

Ferrisburgh, VT
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
2009 Zoning Update



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Dear Route 7 Resident,

The Ferrisburgh Planning Commission is in the process of reviewing and rewriting our Zoning Bylaws. Some of the rewrite is required by the State of Vermont, but there are several areas where citizens, such as you, can offer your input. We are a group of citizens working with the Planning Commission and are asking for your participation in the process.

Enclosed you will find a brief questionnaire. This is being sent only to the property owners along Route 7. Please take the time to read it and respond. You could do it while having breakfast, or while you are sitting outdoors enjoying the lovely Vermont summer weather, or as some bedtime reading and intellectual stimulation! Please return it in the enclosed envelope. The envelope has a stamp on it, so this will not cost you any money, only your time.

So please, start writing down your thoughts, wrap it up in the envelope, and let the postal service zip it right back to us. Sally (the postal carrier in Ferrisburgh), and JoAnne (the carrier in North Ferrisburgh) are really good at taking these things out of your mailbox and putting it in ours!

We wish to gather all the responses by July 9th so we can process the information and report to the Planning Commission at their July 15th meeting. At the meeting on July 15th the Planning Commission will be discussing the Route 7 corridor. Please mark your calendar and attend the meeting at 7:00 pm at the town offices. Thank you so much!

Sincerely,

The Members of the Citizens Advisory Committee

Questionnaire About The Ferrisburgh Route 7 Corridor

1) What kinds of improvements, changes or development would you like to make on your Route 7 property over the next 5 to 10 years?

2) What zoning district is your property in? A) Rural Residential-2 ___ B) Residential/Agricultural-5 ___
C) Industrial-2 ___ D) Village ___ E) Highway Commercial-2 ___ F) Conservation-25 ___
G) I Don't Know ___

3) What do you think the Route 7 corridor from the Vergennes/Waltham line to the Charlotte line will look like in 5 to 10 years?

A) The same as it does now ___ B) There will be more new development ___

Comments:

4) Are there commercial or light industrial uses that you think are not appropriate along Route 7 in Ferrisburgh? (Light Industry is defined as a completely enclosed or screened manufacturing facility with no off-site visibility of stored materials or goods, and that has no off-site impacts)

5) What scale of commercial or light industrial development is appropriate along Route 7? ("scale" starts with size, but can refer density, size of buildings, lot coverage, amount of lots developed or redeveloped, or changes in zoning to allow commercial uses where they are not presently allowed)

6) Should there be mixed uses along Route 7? (Mixed use is defined as being a lot or structure containing two or more uses.)

A) Yes ___ B) No ___

Comments:

7) Does building style and/or appearance matter to you?

A) Yes ___ B) No ___

Comments:

8) What types or size of signs do you think are appropriate for businesses on Route 7? (Please cite examples of what you like or dislike)

9) What amount and types of exterior lighting should be allowed for businesses on route 7? (Please cite examples of what you like or dislike)

10) How do you feel about national or regional chain or franchise business development in Ferrisburgh? (as opposed to locally-developed businesses)

A) I am in favor of them ___ B) I am not in favor of them ___

Comments:

Name _____

Date _____