Administrative Amendment Request to Modify Zoning Condition for Fullwood Lane Traffic Signal

DATE: December 6, 2017  
FROM: Jay Camp

When the ACTS expansion was approved in 2012, a zoning note was included that required a 3-minute wait for drivers exiting either side of Plantation Estates. Since the signal became active earlier this year, residents have complained of long wait times at the new intersection. Since the signal timing was a zoning condition, any change to the timing must occur through the Administrative Amendment process. Planning Board has recommended changing the zoning note so that it reads:

“The Petitioner will install a traffic signal at the Fullwood Lane driveway entrance at the time that the Fullwood Lane driveway is constructed. This mast style traffic signal shall be green for Fullwood Lane cars and change only on demand for the 2 driveways after a 3 minute delay as determined by the Town of Matthews.

Related Town Goal(s) and/or Strategies:
Quality of Life  
Economic Development/Land Use Planning

Recommended Motion/Action:
Approve revised conditional note for traffic signal timing on Fullwood Lane.
October 13, 2017

Hazen Blodgett  
Town Manager  
Matthews Town Hall  
232 Matthews Station Street  
Matthews, NC 28105

Dear Hazen,

It is ACTS understanding that when the conditional zoning was approved for the Plantation Estates expansion, the provisory notes required having the Fullwood Lane traffic signal on a set timer. ACTS would like to formally request that the Matthews town staff have the flexibility to set the traffic light timer.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Steve Messer  
Campus Executive Director
Hi Kathi,

I am okay with the amended wording "as determined by Matthews Public Works staff."

Steve,

I have asked various Town staff to weigh in on what might be the most appropriate wording change for the signal on Fullwood Lane. Please see the email thread below. I don't expect there to be much discussion and it should be a quick decision to approve a note change. We do, however, need to determine how exactly the revised note should read. Based on the lack of further discussion, the consensus from Town staff seems to be something along the lines of this:

"The Petitioner will install a traffic signal at the Fullwood Lane driveway entrance at the time that the Fullwood Lane driveway is constructed. This mast style traffic signal shall be green for Fullwood Lane cars and change only on demand for the 2 driveways after a 3 minute delay as determined by Matthews Public Works staff. (This development standard was previously approved as a part of Rezoning Application #589 and is listed here for reference only.)"

If this, or something you further wordsmith, is the text you want to request, please send me an email with the specific wording you would like to propose be considered. The Planning Board will review it at their meeting on Tuesday November 28, and it can go to Council for approval on Monday December 11. Both meetings will be in the Hood Room at Town Hall starting at 7 PM.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thanks!!

Kathi

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From: Susan Habina-Woolard, PE <shwooland@matthewsnc.gov>
Date: Mon, Oct 23, 2017 at 4:37 PM