

2021 Comprehensive Plan Update

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Presentation Overview

- Public Input Video
- What is the Comprehensive Plan and why is it important?
- Current Comprehensive Plans
- What information will the Comprehensive Plan include?
- How can citizens participate?
- Staff leads and schedule
- Sample Public Input Questions
- Questions from audience

Public Input Video

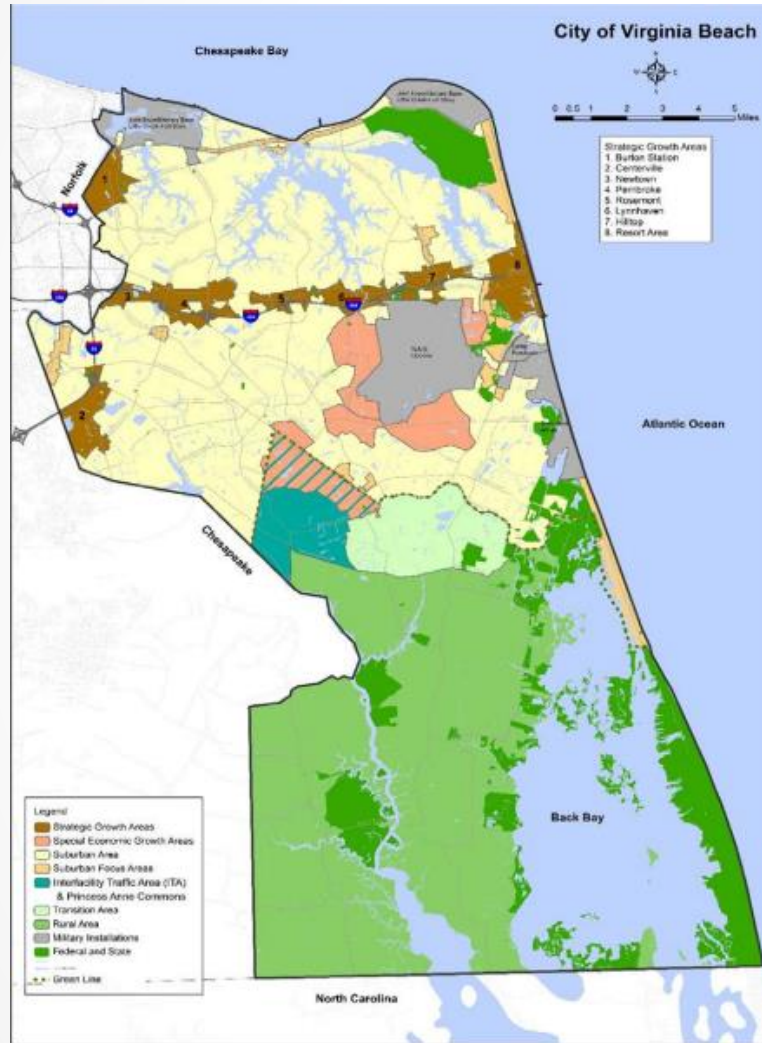
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FdIdN_mNJFQ&feature=youtu.be

What is a Comprehensive Plan?

