

MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 23, 2021

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Paul D. Holt, III, Director of Community Development and Planning

SUBJECT: Initiation of Consideration of Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Ordinance to Provide Additional Requirements to Protect and Preserve Scenic Roadways such as Forge Road

On October 26, 2021, the Board of Supervisors adopted the James City County 2045 Comprehensive Plan “Our County, Our Shared Future.”

At the request of a supervisor, staff has prepared the attached Initiating Resolution to consider possible amendments to the Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Ordinance to provide additional requirements to protect and preserve scenic roadways such as Forge Road.

The purpose of such amendments would be to implement Goal, Strategy, and Action (GSA) No. Land Use (LU) 6.3 which states:

“To help retain the character of Rural Lands, develop additional zoning and subdivision tools (e.g., scenic easement dedication requirements, increased minimum lot sizes, increased setbacks, and/or overlay districts) to protect and preserve scenic roadways such as Forge Road. Consider 400-foot setbacks along Community Character Corridors outside the PSA.”

Staff recommends approval of the attached resolution.

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Attachment:

1. Resolution