MINUTES Agenda Review Meeting Tuesday, March 8, 2011 City – County Building

The Knoxville/Knox County Metropolitan Planning Commission convened on Tuesday, March 8, 2011, at Noon in the Small Assembly Room of the City-County Building, for the Monthly Agenda Review meeting. In attendance were Planning Commissioners Rebecca Longmire, Vice Chair of MPC, Jack Sharp, Nate Kelley, Art Clancy, Bart Carey, Laura Cole, Brian Pierce and Ursula Bailey. Also in attendance were MPC Executive Director Mark Donaldson, and various staff members.

Mr. Donaldson called the meeting to order and reported on land use activities of the City Council and the County Commissions since the last Agenda Review Meeting. Commissioners Michael Kane and Wes Stowers joined the meeting during those reports.

Mr. Donaldson then reported on staff recommendations for Agenda Items 5, 6, 35 and 36 of the Agenda for the March MPC meeting.

Commissioner Clancy advised the Commission of efforts of the Church to secure housing in West Knoxville for several nuns. Thereafter followed a discussion of the recent ordinance revisions restricting the number of unrelated persons permitted to reside in a single residence, and the history of the "Seven Nun Conundrum". Commissioner Carey observed that one nun less than the total group would still be nun.

Mike Reynolds of MPC Staff then explained the Inskip Small Area Plan, (Agenda Item 10 to March on the Agenda) including the participation by the community and the evolution of the plan. Mr. Reynolds reviewed the various elements of the proposed Plan and noted that the most significant traffic issue in the area is the lack of accommodation for pedestrian traffic.

There followed the discussion of the estimated cost for installation of sidewalks throughout the community and the potential for a less expensive alternative, deleting storm water handling and curbs, and the potential to amend the proposed Plan to make information about such costs more readily apparent.

There being no further discussion from the Commission, it was duly adjourned.

This 8th day of March, 2011.

Stephen R. Wise Recording Secretary