

OBSERVER CORPS REPORTING FORM

OBSERVED MEETING: COUNTY COUNCIL

DATE: OF MEETING: DEC.12, 2023

OBSERVER: JACK YOUNG

FEATURE EVALUATED	YES	NO	COMMENTS
1. Did meeting start on time?	x		
2. Were all members present?	x		
3. Were members attentive?	x		
4. Did members ask relevant and probing questions?	x		
5. Were open-meetings laws observed?	x		
6. Were agenda and background packages made available before and at the meeting?	x		Available on Council website before the Meeting
7. Were all discussion items included in agenda?	x		
8. Were agenda items clearly described for discussion?	x		
9. Were agenda amendments made in a timely manner?			Not Applicable
10. Were any "Executive Sessions" called?	x		
11. Were any non-agenda items discussed?		x	
12. Were members courteous to each other and the public?	x		
13. Did any items appear to have been discussed prior to the meeting?			Undetermined
14. Did anyone testify at the public hearing segment of the meeting and was there an adequate opportunity for public input provided?	x		Representative of Sussex Preservation Coalition (SPC) testified on their continuing interest in Council enactment of the ordinances
15. Were public comments taken into consideration in the decisions made?			
16. Did any member recuse themselves during the meeting? For what reason?		x	

During the meeting what issues of importance to the County and League were considered ? (Describe in less 200 words. –Use the back if necessary)

The County Administrator presented a preliminary staff discussion of perimeter buffer considerations. This discussion included: definitions; standards; landscape plans; timing and bonding; buffer maintenance, and; replacement of trees improperly removed. The presentation is attached.

What action should LWVSCDE consider in light of the matters considered at this meeting?
Continue active participation in SPC and drafting of ordinances.