

Summary of Participant Input and Comment

Glen Burnie Small Area
 Glen Burnie High School
 May 28, 2019

Total attendees: 7

Activity 1: SAP/GDP Recommendation Dot Exercise

Natural Resources:

Glen Burnie SAP Recommendation	2019 Status and Explanation	Rank Order Votes Received		Total Votes Received
		1	2	
Prepare a watershed management plan for the Patapsco Tidal and Non-tidal watersheds that identifies specific actions needed to improve water quality in area streams. Establish the restoration of Furnace Creek and Marley Creek as a priority environmental program for the next five years.	Partially implemented. The Non-tidal Patapsco River Watershed Management Plan was completed in 2011 and the Tidal Patapsco River Watershed Management Plan was completed in 2012. Numerous stormwater retrofit and stream restoration projects have either been completed or are under design for the Furnace Creek and Marley Creek watersheds.	3	2	5
Continue coordination with DNR, MDE, and MAA to implement the restoration strategies recommended by the Sawmill Creek Targeted Watershed Restoration Project.	Not implemented. The County is undertaking a multi-year study in the Sawmill Creek Watershed that will inform and possibly update the information found in that Sawmill Creek Targeted Watershed Restoration Project report. The focus of this more recent study is to document existing conditions that provide for better-than-anticipated biological community health given the urbanization of this watershed.	2	3	5

<p>Complete Cloverleaf Drive in the area near the Cloverleaf Business Park, where the road discontinues. This will provide additional access to the condominium and apartment complexes in this area and help to relieve traffic conditions on Crain Highway.</p>	<p>Not implemented. A capital project will need to be initiated to fund the design, rights of way acquisition, and construction.</p>	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	3
<p>Extend Dover Road to Bay Meadow Drive to alleviate traffic congestion at the Ritchie Highway and Ordnance Road intersection and around the Glen Burnie Mall.</p>	<p>Partially implemented. The Chesapeake Center Drive project will provide a connection from Ordnance Road to Dover Road establishing an alternative route for patrons of the Chesapeake Center and for general traffic in the vicinity. The project is currently under construction.</p>	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	3
<p>Upgrade Holsum Way adjacent to the Glen Burnie Mall, and improve connections to Ritchie Highway.</p>	<p>Partially implemented. Chesapeake Center Drive is currently being extended from Holsum Way to Dover Road under H474600. A capital project will need to be initiated to fund the design, rights of way acquisition, and construction for improvements along Holsum Way.</p>	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	3
<p>Study the need for a future extension of Oakwood Road from its current terminus at Old Mill Boulevard south to East-West Boulevard, and reserve right-of-way as needed.</p>	<p>Not implemented.</p>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2

Provide full interchange access for all directions at the MD 100/MD 10 interchange.	Not implemented. These are State-controlled roads and as such, will need to be added to the County's annual priority letter to the Maryland Department of Transportation.	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	3
Improve pedestrian and bike access at the Cromwell Light Rail Station; provide a signalized crosswalk and traffic island.	Not implemented.	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	6
Seek funding sources to implement final engineering design and construction of the Glen Burnie Gateways Plan which proposes streetscape and sidewalk improvements to Crain Highway between Aquahart Road and 8th Avenue and to B&A Boulevard between Dorsey Road and MD 10.	Not implemented. Sidewalks along B&A Boulevard from Crain Highway to Dorsey Road have been replaced. The State Highway Administration has completed preliminary design for sidewalk and streetscape improvements along B&A Boulevard between Crain Highway and MD 10, but funding was not provided through completion of construction. The project has recently been reactivated, and continues to be included in the Priority Letter that the County sends to the Maryland Department of Transportation each year.	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5

Other:

