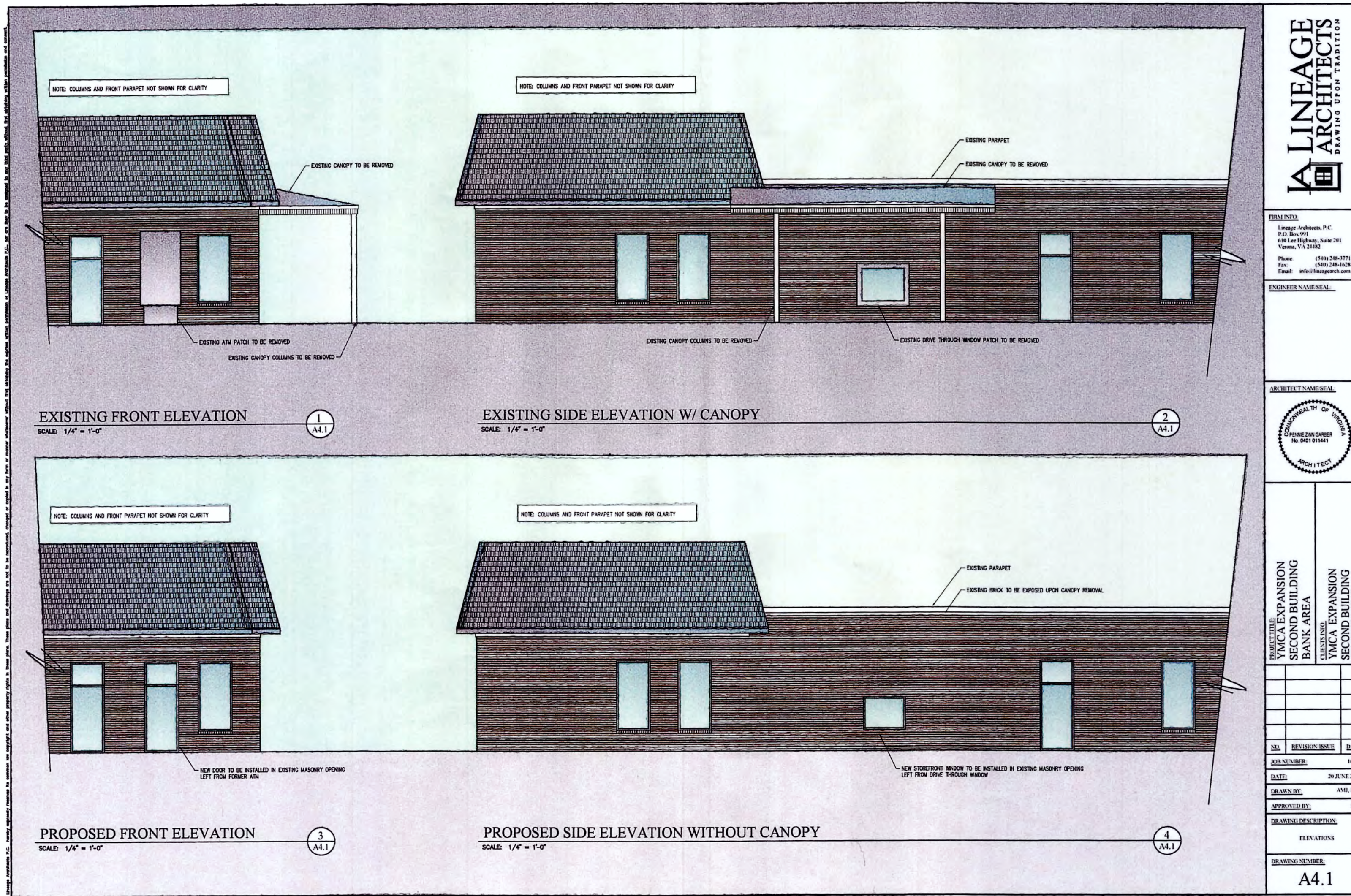


FLOOR PLAN

SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

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NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION



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ENGINEER NAME SEAL

ARCHITECT NAME SEAL



PROJECT TITLE:
 YMCA EXPANSION
 SECOND BUILDING
 BANK AREA

CLIENT INFO:
 YMCA EXPANSION
 SECOND BUILDING
 708 N. COMPTON STREET
 STAUNTON, VIRGINIA 24401

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Attachment 3

Vicinity Map for 638 N Coalter Street

