Meeting Date:  Wednesday, August 19, 2020  (via Zoom)
Meeting Time:  2:00 – 3:40 p.m.

*This meeting was held electronically due to the state of emergency (social distance requirements imposed because of the health risks of COVID-19) declared by Governor Northam on March 12, 2020.

Meeting Purpose:  To gain a basic understanding of Prince William County’s Comprehensive Plan and how the Plan supports the County’s 4-Year Strategic Plan

Members Present:  Bryce Barrett, Paolo Belita, Rick Berry, Joyce Connery, Andra Hoxie, Martin Jeter, Lisa Madron, Ann Marie Maher, Mary Beth Michos, Jarad Phelps, Tomaudrie Thomas, Larriette Thompson

Members Absent:  Corey Holeman, Tahari Johnson, Courtney Tierney

Guest:  David McGettigan, Long-Range Planning Manager – PWC Planning Office

Facilitator:  Kaye Wallace, PWC Strategic Plan Coordinator

I. Welcome & Introductions

The Strategic Plan Coordinator (SPC) welcomed everyone to the meeting, and all attendees introduced themselves.

II. PWC’s Comprehensive Plan

David McGettigan from the Planning Office gave a presentation on the county’s current Comprehensive Plan (Comp Plan). The Comp Plan is a document that articulates the goals and policies that the Board of County Supervisors uses to make informed decisions about land use development and investments in public infrastructure (for example: roads, parks, public facilities, etc) in the county. The Comp Plan consists of five major components:

1. Long-Range Land Use
2. Community Development
3. Infrastructure and Facilities
4. Conservation/Preservation
5. Small Area/Sector Plans

Each component is made up of specific plans that contain goals, policies, and action strategies.

PWC’s 2045 Comprehensive Plan can be found at [www.pw cgov.org/compplan](http://www.pwcgov.org/compplan).

David shared that by year 2045, Prince William County will add approximately 1.5 million people, 1.1 million jobs, and 648,000 households. The County wants to make sure it has the capacity to accommodate this projected growth.
Below are a few questions posed by the SPDT members with answers from David:

*Is affordable housing addressed in the Housing chapter of the Comp Plan? Answer: Yes

*What is the definition of affordable housing? Answer: Affordable housing is housing that can be obtained for 30 percent or less of the area’s median income.

*What would be the affordable price of a home in the 30% median income range? What is the lowest price of a home just above the 30% median income range? Answer: Dave will get back to us with an answer.

*Is the county considering a human service chapter in the Comp Plan? Answer: Not a specific chapter; however, human services are addressed throughout the Comp Plan.

*How do we look at not building more roads as we continue to grow as a county? Answer: Get houses and jobs closer together. Create more mixed-use developments.

The county's Comprehensive Plan focuses on the physical development of Prince William County whereas the county’s community-based Strategic Plan focuses on the residents’ overall vision for the community with specific strategic directives and initiatives to realize the community’s priorities. As such, the Strategic Plan serves as a guide for the Board of County Supervisors to make funding decisions in the county’s annual budget.

III. Check-in/Wrap-up

Kaye shared what the team will be doing over the next couple of months—completing the initial community input phase of the process, beginning to sort through all of the data collected by survey and the community conversations, and hearing presentations from various county agencies and/or service providers. She noted that we do not have a strategic plan consultant to assist with the entire strategic planning process; therefore, the team will have to sort through all of the data before we begin to analyze it.

The next Strategic Plan Development Team meeting will be on Wednesday, September 2, at 4:00 p.m. (via Zoom).

Minutes prepared by Kaye Wallace (SPC) on August 31, 2020.