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		1	2	3	4	
Develop a program with AAEDC to promote the business incubator concept, in which multiple businesses share common facilities, thereby allowing them to share in the cost of services, training, support systems, insurance, etc. This can be an attractive option for many small businesses and could help to fill some of the vacant office and retail spaces in the area.	Not implemented. Anne Arundel Economic Development Corporation helped to establish business incubators in Annapolis and Odenton that operated for a time; however no business incubators have been established in the Glen Burnie area.	2	2	0	1	5
Provide a second senior facility, in addition to the Pascal Senior Center, to serve senior citizens in the Glen Burnie area; or locate appropriate spaces in existing facilities to provide additional continuing education classes, exercise classes, and recreational activities for seniors. Additional parking is needed for users of the Pascal Center.	Partially implemented. The Department of Aging and Disabilities has identified extra parking for the Pascal Senior Center at the adjacent park.	1	1	1		3
Take initiative in pursuing acquisition and/or promoting redevelopment of the U.S. Army Depot property on East Ordnance Road if the federal government decides to dispose of all or portions of the property. This site includes waterfront property and has good highway access, and would provide an excellent opportunity for mixed use development.	Not implemented. The site remains under Federal ownership and is not available for private redevelopment at this time. Currently zoned for Light Industrial Use, the site provides a valuable opportunity for industrial land uses and particularly Port of Baltimore related uses, given the County's small inventory of land available for these uses.	1	0	2		3

2009 GDP:

2009 GDP Recommendation	2019 Status and Explanation	Rank Order Votes Received							Total Votes Received	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	N/A		
Land Use and Zoning										
Conduct a study of former landfill sites to confirm their current status, and to assess their current and future suitability for development. Develop a Closed Landfills Map.	No progress to date	0	0							0
Amend the development and permit applications review procedures for properties located on or adjacent to former landfill sites, and require applications to be sent to MDE, Health Department and DPW for review and comments.	No progress to date.	0	0							0
Community Revitalization										
Establish criteria to be used in defining a neighborhood as unique, distinct or historic for purposes of establishing a Neighborhood Conservation District program.	On hold. Planning and Zoning reviewed case studies of Neighborhood Conservation Districts in other local jurisdictions as well as sample ordinances. Due to the scale of this project combined with staff reductions, this effort was put on hold. Significant community outreach will be required to initiate, develop and implement this type of program which would ultimately require legislation to establish overlay zones. The priority needs to be examined further during the 2019 GDP update.	2	0	0	0	0	0			2

<p>Based on established criteria, identify neighborhoods or communities that qualify as a Neighborhood Conservation district.</p>	<p>On hold. Planning and Zoning reviewed case studies of Neighborhood Conservation Districts in other local jurisdictions as well as sample ordinances. Due to the scale of this project combined with staff reductions, this effort was put on hold. Significant community outreach will be required to initiate, develop and implement this type of program which would ultimately require legislation to establish overlay zones. The priority needs to be examined further during the 2019 GDP update.</p>	0	1	0	1	0	0		2
<p>Establish a community outreach process to be used in developing Neighborhood Conservation criteria, standards, and districts.</p>	<p>On hold. Planning and Zoning reviewed case studies of Neighborhood Conservation Districts in other local jurisdictions as well as sample ordinances. Due to the scale of this project combined with staff reductions, this effort was put on hold. Significant community outreach will be required to initiate, develop and implement this type of program which would ultimately require legislation to establish overlay zones. The priority needs to be examined further during the 2019 GDP update.</p>	0	0	1	0	1	0		2
<p>Establish objectives and design standards applicable to designated Neighborhood Conservation Districts.</p>	<p>On hold. Planning and Zoning reviewed case studies of Neighborhood Conservation Districts in other local jurisdictions as well as sample ordinances. Due to the scale of this project combined with staff reductions, this effort was put on hold. Significant community outreach will be required to initiate, develop and implement this type of program which would ultimately require legislation to establish overlay zones. The priority needs to be examined further during the 2019 GDP update.</p>	1	1	1	0	0	0		3

