Spotsylvania County Comprehensive Plan Update Work Session 1

August 2, 2017

Major Components of Update

Chapter 1 – Introduction and Vision

- Update demographic data and projections
- Review and amend Vision statement, if deemed appropriate
- Review, update, and amend Guiding Principles and Strategies to guide the plan development
- Action Plan update (later in schedule)

Chapter 2 – Land Use

- Review current Primary Development Boundary and determine if any changes are needed to the boundary or policies
- Review the land use categories and determine if they are appropriate and whether any new categories are needed
- Update Future Land Use Map
- Review and update land use policies

Chapter 3 – Transportation & Thoroughfare Plan

- Updates related to the Code of Virginia; local, state, and regional plans that exist or are in process; modes of transportation; and the Travel Demand Model
- Review and update Transportation Impact Analysis policy as necessary
- Review and update transportation policies and strategies
- Review and update the Thoroughfare Plan
  - Prioritized list

Chapter 4 – Public Facilities Plan

- Update existing facility information
- Review and update each facility focusing on levels of service, service areas, and facility standards
  - Public Schools
  - FREM
  - Sheriff
  - Solid Waste Collection & Disposal

- o   Water and Sewer Facilities
- o   Library Facilities
- o   Parks & Recreation

Chapter 5 – Historic Resources

- Updates to background information, as necessary
- Review Goals, Policies, and Strategies and update as necessary

Chapter 6 – Natural Resources

- Updates to background information, as necessary
- Review Goals, Policies, and Strategies and update as necessary

Additional Topics

New Chapter-

- Economic Development Plan

Greater Focus on-

- Expanded demographic data and projections related to housing, economic data, labor stats, unemployment, etc.
- Housing
- Broadband
- Emerging industries & development trends
- Revitalization areas
- Specific areas (Thornburg)

Public Input

Options for early input

- Voting District meetings sponsored by Planning Commissioner with Board member

    Pro – Each Planning Commissioner will be able to represent the opinions of their constituents

    Con – Artificial boundary when considering development patterns / land uses

- General meetings at locations convenient to various populations

    Pro – Focus on specific areas (i.e. Lake Anna)

    Con –

Options for specific topic input

- Transportation Chapter and Thoroughfare Plan - Transportation Committee
- Public Facilities – Dept./ Agency Directors
- Focus Meetings
    - Housing (Central Virginia Housing Coalition, Fredericksburg Area Association of Realtors, Fredericksburg Area Builders Association)
    - Economic Development (Economic Development Authority, Fredericksburg Regional Alliance, Fredericksburg Area Chamber of Commerce)

During Planning Commission work sessions

- Public comment periods

Draft Plan Review:

- General meetings at locations convenient to various populations

Staff is also investigating on-line methods of gathering input.