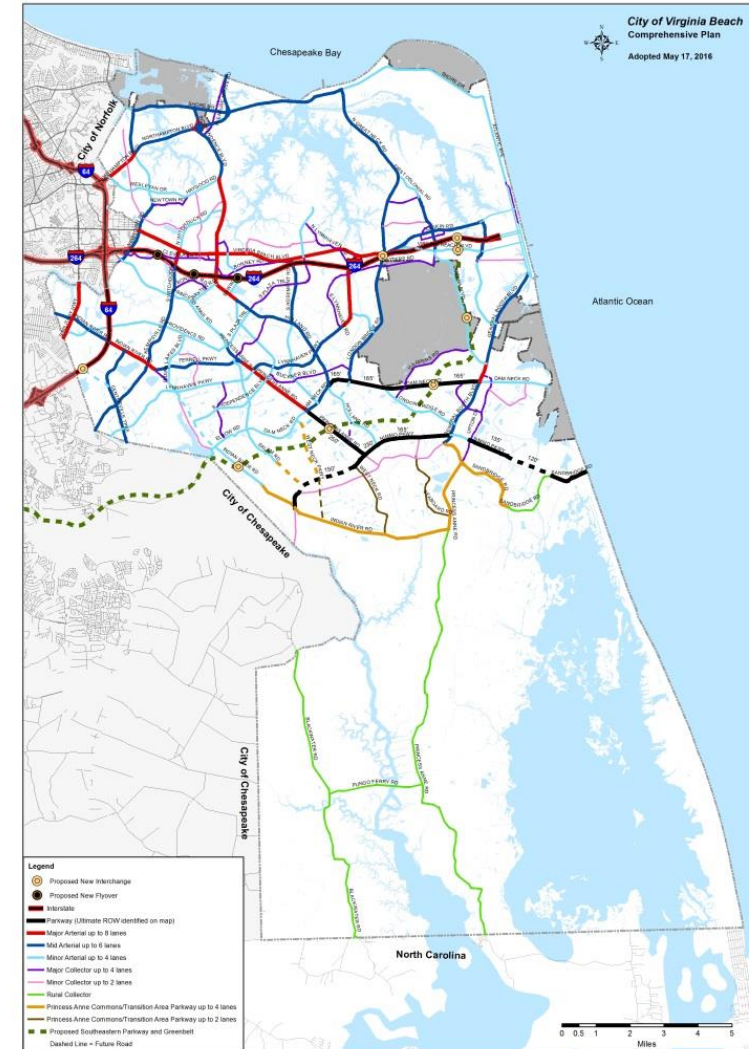
- A vision for the future
- Guides City departmental strategic goals and policy
- Basis for land use decisions/growth management
- Guides our physical appearance
- Allows for accountable implementation



Virginia Beach's 2016 Comprehensive Plan



Planned Land Use Map



Primary Roadway Network Plan Map

Highlights of Virginia Beach's 2016 Comprehensive Plan

- Protects the rural area with continuance of Green Line policies and Transition Area guidelines. The Green line was first established in the 1979 Plan.
- Advances efforts to steer future growth to the 8 Strategic Growth Areas. Twelve SGA's were first identified in the 2003 Plan. Several were renamed as Special Economic Growth Areas.
- Transportation strategies are heavily reliant on the development of an east-west light rail corridor.



