ADA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF THE MAY 3, 2006 WORK SESSION MEETING

A work session meeting of the Ada Township Planning Commission was held on Wednesday, May 3, 2006, at the Ada Township Offices, 7330 Thornapple River Dr., Ada, Michigan.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Korth at 5:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Korth, Burton, Butterfield, Gutierrez, Hoeks, Lowry, Sytsma.

Also Present: Planning Director Ferro.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

It was moved by Gutierrez, seconded by Burton, to approve the agenda.

Motion passed unanimously.

IV. DISCUSSION OF MASTER PLAN REVISIONS.

Ferro distributed tables containing projections of buildout population in the portion of the Township north and east of the Grand River, under various planned density scenarios, including densities permitted under current zoning. Alternative scenarios for which projections were prepared included decreasing planned densities in the AG and RR districts to either 1 unit per 3 acres, 5 acres or 10 acres.

Commission members discussed the implications of the projections for the Master Plan. The limited road capacity on the 2 bridges across the Grand River is a concern. The Commission discussed the possibility of reducing permitted densities in the area north and east of the river, because of the transportation system constraints. The possibility of a 3rd zoning district for parts of the area was also discussed.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT.

There was no public comment.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Ensing Millhuff, CMC Ada Township Clerk rs:jf