

Chatham County Appearance Commission

June 8, 2011

Members Present: Ginny Gregory, (Chair); Al Cooke; Davis Andrews; Caroline Siverson;
Grim Hobbs; Sue Schwartz

Staff: Angela Birchett

Presenters: Kent Dickens, (Owner); female guest, (Resident of Trailer Park under discussion)

Mr. Dickens is seeking to expand his trailer park in SE Chatham County near Shearon Harris Power Plant, where construction workers on long-term (e.g. 3-6 months) contracts park their temporary homes. The previously installed buffering is not thriving and in some cases has not survived, thus the required screening has not achieved its goal. The CCAC asked that more evergreen materials be planted to attain the screening that the Guidelines require. There was no landscape plan presented, as required by the Guidelines. The members asked Mr. Dickens to return in July to the regularly scheduled 6:30pm meeting on the second Wednesday of the month with a landscape plan showing the locations of the new plant materials, a list of those materials by name and a maintenance plan to ensure that these new plantings and the remainder of the previously installed plant material survive and reach the required height and density of the screen as called for in the Guidelines. Suggestions of plant materials included *Magnolia grandiflora* and Eastern Red Cedar (*Juniperus virginiana*). The use of supplementary watering devices, e.g. Gator Bags, was highly recommended as a means of ensuring survival of the plant materials, both old and new.