

Chatham County Appearance Commission
1/27/2021
Meeting Minutes — Dan Sundberg, Acting Secretary

In attendance for the meeting were:

Shelly Jacobs, Acting Chair
Dan Sundberg, Acting Secretary
Davis Andrews
Grimsley Hobbs
Clinton Miller
Kim D'Amico
Angela Plummer, planning staff

Absent: Phil Cox, William Garrett, Mary Barone

Minutes approved.

1st presentation:

Commercial properties Inc.

Joel Maulin PLA

Don Batalle

15-501 Grocery, SD West Briar Chapel

Discussion about the design being very similar to past presentation. Mr. Maulin explained the differences. The desire for the design to be more as discussed at previous meeting was countered with the design being approved as is when retaining walls removed from design and plan approved by appearance commission.

Cost was discussed and the suggestion to downsize 3" caliper trees to 2" would provide enough money to compromise and add more buffer material. The result is red cedar and loblolly pine would be planted 8' o.c. in a staggered pattern at the top of the slope adjacent to the parking lot in a meandering pattern.

Mr. Batalle wished it be noted that "they listened, they heard and worked in parameters given and tried their best to work with us". This was agreed to.

The project was approved.

2nd presentation:

Chatham EOC Building South of the old landfill

Presented by Mike Ritze, Harry Vetonic, Brian Stevens, Daniel Watley PLA,

The design was noted to contain many native plants. The buffer required is a 60'

Type A buffer.

Two tree radii do not have corresponding trees. The islands were removed but the radii not erased. To be fixed.

The primary area of discussion was the island to the North of the parking lot and south of Innovation Dr.

The desire for pollinators to replace needle point hollies. Debbie Roos will be consulted by the project team for advice on species. The amount of plants will depend on cost saved by eliminating needle point hollies. The plants will blend into the saved trees in the noted area. Blueberries and Itea were suggested.

Also, change Burford holly out for Wax Myrtle.

The project was approved.

Discussion:

The need for a revised UDO is needed ASAP.

Meeting was adjourned.