COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
2020-21
Article 3. The Comprehensive Plan.

§ 15.2-2223. Comprehensive Plan
to be prepared and adopted scope
and purpose.

- The local Planning Commission shall prepare and recommend a Comprehensive Plan for the physical development of the territory within its jurisdiction and every governing body shall adopt a Comprehensive Plan for the territory under its jurisdiction.
In the preparation of a Comprehensive Plan the commission shall make careful and comprehensive surveys and studies of the existing conditions and trends of growth and of the probable future requirements of its territory and inhabitants.
The **Comprehensive Plan** with the accompanying maps, plats, charts, and descriptive matter shall show the locality's long-range recommendations for the general development of the territory covered by the plan.
The Comprehensive Plan shall be made with the purpose of guiding and accomplishing a coordinated, adjusted, and harmonious development of the territory which will in accordance with present and probable future needs and resources to best promote the;

- Health
- Safety
- Morals
- Order
- Convenience
- Prosperity
- General Welfare of the Inhabitants Including the Elderly and Persons with Disabilities.
The Comprehensive Plan shall be general in nature.

It shall designate the general or approximate location, character, and extent of each feature including any road improvement and any transportation improvement shown on the plan.

It shall indicate where existing lands or facilities are proposed to be extended, widened, removed, relocated, vacated, narrowed, abandoned, or changed in use.
The Plan may include but need not be limited to:

1. Areas for public and private development
2. The designation of a system of community service facilities
3. Historical areas and areas for urban renewal or other treatment
4. Sustainable measures to provide quality groundwater and surface water
5. A capital improvements program
6. A subdivision ordinance
7. A zoning ordinance
8. Zoning district maps
9. Agricultural and forestal district maps where applicable
10. The location of existing or proposed recycling centers
11. The location of military bases military installations and their adjacent safety areas
12. The designation of routes for electric transmission lines of 150 kilovolts or more
13. The designation of areas and for affordable housing,
14. Strategies to provide broadband infrastructure
Code of Virginia:
15.2-2230. Plan to be reviewed at least once every five years.

• At least once every five years the comprehensive plan shall be reviewed by the local planning commission to determine whether it is advisable to amend the plan.
Analysis

2000  2010  2020  2030  2040

Past

Past Conditions

Past Conditions

Who we were

Who we are

Who we aspire to be

Descriptive

Prescriptive

Assets  Needs  Challenges  Opportunities  Interventions  Priorities
Framework

For Each Element

• Vision – What is the Preferred Future for the Element
• Goals leading to realizing the Vision
• Actions to achieve the Goals
• Evaluation – Measures of Success

• Implementation Schedule and Timeline

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1. Acknowledgements
2. What is The Comprehensive Plan
3. Community Engagement Plan
4. Identity: Who we were, Who we are, Who we aspire to be
5. Elements
6. Current Land Use
7. Future Land Use
1. Health
   a. Health Plan
   b. Social Services Plan
2. Wealth
   a. Economic Development Plan
   b. Tourism Plan
   c. Housing Plan
3. Wisdom
   a. Education Plan
   b. Workforce Development Plan
4. Quality of Life
   a. Arts and Culture Plan
   b. Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan
   c. Historic Preservation Plan
   d. Sacred Places and Spaces Plan
5. Mobility
   a. Transportation Plan
      i. Complete Streets Plan
      ii. Bike/Walk Plan
   b. Infrastructure Plan
      i. Streets Plan
      ii. Utility Infrastructure Plan
   c. Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)
6. Environment
   a. Environmental Plan
   b. Chesapeake Bay Plan
   c. Resiliency Plan
7. Safety
   a. Public Safety Plan
      i. Police
      ii. Fire
Representations

• Maps
• Charts and Graphs
• Drawings
• Photos
• Schematics
Community Engagement

- Surveys regarding Elements
- Comments on Plan Drafts
- Community Conversations (Virtual)
- Presentations and Contact List Development
  - City Council Meetings
  - Ward Meeting
  - Churches
  - Neighborhood Organizations
  - Social Services
  - Community Ambassadors
Each locality **shall** develop a transportation plan as part of the **Comprehensive Plan**.

It designates a system of transportation infrastructure needs and recommendations.

It designates new and expanded transportation facilities that support the planned development of the City covered by the plan.
Transportation Plan

The Transportation Plan shall include as appropriate but not be limited to:

• Roadways
• Bicycle Accommodations
• Pedestrian Accommodations
• Railways
• Bridges
• Waterways
• Airports
• Ports
• Public Transportation Facilities
Transportation Plan

- The plan shall recognize and differentiate among a hierarchy of roads such as:
  - Expressways
  - Arterials
  - Collectors
Transportation Plan

- In developing the plan the locality shall take into consideration how to align transportation infrastructure and facilities with affordable accessible housing and community services that are located within the territory in order to facilitate community integration of the elderly and persons with disabilities.

- The Virginia Department of Transportation shall upon request provide localities with technical assistance in preparing such transportation plan.
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