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SECTOR PLAN



District Council *Worksession*September 12, 2017







Recent Milestones

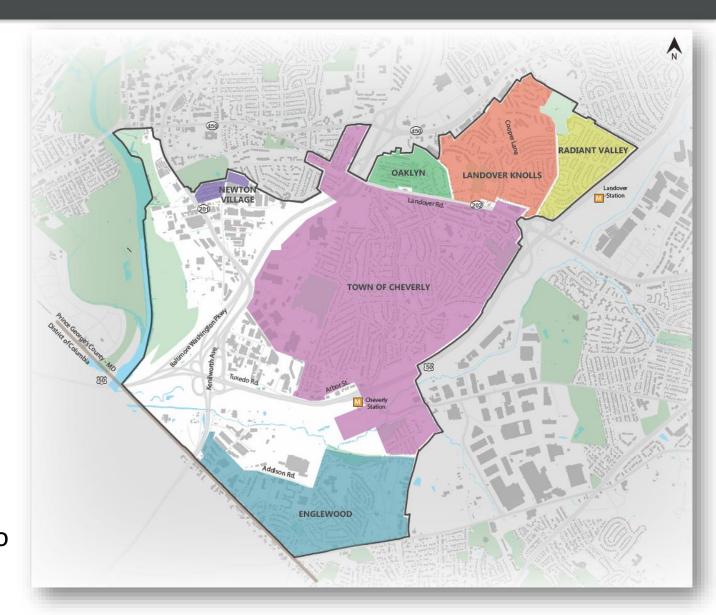
- March 28th
 Joint Public Hearing
- Six speakers, seven exhibits received
- Three exhibits received after close of record on April 12th
- District Council approved the proposed public facilities element (CR-29-2017) on May 9th
- Planning Board Adopted the Sector Plan (PGCPB Resolution No. 17-83) on June 22nd





Plan Focus

- Strengthen MD 202 (Landover Road) as a walkable commercial center and active main street
- Develop new opportunities for infill and redevelopment largely in the Arbor Street/Tuxedo Road area, the Prince George's Hospital Center, and the area around the Cheverly Metro Station
- Improve pedestrian and cyclist safety, access, and connections
- Increase connectivity by all travel modes throughout the area, particularly the employment areas and the Cheverly Metro Station



Plan Focus (cont.)

- Preserve the legacy of Fairmont Heights High School as a community asset.
- Preserve and strengthen residential neighborhoods.
- Prioritize improvements in the industrial areas that strengthen business attraction and retention.
- Assess environmental conditions and implement strategies for improvement.



Major Themes

- Redevelopment at the Prince George's Hospital Center
- Safe access for pedestrians and cyclists to Cheverly Metro Station and within the plan area
- Redevelopment at Tuxedo Road/Arbor Street
- Environmental conditions within the plan area
- Reuse of the Fairmont Heights High School site



Staff Recommendations – Split-zoned Properties (Exhibit 17)

ISSUES	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
Split-Zoned Properties Properties in the sector plan area that are currently zoned in more than one zoning classification.	Add a new policy in the Land Use Element. Policy 10: Eliminate split-zoned properties. Strategy 10.1 Ensure that each parcel is zoned to implement the future land use and development recommendations of this plan. Properties include the following: • 60th Avenue (Tax ID 2062321): Currently zoned I-1 (light industrial) and R- (One-Family Detached Residential), this parcel should be zoned for single-family residential use. • 6600 Old Landover Road (Tax ID 0092650): Currently zoned R-55 (One-Family Detached Residential) and C-S-C (Commercial Shopping Center), this parcel should be zoned for commercial use.
	 4601 Annapolis Road (Tax ID 0146241): This property is owned by the M-NCPPC. Currently zoned C-S-C (Commercial Shopping Center) and O-S (Open Space), this parcel should be zoned to support park and recreation uses. Planning Board Action: Retain staff recommendation.

