## **Visioning Anne Arundel**



# A continuing online discussion for Plan2040

### SUMMARY OF ONLINE INPUT AND SURVEY COMMENTS

April 2019 – June 2019

### SUMMARY INTRO

The Anne Arundel County Office of Planning and Zoning and the Citizen Advisory Committee held a series of 17 Visioning Meetings in communities throughout the County in April through June, with citizen input activities that will help shape the Vision for Plan2040. Each of the 17 meetings featured three open house-style activities:

- 1. a review and input of boundaries for over 40 communities in the County,
- 2. rating priorities for non-implemented recommendations from the Small Area Plans (SAP) and the 2009 General Development Plan (GDP), and
- 3. a Visioning Survey with four questions for participants to share their vision for the future of the County
  - a. What is special about your community?
  - b. What has changed in the last 15 years?
  - c. What needs improvement?
  - d. What should your community look like in 20 years?

For each meeting, an online survey matched the three activities of the Visioning Meetings, allowing participants who could not attend a live meeting to provide their input.

The following is a summary of the input and comments from the online surveys from BWI/Linthicum, with highlights of the top or most frequently received comments.

Visit the <u>Plan2040 website</u> for detailed data from each of the 17 Visioning Meetings.

#### **BWI-LINTHICUM**

Boundary Review There were no Boundary review comments for BWI-Linthicum.

Vision Survey

There were no Vision Survey Comments for BWI-Linthicum.

#### SAP & GDP Recommendations Survey

The top SAP Land Use and Zoning recommendations that were rated online for BWI-Linthicum are that landscaping should be encouraged along public roads as a buffer along key roads, and that the County's community design standards should consider specific characteristics of existing communities. The top-rated Natural Resources recommendation was to develop a program which would encourage landowners to establish easements on all wetlands and streams. The top Community Facilities recommendation was to establish a satellite senior center in Linthicum.

There were several highly rated SAP Transportation recommendations. The highest rated recommendations were to consider establishing a nonpeak hour regional shuttle bus service in Linthicum, with destinations to include shopping centers. The next highly rated recommendations were that all Light Rail stations should have easy and safe access and to widen the Baltimore-

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Washington Parkway to three lanes in each direction between MD 175 and I-695. Other highly rated transportation recommendations were to improve the MD 295 interchange at West Nursery Road to reduce traffic congestion in the vicinity of this interchange and to create a West Ordinance Road extension between MD 648 south of Burwood Plaza and I-97.

There were several Other recommendations from the SAP that were ranked. The most highly ranked Other recommendation was to expand the coverage and enhance the residential insulation and noise proofing program. The second highest rated recommendation was to allocate funds previously approved for the installation of roadway sound barriers between residences and the airport. The next highest recommendations were to remove telephone poles and signs from sidewalks along Camp Meade Road from Maple Road to Music Lane, and to study, identify and protect an alignment to extend Light Rail service from the BWI Business District to MD 295.

The top-rated 2009 GDP Land Use and Zoning recommendation was to conduct a study of former landfill sites to confirm their current status and assess their current and future suitability for development. The highest rated GDP Community Revitalization recommendations were to identify neighborhoods of communities that qualify as a Neighborhood Conservation District and to establish a community outreach process to be used in developing Neighborhood Conservation Criteria, standards and districts. Another Community Revitalization recommendation that was highly rated was to create a Housing Trust Fund with a dedicated funding source to provide financing to improve and preserve workforce housing. The only GDP Natural Resources recommendation that was rated was to consider the use of tax credits to encourage soft tidal edge erosion techniques.

The top GDP Transportation recommendation was to prepare a comprehensive study of Park and Ride lots to assess supply, demand and improvements needed, and to study the feasibility of extending light rail to other areas of the County and adding stations to the commuter rail line. The other highly rated Transportation recommendation was to revise the impact fee program to allow a portion of transportation impact fees to be dedicated for expansion or improvements to public transit.