Develop legislation to create Neighborhood Conservation overlay districts and associated design standards and/or guidelines.	On hold. Planning and Zoning reviewed case studies of Neighborhood Conservation Districts in other local jurisdictions as well as sample ordinances. Due to the scale of this project combined with staff reductions, this effort was put on hold. Significant community outreach will be required to initiate, develop and implement this type of program which would ultimately require legislation to establish overlay zones. The priority needs to be examined further during the 2019 GDP update.	0	0	0	1	0	0		1
Create a Housing Trust Fund with a dedicated funding source to provide financing to improve, preserve and increase the workforce housing stock.	No progress to date.	0	1	0	0	0	0		1
Natural Resources									
Evaluate the possibility of requiring a fee to be paid and placed in a natural resource restoration fund, when approving modifications in sensitive areas.	No progress to date. Fees for modification applications, along with most other development application and permitting fees, are placed into the County's general operating budget. However, Forest Conservation fee-in-lieu and Open Space fee-in-lieu funds can be used for land acquisition and preservation purposes.	0	0	0					0
Inventory and map potential areas for future mineral extractions.	No progress to date.	0	0	0					0
Consider the use of tax credits to encourage soft tidal edge erosion control techniques such as marsh planting.	No progress to date.	0	0	0					0
Transportation									
Prepare a comprehensive study of Park and Ride lots to assess supply, demand, and improvements needed.	No progress to date. Funding has been allocated through BMC and will require coordination with MTA and BMC. The Office of Transportation's Rideshare Coordinator will be conducting regular surveys of Park and Ride	0	0	0	0				0

	lots utilization to identify areas of need and future demand.								
Conduct feasibility study for the extension of light rail to other areas of the County.	No progress. This was discussed during the past two updates to the Transit Development Plan, but public support for Light Rail extension has been lacking. Planning efforts have focused on other aspects of transit planning including bus transit and ridesharing.	0	0	0	0				0
Study the feasibility of adding stations on the commuter rail line.	No progress to date. This idea has been discussed by the County and MTA and may be studied in the future. The current priority is to make improvements at existing stations.	0	0	0	0				0
Revise the Impact Fee Program to allow a portion of transportation impact fees to be dedicated for expansion or improvements to public transit	No progress to date. Currently development impact fees must be used for capital improvements that will expand the capacity of the public facility. Expansion of the capacity of a road includes extensions, widening, intersection improvements, upgrading signalization, improving pavement conditions, and all other road and intersection capacity enhancements.	0	0	0	0				0

Activity 2: Vision Exercise (written responses)

What is special about your community?

- Access to waters of the Bay

What has changed in the last 15 years?

- Rush Hour traffic has increased since end of recession in 2008 | Must commute to work greater distance at similar times

What needs improvement?

- Filling in developable land with missing resources, work, housing social centers

What should your community look like in 20 years?

- Clusters of work, housing, social centers that unite communities | Limit boundary 3 to 5 miles clusters

Other Comments:

I have enjoyed kayaking, often leading small groups, almost every week, Spring, Summer, and Fall, all of the liquid gem waterways of our fine county. I realize our local waters are vital resources to be both protected and shared, by all. Our wonderful rivers and beautiful Chesapeake Bay are critical. They provide food, recreation, engagement with nature, and most importantly, educate the public, about the balance of our ecosystem, its resilience, along with its fragility. This brings to the forefront how public access to our county's precious gems, need to be protected, and most importantly, expanded. We must look to the future of an expanding population, and the inherent need for population growth to be matched with current and future planning, ahead of time, for reasonable access by our families, friends, tourists, and our future generations. This is good for the people, our waters, and local business.

My passion is to make our county a better place to live today, and further ensure the best for tomorrow. I feel that I can provide added value from my experience and dedication to our community, by improving the public well-being, in order that all of our county citizens can touch and partake of our liquid gem, our water access, to our county's most valued resources.

Activity 3: Community Boundary Review

Glen Burnie area boundaries are too broad

Differing issues

Should be broken into smaller areas (industrial, residential, etc.)

Open Comment Session

What is special about your community?

- Why I wanted to live here: wonderful citizens, diversity and harmony of the citizens of Glen Burnie. The many waterways are a feature, important to the future of Glen Burnie, the County, the State and the world. They are important to the education and sustenance of people, particularly as a food source. The B&A hiker/biker trail is special, with opportunities to meet friendly users along the path.
- Through church and dealing with youth groups, I find there are not enough activities to keep youth busy. The church has an activity center to keep youth busy, with movie nights and partnerships with local businesses. We need to keep youth busy to avoid issues, such as opioids, etc. Youth need to see real and authentic adults, and I hope to be a servant to the community.
- My grandparents and family have been in community since the 1940s. Glen Burnie has a hometown feel, and I want to preserve this community feel.

