AN ORDINANCE UPDATING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE CITY OF NORTH CHARLESTON

WHEREAS, The South Carolina Local Government Comprehensive Planning Enabling Act requires a local government to update its Comprehensive Plan every ten years; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Charleston's Department of Planning and Zoning, the Planning Commission and its Advisory Committee have completed the Comprehensive Plan update, including addressing all required elements and holding all required meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has passed a Resolution recommending that Council adopt the updated Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, Council has reviewed the updated Comprehensive Plan and wishes to adopt it; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained, by the Mayor and City Council in Council assembled, that the City of North Charleston hereby adopts the updated Comprehensive Plan, a copy of which is attached and incorporated herein, to guide the development and redevelopment of the City and for all other purposes authorized by law.

THE WITHIN ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON ITS RATIFICATION BY CITY COUNCIL.

Resolved in City Council this 24th day of find the Year of Our Lord, 2008 and in the 232nd year of the Independence of the United States of America.

Attest:

Ellen Clark Municipal Clerk

Approved as to Form:

R. KEITH SUMMEY

MAYOR

Legal Counsel

NORTH CHARLESTON CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Meeting of July 24, 2008

Date: July 18, 2008

Item Title: Ordinance - Final Reading

Proposed Approval of the Comprehensive Development Plan

Submitted by: Planning Commission

Contact Person: Bill Gore, 740-2578

SUMMARY EXPLANATION

This item is for the proposed update of the Comprehensive Development Plan for the City of North Charleston. The State of South Carolina requires local jurisdictions engaged in land use planning and zoning to prepare and update a Comprehensive Development Plan once every 10 years. The City obtained the services of Robert & Company of Atlanta, Georgia to assist in the update of the plan which is before the Council for First Reading and Public Hearing. The project team hosted a series of Planning and Land Use workshops at various locations around the City to collect public input. The City Staff also worked with a coalition of Neighborhood Association Presidents to generate public participation on the project. The plan update examines Population, Housing, Economic Development, Land Use, Natural Resources, Cultural Resources, Community Facilities, and Transportation. It also includes a section on implementation. The Plan was presented to the public and to the Planning Commission on March 24, 2008. The Planning Commission took the matter up on April 14, 2008 and recommended approval of the Comprehensive Development Plan to City Council. The plan was also presented at a Special City Council Workshop on May 19, 2008 and discussed at the Committee of the Whole meeting on July 16, 2008.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommended approval.

Board, Commission, Committee Recommendations:

On April 14, 2008, the Planning Commission voted to approve the proposed Comprehensive Development Plan (6-0-0). On June 12, 2008, the City Council held a first reading and public hearing and referred the item to the Committee of the Whole. On July 16, 2008, the Committee of the Whole voted to recommend approval contingent upon the addition of some clarifying language at the introduction to the Implementation Chapter.

The first workshop to review <u>Chapter 10 Implementtion</u> is scheduled for Friday, October 17, 2008 in the Coliseum Club North from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Council Committee Recommendation:

Council Action:

			Exhibits			
Resolution	Ordinance	Contract	_Minutes	Plan/Map_	Transfer of Funds	Other