MEMORANDUM

TO: Northampton County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Northampton County Planning Commission

SUBJECT: 2017 Annual Report

DATE: February 6, 2018

This report is provided in accordance with VA Code §15.2-2221 to summarize the Planning Commission’s activities during the past year and to advise the Board of Supervisors of matters which the Commission believes are future work priorities. The Commission requests that a joint work session be scheduled in order to discuss the upcoming work program.

2017 Activities

The Commission held twelve (12) regular monthly meetings and fourteen (14) recessed meetings for a total of 26 meetings in 2017. The Planning Commission worked on the Comprehensive Plan all year and also prepared and held the Plan Review Stakeholder Group meeting in September which provided the Planning Commission with comments for review and inclusion into the draft document. All meetings after September consisted of reviewing comments and including the comments into the draft Plan.

The Commission held a total of twenty one (21) public hearings during 2017. The following is a summary of the types of hearings conducted:

- **Agricultural & Forestal Districts (AFDs)** – 2 hearings
- **Subdivision ordinance amendments** – 0 hearing
- **Joint public hearing with a town council** – 2 hearings (Eastville – two text and 1 map)
- **Comprehensive Plan amendments** – 0 hearings
- **Zoning Map Amendments (county only)** – 2 hearings
- **Zoning Text Amendments (county only)** – 6 hearings
- **Special Use Permits** – 9 hearings
Janet Sturgis was appointed on September 13, 2017 as an At-Large member. All seats are now filled and all Commissioners have completed training with the exception of Commissioner Sturgis and Commissioner Castro Webber.

Future Issues and Topics for Discussion

A table follows which includes Goals for 2018 which the Commission has deemed important for consideration.

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<th>2017 Goals</th>
<th>Progress to Date</th>
<th>2018 Goals</th>
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<td>Continue required 5-year review of Comprehensive Plan per Virginia Code §15.2-2223.</td>
<td>The first draft of the Comprehensive Plan has been published and reviewed by the Plan Review Stakeholder’s Group as well as the public. Comments continue to be evaluated for inclusion in the draft Comprehensive Plan.</td>
<td>Complete Comprehensive Plan review according to attached revised schedule.*</td>
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<td>Review of Subdivision Ordinance (BOS/PC/staff roundtable approach) to ensure compliance with adopted zoning ordinance revisions.</td>
<td>Deferred until completion of the Comprehensive Plan.</td>
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<td>Development of a Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) as per VA Code §15.2-2223.</td>
<td>Awaiting direction from the Board of Supervisors.</td>
<td>Develop CIP following adoption of Comprehensive Plan revisions.</td>
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