

COUNTY OF ALBEMARLE
TRANSMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SUMMARY OF PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION

AGENDA TITLE: CPA201800007 for Conserving Biodiversity	AGENDA DATE: July 3, 2019
SUBJECT/PROPOSAL/REQUEST: Comprehensive Plan Amendment to incorporate biodiversity strategies into the Natural Resources Chapter of the County's Comprehensive Plan.	STAFF CONTACT(S): Kamptner, Herrick, Graham, Hannah
SCHOOL DISTRICT: N/A	PRESENTER (S): David Hannah

BACKGROUND:

At its meeting on May 14, 2019, the Planning Commission voted 5:0 (Bivins, Dotson absent) to recommend approval of CPA201800007 (Attachment Att.A2).

DISCUSSION:

This Comprehensive Plan Amendment will revise the Objective 4 section of the Natural Resources Chapter of the Comprehensive Plan. In June 2018, a Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) for Albemarle County was completed. Completing the BAP marked the first step in implementing the current Strategy 4a of the Comprehensive Plan's Natural Resources Chapter. Amending the Comprehensive Plan as proposed will complete the implementation of current Strategy 4a. Information and guidance from the BAP was used to develop strategies designed to help conserve biodiversity in the County. The total number of strategies under Objective 4 would increase from eight to thirteen. Six of the thirteen strategies would be new and seven of the thirteen would be retained from the current set of strategies, though with some revisions.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends that the Board adopt the attached Resolution (Attachment Att.D) to approve CPA201800007.

ATTACHMENTS:

Att.A – Planning Commission Staff Report
Att.A1 – Summary of Public Comments
Att.A2 – Resolution to Recommend Approval of CPA
Att.A3 – Summary of Revised Comp Plan Strategies
Att.A4 – Current Version of Comp Plan-Chapter 4 Objective 4
Att.A5 – Amended Comp Plan-clean version
Att.A6 – Amended Comp Plan-redline version
Att.A7 – Amended Chapter 13 Comp Plan-redline
Att.B – Planning Commission Action Memo
Att.C – Planning Commission Minutes-DRAFT
Att.D – Resolution to approve CPA201800007