

**MIDDLETOWN PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**31 West Main Street**  
**Middletown, Maryland**

**Virtual Workshop**

**February 16, 2022**

The virtual workshop of the Middletown Planning Commission took place on Wednesday, February 16, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. via a Zoom meeting. Those present (quorum) were Commission Chairman Mark Carney, Commission Members Bob Miller, Chris Mills, Sean Mahar, Town Board Liaison Jean LaPadula, Alternate Eric Ware and Temporary Alternate Robert Wilkes. Others present in official capacity: Cindy Unangst (Staff Planner).

**FEBRUARY MONTHLY PLANNING COMMISSION WORKSHOP:**

**PLAN REVIEW - none**

**ZONING**

**Fencing section text amendment** – Town Board liaison Jean LaPadula led the discussion on the newly approved fencing ordinance and asked for suggestions on how to improve it.

**Sign ordinance revisions** – Cindy explained that the sign ordinance is proposed to be rewritten to be content neutral and stated that Hagerstown’s recently approved sign ordinance does a good job in being content neutral. She will incorporate language used by Hagerstown in rewriting our sign regulations.

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE**

**Chapter 8 Municipal Growth Element** – Cindy reviewed the additions made to the Municipal Growth Element.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**Annual Report 2021 and map** - Cindy explained for the new members the format the Town uses for its annual report as opposed to what is expected by the MD Department of Planning. She is still waiting on information from the Town Administrator on water and sewer usage numbers from the previous year.

**Workshop adjourned at 8:20pm.**

Respectfully submitted,  
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