What has changed in the last 15 years?

- On a positive note: the expansion and improvement of Baltimore Washing Medical Center from a small hospital to a more substantive center.
- Vacant buildings remain while new buildings are constructed.
- The major mall in the area used to be Marley Station Mall – it was once vibrant and busy and an economic driver. It has since become the “white elephant” of Glen Burnie, but the area has great potential as the site could be further enhanced.
- Growth in general; residential growth and loss of farmland

What needs improvement?

- The 2004 SAP had studies for revitalization in the downtown area. The time is right to move on this – millennials are moving into the area. People want to eat and socialize here at home rather than go into the city. We need restaurants, a coffee house, a pub, a wine bar. We have chain restaurants on the highway, but not so many local places.
- There is too much trash, too much pollution. Get rid of plastic bags hanging from the trees. It detracts from the beautiful community. Eliminate plastic bags altogether.
- Regarding vacant buildings: the church has located in a previously vacant building, and it works when a faith-based group or other non-profit moves into a vacant building to prevent the building from decaying. Developers don't want to tear them down or renovate due to cost, but there's a cost to vacant buildings just existing.
- Pollution is a major issue, polluted waterways in particular. We need better public education of citizens on what happens when fertilizer in their yards gets into waterways. Citizens need to think twice about their yards and the cost of having lawns and their impact on waterways. Educate the citizens on this.

What should your community look like in 20 years?

- Bike paths would be a great alternative to travel and also provide recreational use.
- Park and rides would be great to help alleviate traffic on I-97
- Managing traffic – how do we improve roadways without encroaching on the historic and small town feel and personal property.
- I once thought as a kid growing up in a rural area that this area was a difficult place to live due to it being “city” with traffic lights and buses. My love for Glen Burnie has grown; can't imagine a place with a better sense of community.
- Need more youth/community centers for kids to congregate and have activities. Kids don't have anything to do. Public transport for kids to get to these centers when parents can't take them, particularly after school. Social and emotional support programming.
- Would like to see more green canopy cover in Glen Burnie; trees add visual appeal, cool the environment, and clean the air. More native trees than non-native. Consider adding plantings on buildings and on rooftops.
- Solar panels (businesses, homeowners, and public buildings).



Citizens discuss recommendations from the Glen Burnie Small Area Plan and the 2009 General Development Plan.

Glen Burnie Small Area Plan Recommendation	2019 Status and Explanation	Det Rankings
Length Highway Way adjacent to the Glen Burnie Mall, and improve connections to Route 421 Highway.	Partially implemented. Chesapeake Coast Drive is currently being extended from Highway Way to Ocean Road under 1474000. A capital project will need to be initiated to fund the design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction for improvements along Highway Way.	
Study the need for a future extension of Old-rd Road from its current terminus at Old Mill Boulevard south to East West Boulevard, and reserve right-of-way as needed.	Not implemented.	
Provide full interchange access for all directions at the MD 140/MD 14 interchange.	Not implemented. These are State-controlled roads and as such, will need to be added to the County's annual priority list to the Maryland Department of Transportation.	
Improve pedestrian and bike access at the Chantwell Light Rail Station, provide an operational sidewalk and multi-use trail.	Not implemented.	
Study funding sources to implement final engineering design and construction of the Glen Burnie Connector Plan which proposes interchange and sidewalk improvements on State Highway between Appleton Road and the Avenue and MD 8 Boulevard between Denney Road and MD 14.	Not implemented. Sidewalks along IGA Boulevard from Ocean Highway to Denney Road have been installed. The State Highway Administration has provided preliminary design for sidewalks and interchange improvements along IGA Boulevard between Ocean Highway and MD 14. The funding was not allocated through completion of construction. The project has recently been re-evaluated and continues to be included in the Priority List that the County sends to the Maryland Department of Transportation each year.	

SAP recommendations prioritized by meeting attendees.