

# Greensboro Selectboard

November 28, 2012

## SELECTBOARD PUBLIC HEARING ON UPDATED TOWN PLAN

**SELECTBOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Marsha Gadoury, Peggy Lipscomb, Susan Wood, Anne Stevens

**SELECTBOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Warren Hill, Jr.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Josh Karp, Kristen Leahy, Mark Snyder, Jim Cook, Tom Hurst, Nancy Hill, Clive Gray

**CALLED TO ORDER:** 7:04 PM

Zoning Administrator Kristen Leahy explained that the Town Plan expired last winter. With an expired Plan, Greensboro can't apply for municipal planning grants, certain economic development funding is tied up, and the Zoning Bylaws can't be changed. To clear up these issues as quickly as possible, the Planning Commission (P.C.) decided to do a quick 'update' of the Plan: federal, state, and local data (census data, town business statistics, etc.) are updated to reflect changes over the last five years, but no significant changes to goals and policies are made. The P.C. intends to undergo a full rewrite of the Plan beginning in two or three years; that will be the time to make significant changes to the Plan.

The N.V.D.A. is the regional planning commission that reviews and approves completed town plans in this area. The N.V.D.A. reviewed Greensboro's expired Plan, and reported that it contains all the required elements and that at this time, an update only would be fine.

Mark Snyder, representing the P.C., told that Board that the P.C. put much time and effort into updating the Plan, and received input from town residents and the Greensboro Association. He added that the Plan is a living document that is always evolving.

Those present reviewed the updated Plan with Leahy and Snyder, and made a number of grammatical and stylistic changes. Additionally, there were many detailed suggestions for more substantial changes to the Plan, which will be considered during the next full Town Plan rewrite.

Marsha made the following motion:

*The Board adopts the Town Plan, as changed during this hearing. The Board directs the Greensboro Planning Commission to send the Plan on to N.V.D.A. for their review.*

There was no second; the motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNED:** 8:10 PM

*Respectfully submitted,* Josh Karp, Selectboard Clerk