

Data Center Ordinance Advisory Group

Meeting Notes

Wednesday, January 31, 2024

Meeting Location: Development Services Building, Room 107

1. Team check-in

- a. **Kathy – Amazon is sending out marketing information about the virtues of data centers and what they bring to the community. Residents are concerned about the lack of information on the impacts of noise and other issues.**
- b. **Ray – Referenced his email which he sent out after our January 17 meeting.**
- c. **Bob – Some Chamber members are down in Richmond representing data center issues this week.**

2. Consultant update – Wade

- a. **There will be 2 data center items on the February 20 BOCS agenda:**
 - i. **Extension of the sunset clause for the noise ordinance for one more year**
 - ii. **Request to budget and appropriate about \$270,000 for the consultant for the Noise Ordinance.**
- b. **At our last meeting the group discussed modifying the task order in hopes that JMT could a partial task order. JMT was unable to do a turnaround that quickly. However, they agreed to meet with the DCOAG for a kickoff meeting on February 14, even though the Board has not appropriated the funds yet.**
- c. **We may not need to go out to bid for the DCSM/Zoning Ordinance consultant, as the County just awarded a new set of contracts which may fall in the scope of what we need.**
- d. **The Noise Ordinance and the DCSM/Zoning Ordinance can both be completed and adopted by the Board once they are ready. We do not have to wait until the entire rewrite of the Zoning Ordinance is complete.**
- e. **Once we receive the information from JMT for the kickoff meeting, Amanda will send that out to the group.**
- f. **Amanda will resend the Noise Ordinance SOW out to the group**

3. Discuss forming an Interim Data Center Noise Complaint Investigation Group – Dr. Lyver

- a. **Our end goal after JMT completes their work is to bring their findings and the proposed noise ordinance to the Board for adoption. Once that is done, we will then have a better understanding of what is needed from an enforcement standpoint.**

