

**FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP  
PLANNING COMMISSION POLICY  
FOR AMENDING THE MASTER PLAN  
WHEN PRESENTED WITH A REZONING REQUEST  
WHICH DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THE PLAN**

1. Planning Commission holds a public hearing on the rezoning request.
2. As part of the analysis of the rezoning the Planning Commission determines the effect which granting the rezoning would have on the Master Plan.
3. If the Planning Commission determines that the proposed rezoning is more appropriate or as appropriate than the recommendation of the Master Plan it may recommend approval of the rezoning request to the Township Board. As part of this determination the Commission could simply arrive at a consensus that the Master Plan should be amended without taking a formal vote.

If the rezoning is approved by the Township Board the Planning Commission may then initiate proceedings to formally amend the Master Plan in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Enabling Act being Act 33 of 2008 as amended in order for the zoning change or changes to align with the Master Plan.

4. For rezoning requests which do not comply with the Master Plan but involve parcels which are relatively small and which abut or are quite close to a Master Plan Future Land Use boundary the Commission has the authority to determine the intent of the Master Plan boundary for this particular area and decide where the most appropriate location for the zoning line should be. This can be done without amending the Master Plan as long as the Commission provides clear reasons for its decision.

**ADOPTED BY THE FRUITLAND TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION AT THE  
REGULAR MEETING ON FEBRUARY 3, 2010**