Staff Recommendations – Local Transit Center (Exhibit 17)

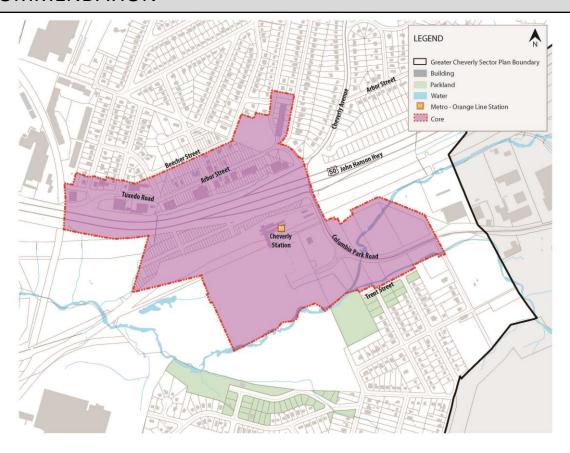
ISSUES

Recommendation to revise text of Policy 2 on page 43 to remove the Edge and mitigate adverse impacts on existing stable residential properties:

Amend the Local Transit Center (LTC) boundary [as identified in the 2014 Plan Prince George's 2035 Approved General Plan (Plan 2035)] to focus redevelopment in the core [and edge areas] area around the Cheverly Metro Station and Arbor Street, and to limit development in the floodplain.

Revise Map 9 and change title: <u>Local</u>
<u>Town Center Core</u> [and Edge areas]
<u>area</u> *near the Cheverly Metro Station*

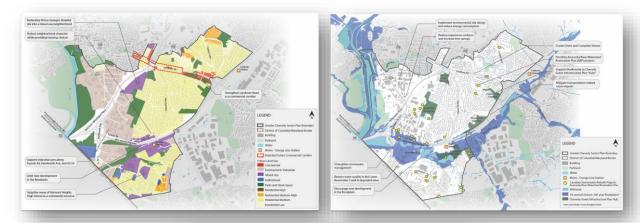
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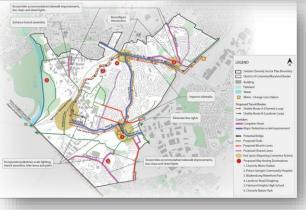


Planning Board Action: Retain staff recommendations.

Analysis of Testimony on Plan Elements

- Land Use
- Economic Prosperity
- Transportation and Mobility
- Natural Environment
- Housing and Neighborhoods
- Healthy Communities
- Public Facilities
- Community Heritage and Culture
- Design





Land Use - General

ISSUES	STAFF RESPONSE	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
 Map edits, links to reference materials, text revisions Community engagement Coordination between County agencies, developers and investors 	 Staff agrees with changes to all maps, and text to correct road names, misspellings, locations and links. Staff agrees with suggested text addition on page 25 to recommend future improvement and redevelopment of residential properties that are out of date. Community engagement included public workshops, Community Advisory Committee Meetings, and stakeholder interviews. The Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPW&T) and other county agencies were afforded the opportunity to review and provide comments on the preliminary sector plan. 	Recommend changes to maps, text, road names, locations and links to provide accurate, up-to-date information. Recommend addition of new text on page 25. Planning Board Action: Retain staff recommendations.

Land Use – Hospital Center Redevelopment

ISSUES	STAFF RESPONSE	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
 Hospital Center redevelopment should include: Publicly accessible open space and observation point Preserved natural features Green infrastructure Connections to Cheverly neighborhood streets 	 Redevelopment scenarios incorporate a mix of uses and public amenities, including publicly-accessible open and gathering spaces. Strategy LU 1.3: Prioritize site design that is environmentally sensitive, preserves natural areas and publicly-accessible recreational and open spaces, respects natural features, and promotes sustainability. The plan emphasizes that new connections should be sensitive to the neighborhood context, foster connection between the existing and new neighborhoods, and to be timed accordingly to site redevelopment. 	Recommend no other changes to plan Planning Board Action: Retain staff recommendations.

Economic Prosperity – Buffering Industrial Impacts

ISSUES	STAFF RESPONSE	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
 Recognize industrial impacts on residential neighborhoods and natural resources. 	The sector plan recognizes the importance of buffering between industrial and residential uses, and the need to mitigate negative environmental impacts.	Recommend no change to plan. Planning Board Action: Retain staff recommendation.
 Require buffering to prevent disturbances. Require additional stormwater management for industrial 	• Strategy EP 5.3: Address lack of buffering between housing and industrial activities by requiring the incorporation of additional fencing and vegetation to screen industrial uses.	
uses bordering streams.	Strategy EP 5.4: Promote the County's Rain Check Program to property owners in order to support improved access to financial assistance for vegetative screening and stormwater improvements.	