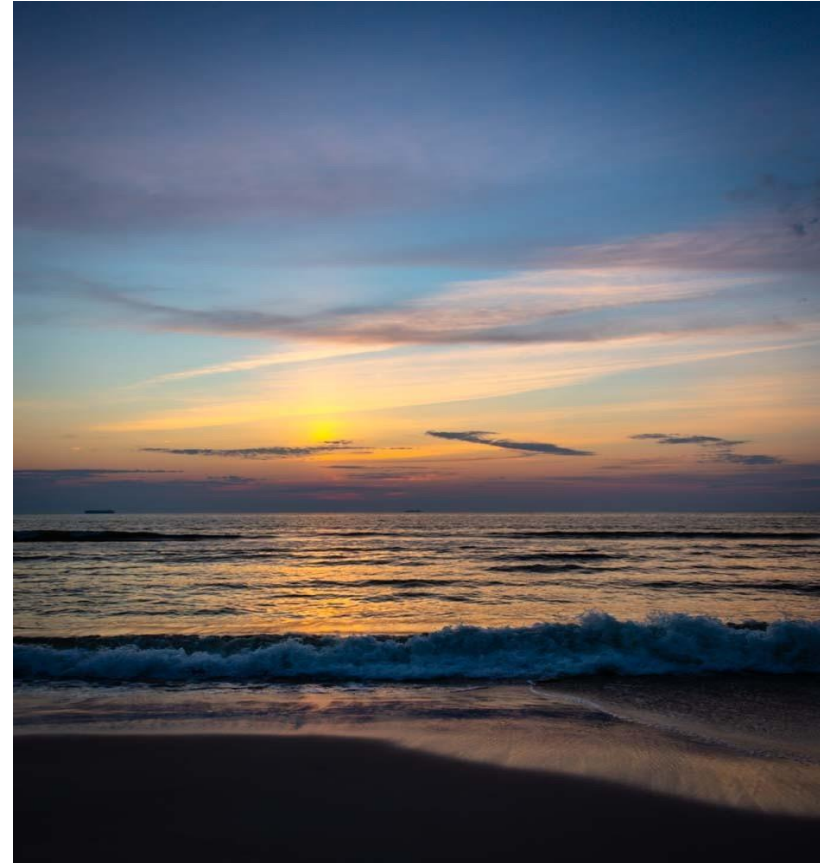
City Council Retreat Input



- The plan will align with 5 City Council priorities:
 - 1) Stormwater, flooding and sea level rise
 - 2) Safety
 - 3) Transportation
 - 4) Public Education
 - 5) Economy and Jobs
- Affordable housing heard as an additional priority for the Comprehensive Plan
- The plan will align with the 10 City Council Goals
- The plan launch will include extensive public input regarding visioning to include at least 10,000 citizen contacts

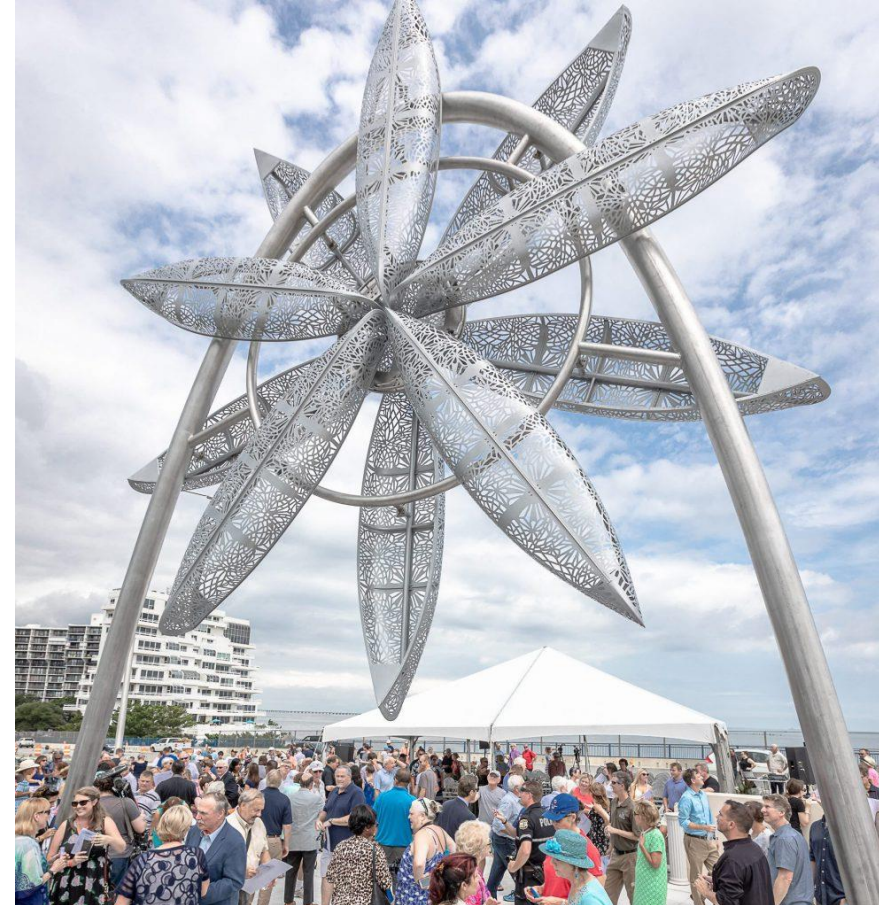
The role of the Planning Commission

- Virginia State Code requires that the local planning commission shall prepare and recommend a comprehensive plan for the physical development of territory within its jurisdiction.



The role of the City Council

- The Code of Virginia states that every governing body shall adopt a comprehensive plan for the territory under its jurisdiction.



