

I. INTRODUCTION

The Lake Shore Small Area Plan is a refinement of the 1997 *Anne Arundel County General Development Plan*.

The purpose of the Lake Shore Small Area Plan is to enhance the quality of life in the area and assist with implementation of the goals and recommendations of the General Development Plan. This planning process also seeks to develop collaborative cooperation between citizens, businesses and the County in the planning and development processes.

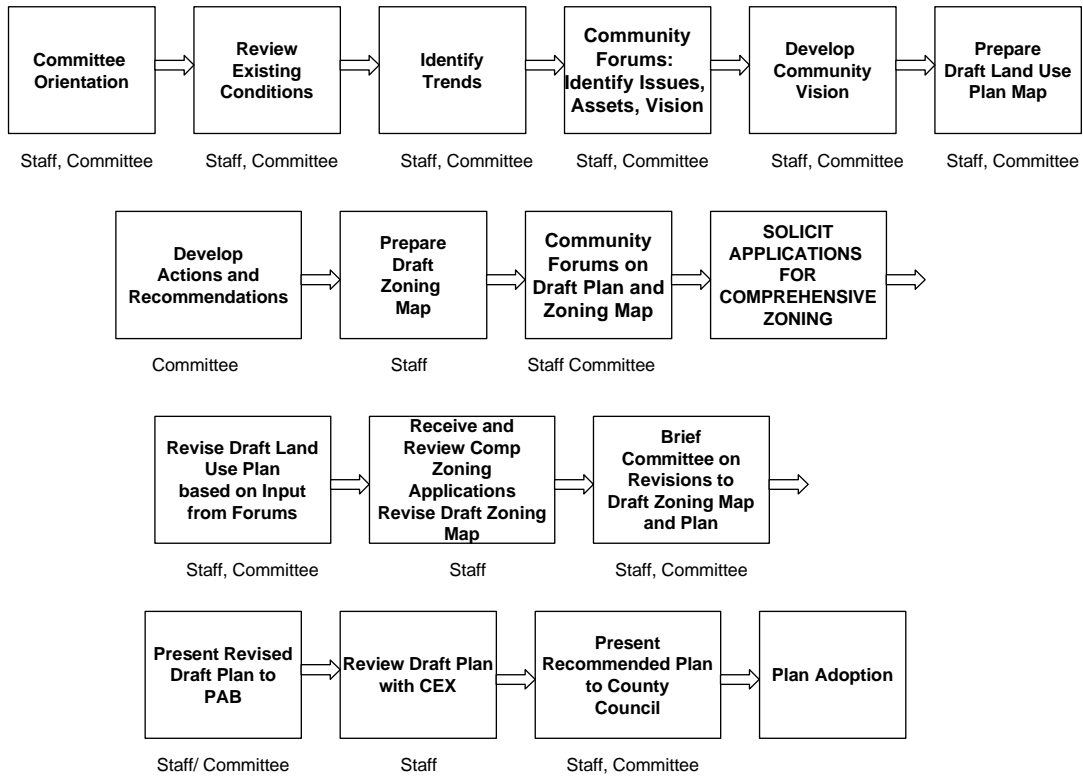
The Plan's development was a collaborative process involving the Lake Shore Small Area Plan Committee, staff from the Office of Planning and Zoning, other County agencies and the public. Together, the Small Area Planning Committee and staff have held two public forums, conducted regular committee meetings, and met with individuals within the Small area to help identify assets, issues, opportunities and a vision for the future. Topics discussed include land use changes, environmental and cultural resource enhancements, road improvements, and needed community services. The Committee also selected the Lake Shore area as an area to study for greenways, recreation and open space opportunities.

This Plan for the Lake Shore Small Area consists of a document, maps and tables. The document gives a background on the community history and demographics, and addresses land use, zoning, economic development, environmental cultural resources, transportation, community facilities and community design. The maps and tables show existing conditions and proposed changes. Together, the text, maps and tables amend the General Development Plan

The Small Area Planning Process

Starting with the appointment of committee members and ending with the adoption of a long-range plan for the community, the Small Area Plan process was designed to maximize public participation, build consensus and present the best plan for the future of the Small Planning Area. All committee meetings have been open to the public. In addition, a public forum was held near the beginning of the process to hear from the community about assets, issues, opportunities and a vision for the future. Another public forum is to be held to present the draft plan that includes recommendations on land use, zoning, environmental and cultural resources, transportation, community facilities and community design. The Committee and staff will then take comments from the second public forum and formulate a second draft plan. This Draft Plan will then be presented to the Planning Advisory Board (PAB) by the County staff and Small Area Plan Committee. The PAB will hold a public hearing to hear additional comments from the public. A recommended Plan from the PAB will be provided to the County Executive for consideration. The County Executive will then introduce the Small Area Plan in the form of legislation to the County Council for public hearing and adoption.

Small Area Planning Process - Tasks and Responsibilities



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