Transportation and Mobility – Highways and Bridges

ISSUES	STAFF RESPONSE	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
Strengthen the recommendations for	The State Highway Administration is coordinating with DPW&T to evaluate feasibility of restriping	Recommend no change to plan.
replacement of the Columbia	Columbia Park Road to include an additional lane	Planning Board Action: Retain
Park Road Bridge and a	to the ramp to eastbound US 50.	staff recommendation.
pedestrian bridge to Cheverly Metro station.	The plan includes the following strategies:	
 Connect a pedestrian bridge from Landover Metro Station to adjacent community. 	 TM 2.2 Evaluate and implement traffic calming elements, and effective improvements to enhance pedestrian and bicyclist safety along Columbia Park Road bridge, including a crash worthy barrier to 	
 Prioritize SHA resources to evaluate traffic along US 50 	physically separate pedestrians and bicyclists from moving motor vehicle traffic.	
from MD 202 (Landover Road)	- TM 1.4 Evaluate and implement a pedestrian and	
to the intersection of US 50	bicycle bridge crossing the rail tracks and US 50 as part of the redevelopment of the Cheverly Metro	
and MD 201 (Kenilworth	Station or the industrial area along Tuxedo Road and	
Avenue), and addresses traffic	Arbor Street.	
problems at Cheverly Metro as	 The Landover Metro station is outside of the sector 	
well as the MD 201 (Kenilworth Avenue)/US 50 interchange.	plan boundary.	

Transportation and Mobility – Student Ridership

ISSUES	STAFF RESPONSE	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
 Student ridership on local buses should align with school bus stops. Offer free student ridership on public transit during non-peak after school hours. 	 Plan includes a policy to improve transit quality of service. The proposed strategy would help increase ridership on public transit and reduce the volume of traffic on the road. 	Recommendation to add the following strategy: • TM 3.8: Collaborate with WMATA, DPW&T and PGCPS to align student bus routes and stops with local bus routes, and offer free student ridership on public transit during non-peak after school hours. Planning Board Action: Retain staff recommendation.

Natural Environment

ISSUES	STAFF RESPONSE	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
 Natural areas include habitat for Forest Interior Dwelling Species (FIDS). End the practice of siting ball fields, schools, and other public and private facilities in natural areas, especially bottomland forests and floodplains. 	 On page 67, second paragraph: The plan references spaces of special importance within the sector plan area, including pockets of woodlands at Cheverly Euclid Park, Cheverly Nature Park, and portions of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway right-of-way. Strategy NE 1.1: Discourage new development within the floodplain and encourages maintenance and repair of current development. 	 Recommend the following changes to plan: On page 67, add text about potential habitat for FIDS in the Euclid Park Woods. Recommend no other changes to plan.
 Protect and enhance green infrastructure hubs and corridors, including those identified and adopted in the Cheverly Green Infrastructure Plan. Code enforcement to mitigate negative environmental impacts. 	 Strategy NE 2.3: Support efforts to preserve, protect, and increase biodiversity in areas identified as hubs in the Cheverly Green Infrastructure Plan. Work with local stakeholders to establish, preserve, and manage green corridors linking these natural hubs to facilitate the exchange of plant and animal species. The plan includes a policy to prioritize code enforcement and nuisance abatement. 	Planning Board Action: Retain staff recommendations.

Housing and Neighborhoods

ISSUES	STAFF RESPONSE	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
Importance of housing affordability, community land trusts and need to prioritize funding for the Prince George's County community land trust.	Strategy HN 1.2: Support development that includes a mix of housing types and tenures at a range of affordability levels.	 Recommendation to include the following strategies: HN 1.3 Seek opportunities for the Prince George's County Department of Housing and Community Development to invest in new housing by providing financial incentives for the development of mixed-income housing, starter-homes and rental units. HN 1.4 Implement a density bonus program to increase affordable housing options near the Cheverly Metro station. Planning Board Action: Retain staff recommendations.