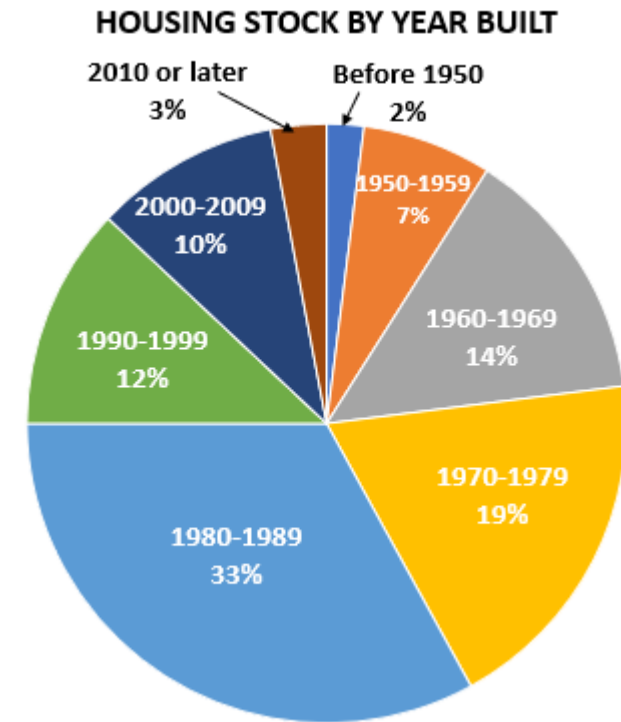
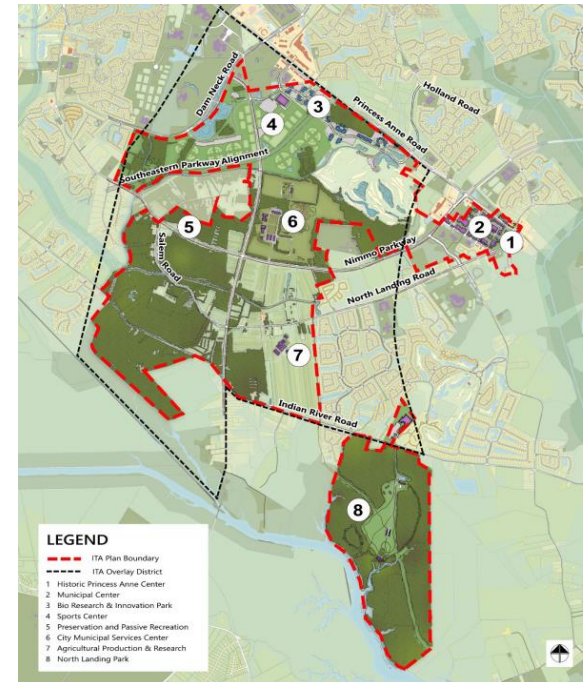
The role of the VB2040 Vision to Action Committee

- Assist and guide the public input process.
- Provide input to the Planning Commission and staff with plan development based on community input.



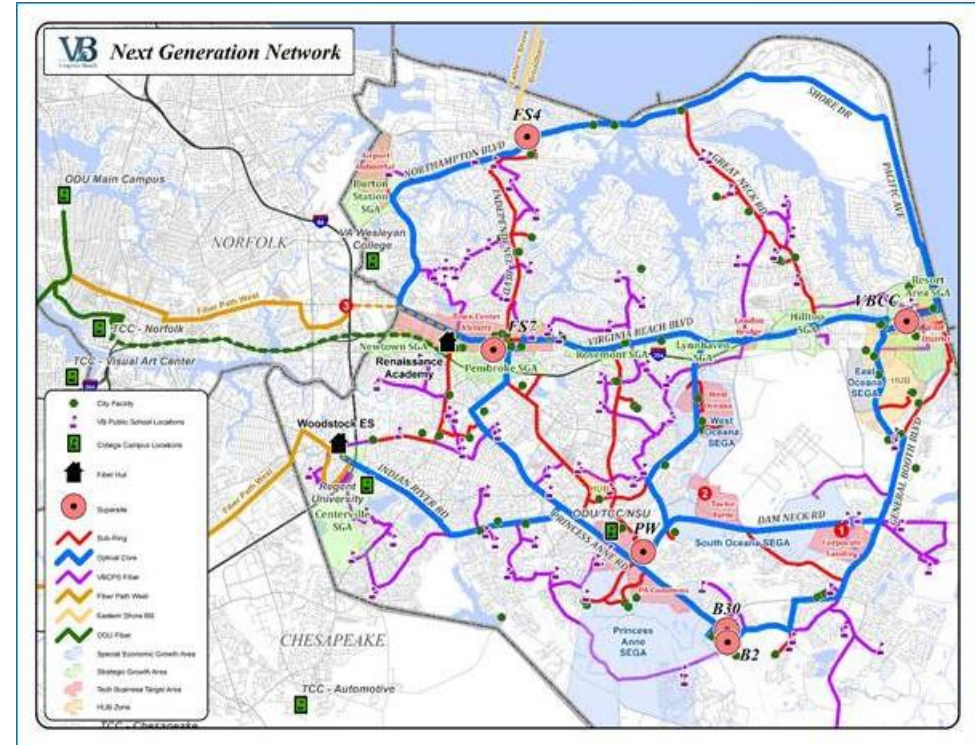
What does the State require?

