

Charlotte County Planning Commission  
Work Session – Comprehensive Plan Update  
July 26, 2022  
Charlotte County Administration Office

Present:

Miller Adams	W.V. Nichols
James Benn	Hazel Bowman Smith*
Cornell Goldman	Eugene Wells

Absent:

Patrick Andrews	Kerwin Kunath
Andrew Carwile	Clark Poindexter
Kenny Howard	David Watkins, Jr.

*\*Board of Supervisors Representative (non-voting)*

Guest: Todd Fortune, Deputy Director, Commonwealth Regional Council

Staff in Attendance: Monica Elder, Assistant County Administrator

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Vice-Chairman Cornell Goldman called the work session to order at 6:00 pm.

Eugene Wells provided the invocation.

Todd Fortune, Deputy Director of the Commonwealth Regional Council introduced Lauren Jones, who recently joined their staff. Mr. Fortune then reviewed the results from the comprehensive plan citizen survey and Chapters 1 & 2 of the draft plan.

In discussing the incorporation of the Amish community into the plan, Mr. Fortune explained that Lauren had been able to obtain some estimates from Elizabethtown College, based on data they compile from newspaper articles. By consensus the Commission determined staff should also request input from the elders of the Amish community regarding their population, schools, and businesses.

Commissioners also requested the inclusion of out-migration data if available.

Mr. Fortune then explained that limited 2020 Census data had been released. Figures from the American Community Survey or 2010 Census were being used when 2020 data was not available. However, he noted that the plan would be updated if additional Census data was released in the near future.

The Commission then discussed the timeline for completing the update.

The next work session was scheduled for August 23rd at 6:00 pm.

The work session was adjourned.