Healthy Communities – Schools

ISSUES	STAFF RESPONSE	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
 Install greenhouses on high school property that can be used as "kitchen" gardens to reinforce health initiatives. 	Staff agrees with the recommended additions.	Recommendation to include the following strategies: • HC 1.7: Encourage DPW&T to subsidize student transit ridership costs.
 Encourage modernization of schools, and require health impact assessments and the provision of health and wellness amenities, such as co- located wellness centers and walking trails as a part of the development process. 		 HC 2.5: Promote a pilot program to install greenhouses on high school property that can be used as "kitchen" gardens to reinforce health initiatives. HC 6.5: Encourage plans for school modernizations and new construction to include a health impact assessment and provide health and wellness amenities such as co-located wellness centers and walking trails as a part of the development process.
		Planning Board Action: Retain staff recommendation.

Healthy Communities – Community Wellness

ISSUES	STAFF RESPONSE	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
 Health facilities should remain on the hospital site, and have adequate facilities to support the community. Develop signed fitness routes throughout the community. Development should encourage an active lifestyle and leverage proximity to Metro. 	The sector plan includes the following strategies: HC 3.2: Increase education and outreach on health insurance requirements and available plans, and provide technical assistance to expand health insurance. HC 3.3: Encourage partnerships between County agencies and local medical centers to strengthen community-focused health programming in the sector plan area. HC 6.1: Encourage developers to complete health impact assessments and provide health and wellness amenities as a part of the development process.	Recommend the following changes to plan: • HC 3.3: Encourage partnerships between County agencies and local medical centers to strengthen community-focused health programming in the sector plan area. Ensure that the health facilities remaining at the hospital site have adequate facilities to support the community. • Add HC 5.6: Develop signed fitness routes throughout the community. Planning Board Action: Retain staff recommendations.

Public Facilities – Schools

ISSUES	STAFF RESPONSE	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
 Request for new policy and supporting strategies to create a positive public school facility image in each neighborhood and community. Add sidewalks on both sides of streets in neighborhoods within 1.5 miles of an elementary school and within 2 miles of middle and high schools. 	 Staff agrees with recommendation to add a new policy and supporting strategies. Staff agrees with recommendations concerning sidewalks. 	 Recommendation to add new policy and supporting strategies to create a positive public school facilities image in community. Policy 4: Create a positive public school facility image in each neighborhood and community. PF 4.1 Facilitate redevelopment and facade improvements to school properties. PF 4.2 Incorporate streetscaping, parking lot improvements, landscaping, and public art on school properties to improve the area 's visual appeal. PF 4.3 Develop a façade improvement program that assists local schools with dated building exteriors and improves school aesthetics and residential area attraction. PF 4.4 Utilize stormwater funding sources to improve the appearance of parking lots and landscaping on school sites. Planning Board Action: Retain staff recommendations.

Community Heritage and Culture

ISSUES	STAFF RESPONSE	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
No testimony for this Element.		

Design

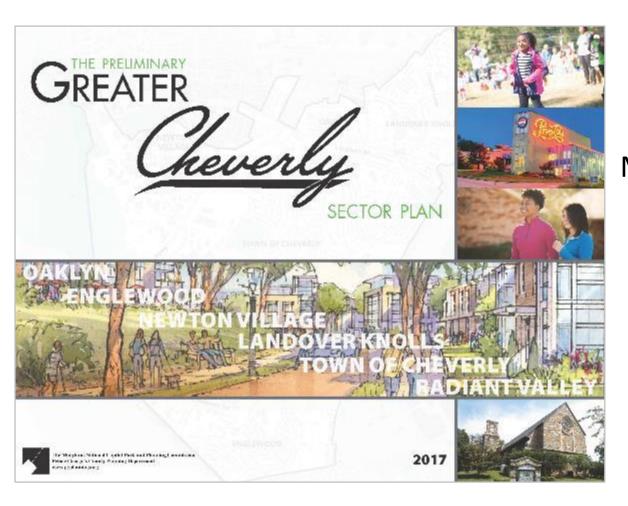
ISSUES	STAFF RESPONSE	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
Consider swapping the administratively-used suburban school site at the corner of Belleview Avenue and Arbor	administratively-used suburban public facilities, will be addressed through the Zoning school site at the corner of Rewrite process.	Recommend no change to plan. Planning Board Action: Retain staff recommendation.
site on the Prince George's		
 Tuxedo Road/Arbor Street to a more appropriate district for mixed used development. Identify opportunities to strengthen transportation routes that cross the BW Parkway and Route 50, incorporating pedestrian and bikeways and 		

Next Steps

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Questions?

Thank You



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