

**MINUTES**  
**Knoxville-Knox County Planning Commission**  
**Agenda Review Meeting**  
**Tuesday, July 7, 2020**

The Knoxville-Knox County Planning Commission convened on Tuesday, July 7, 2020, at 11:30 o'clock a.m. via remote tele-conferencing, for the monthly agenda review meeting.

Attending the meeting via a facilitated remote conferencing platform were Planning Commissioners, Gayle Bustin, Patrick Phillips, Vice Chair of the Commission, Tim Hill, Chris Ooten, Elizabeth Eason, Richard Graf, Jeff Roth, Tamara Boyer, Scott Smith, Eddie Smith and Karyn Adams,

Also attending were Gerald Green, Executive Director for the Commission, and various members of Knoxville-Knox County Planning ("Staff") who provide professional, technical, and clerical support to the Commission.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Phillips at 11:32 o'clock a.m., who invited the Commission's newest members, Eddie Smith and Karyn Adams to briefly introduce themselves, which was completed in due order.

Mr. Green then welcomed the new Commissioners, and provided the Executive Director's Monthly Report, which included the following:

1. The Regional Mobility Plan is well underway, using creative and novel methods to elicit public participation and input.
2. COVID-19 continues to challenge the Staff to complete its missions timely and efficiently, while remaining in compliance with the required safety measures
3. The Work Plan for fiscal year 2020/2021 is being finalized, to include several corridor studies.

Commissioner Sandra Korbelik joined the meeting at this time.

4. Being his final Agenda Review Meeting prior to retirement, Mr. Green expressed his appreciation to the Commissioners for the opportunity to work with them over the past 5 years, and for their strong commitment to the community.

Liz Albertson of Staff then explained the Staff recommendation for Item 8 on the Commission's July Agenda, and responded to questions about increased demand for housing in the community arising from the presence of the University of Johnson, formerly known as Johnson Bible College

Ms. Albertson then explained the Staff recommendation for Agenda Item 12, noting that the matter is recommended for postponement. She responded to questions, and discussion ensued.

Ms. Albertson then explained the Staff recommendation for Agenda Item 16, and responded to questions. Discussion ensued.

Michelle Portier of Staff then explained the Staff recommendation for Agenda 13, and must have done a heck of a job, as there were no questions, and there was no discussion.

Ms. Portier then explained the Staff recommendation for Agenda Item 15, and responded to questions.

Mike Reynolds of Staff then explained the Staff recommendation for Agenda Item 17, noting: (i) that the matter is recommended for postponement; (ii) that the Staff report was prepared by the recently retired Staff member, Tom Brechko; and, (iii) that any defects or inadequacies in the report should be placed squarely at the feet of Mr. Brechko.

Mr. Reynolds then explained the Staff recommendation for Agenda Item 18, once again blaming the hapless Mr. Brechko for any perceived deficiencies in the report. Mr. Reynolds responded to Commissioner's questions, and a lively and free-ranging discussion ensued.

Mr. Reynolds then explained the Staff recommendation for Agenda Item 22, and responded to questions. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner then reminded the Commission that an election of a Chair, and potentially a Vice Chair for the balance of the calendar year will be conducted as part of Other Business at the July meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, and without a peep having been heard from Tom Brechko, the meeting was duly adjourned.

Recording Secretary