

**COUNTY OF ALBEMARLE
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

<u>AGENDA TITLE:</u> CPA 04-02 Pantops Master Plan	<u>STAFF:</u> David Benish, Rebecca Ragsdale
<u>SUBJECT/PROPOSAL/REQUEST:</u> Second of three work sessions to discuss the draft Pantops Master Plan.	<u>PLANNING COMMISSION DATE:</u> November 21, 2006

BACKGROUND

The Pantops Master Plan process has been underway since July 2003. This spring and summer, a preliminary draft master plan which included Public Input Themes and Preliminary Recommendations (Goals), the Framework (Land Use) Plan, the Green Infrastructure Plan, and the Transportation Plan were discussed with the public and feedback on the preliminary draft was received. Prior to moving forward with developing the master plan document, the Planning Commission discussed the preliminary elements of the plan at four meetings (August 22, 29, and September 9, 19, 2006) to ensure that the Commission was comfortable with the recommendations of the Plan and to provide comments and suggested changes to staff. Based on the Planning Commission's direction during the summer work sessions, the Pantops Master Plan document has been drafted by staff and revisions have been made to the Framework and Green Infrastructure Maps. The Preliminary Recommendations discussed with the Commission have been incorporated into the draft Master Plan.

Similar to the series of meetings held this summer, staff scheduled three work sessions to review the Pantops Master Plan draft with the Commission on November 7, 21, and 28, 2006. At the November 7 meeting, the Commission and public were provided Chapters 1-4, including the Introduction, Vision and Guiding Principles, Background, Land Use and Places, along with the Framework and Green Infrastructure Plans for the Commission to review. Staff provided the Commission an overview presentation at the work session on November 7, 2006 and the Commission discussed Chapters 1, 2, 3, and a portion of Chapter 4 to approximately page 23 of that Chapter.

DISCUSSION

At the November 21, 2006 work session, the Commission will continue their discussion on Chapter 4 and discuss Chapter 5-Green Infrastructure and Chapter 6-Transportation. At the November 28, 2006 work session, the Commission will discuss Community Facilities, Implementation, and Design Approaches to conclude comments on the draft. The Implementation Map, which will illustrate priority recommendations and transportation projects, will be discussed with the Commission the November 28, 2006 work session. Following review of maps and text, the final document will be formatted with photographs and illustrations for adoption following any revisions recommended by the Commission. The Pantops Master Plan is scheduled to be completed by the end of this year; however no specific public hearing dates are scheduled yet.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Commission review of and discussion of the draft Pantops Master Plan.

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Draft Pantops Master Plan Chapters 4, 5, and 6 dated October 31, 2006, prepared by Albemarle County Department of Community Development
- B. Neighborhood Model Design Approaches for Parks and Open Space
- C. Pantops Framework Plan
- D. Pantops Green Infrastructure Plan