

PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING SUMMARY
January 2, 1991
8:15 A.M.

A special meeting of the Planning and Economic Development Committee of the City of Chesterfield was held on January 2, 1991 at 8:15 a.m., in the City Council Conference Room. In attendance were: Chairman Betty Hathaway (Ward I); Councilmember Jade Bute (Ward II); Councilmember Dan Hurt (Ward III); Councilmember Dick Hrabko (Ward IV); and Anna Kleiner, Planning Specialist. Also in attendance were Perry Mehlmann and Marvin King, C & P Ventures; and Mr. Dave Strong and Steve Brophy, Union Electric representatives.

ITEM #1 Westerly Place Subdivision - Placement of Utility Lines

The Committee discussed the options of overhead wiring versus underground wiring for the electric utility lines adjacent to Lots 12, 13 and 14 of Westerly Place Subdivision. The proposed lines will be extending through a ten (10) foot wide easement, which is the same area designated as an undisturbed buffer strip along those Lots. The Committee discussed the aesthetic benefits of underground wiring and in keeping with the spirit of the Ordinance requirements.

The Committee, however, noted that it would be reasonable to extend the overhead lines from the area of Lot 11 to existing lines in the area of Lot 15. This would keep the lines overhead along the entire southern boundary of the subdivision.

The Committee also noted that the installation of underground lines, which typically requires a three (3) foot depth installation, would cause more damage to the trees, specifically to the root systems.

Mr. Brophy from Union Electric noted that it would be beneficial, in the future, for a representative of the City to meet with Union Electric and the developer prior to final decisions made relative to overhead or underground placement of wires.

Councilmember Bute recommended that a representative of Union Electric contact the Planning Department relative to utility placement prior to its installation. Union Electric should advise the Department on scheduled meetings between the utility company and developers, in order for a Department representative to attend.

Councilmember Hathaway made a motion to allow above-ground electric lines along Lots 12, 13 and 14. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hrabko. The Committee approved the motion unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.