- Study of existing conditions, trends and requirements of territory
- Long range recommendations for general land development
- Transportation plan and map to be reviewed by VDOT
- Affordable Housing policies



What does the State require?

- Data and policies related to the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Area requirements
- VIMS coastal resource management policies
- Strategies to combat sea-level rise/recurrent flooding
- Alternative energy guidelines
- Broadband strategies



What else do we want to include?

- New sections to include general policies regarding lifelong learning, public safety, human services and leisure services
- Full alignment with City's strategic planning efforts
- Land use development guidelines for development throughout the various areas of the City



What else do we want to include?

- Neighborhood protection/revitalization strategies
- Designation of land areas for Economic Development
- Focus on how to integrate planning and services provided by Federal and State agencies, particularly, the Military



What will the policy document look like?



LIVABLE

- Healthy & Safe Communities
- Housing Diversity and Affordability
- Access to Community Amenities
- Quality Design/Distinctive Character
- Preservation of Crucial Resources



MOBILE AND INTERCONNECTED

- Range of Transportation Options
- Multimodal Connectivity
- Accessible Community Centers



VALUES AND RESPECTS PEOPLE

- Access to Community Services
- Employment, Food, and Housing Options
- Community/Civic Engagement
- Responsive/Accountable Government



PROSPEROUS

- Diverse Business Opportunities
- Technological Innovation
- Education/Skills Development



EDUCATED

- Learning Opportunities for All Ages
- Community Partnerships with Schools
- Relationships with Higher Learning



CREATIVE

- Vibrant Cultural Events/Programs
- Support for Arts/Cultural Activities



NATURAL AND SUSTAINABLE

- Sustainable, Compact, and Walkable Development
- Resource Conservation/Efficiency
- Extensive Green Infrastructure



Land Use and Transportation / Building Block 1			
Label	Actions	Action Type	Priority Program(s)
LUT A1	Give priority to City of Austin investments to support mixed use, transit, and the creation of compact walkable and bikeable places.	CIP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invest in a compact and connected Austin. • Create a Healthy Austin Program.
LUT A2	Promote diverse infill housing such as small-scale apartments, smaller-lot single-family houses, town and row houses, and garage apartments that complement and enhance the character of existing neighborhoods.	Regulation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revise Austin's development regulations and processes to promote a compact and connected city. • Develop and maintain household affordability throughout Austin.

What will Plan look like? (story maps on web)

Virginia Beach Comprehensive Sea Level Rise and Flooding Response Plan

Department of Public Works

Stormwater Engineering Center



Study Motivation

History & Geographic Significance

A Resilient Future

Watershed Diversity

Get Involved

Comprehensive Sea level Rise and Flooding Response Plan

The City of Virginia Beach is developing plans to address both repetitive flooding and projected increases in flooding caused by sea level rise through the City's Comprehensive Sea Level Rise and Recurrent Flooding Response Plan. The plan is an effort between local government and various stakeholders (corporate and individual) to collect, sort, interpret, and understand the data behind how sea level rise is affecting our City and how we should best respond.

The information that we collect and analyze will help us determine the best methods to use to affect both existing and future development policies. We will also be able to 1) understand what practices and methods are best for mitigating current and future property



How can citizens participate?

There will be multiple phases of initial input:

Phase 1 – Questionnaire related to general vision of the City. Will be conducted in person and on the web.

Phase 2 – Pop up meetings in the community to provide opportunities to provide basic information about the plan and allow for follow up discussion.

Phase 3 – Traditional public meetings in various locations in the City to provide for in depth discussion of various subject area policies. Will be broadcast on social media.

Phase 4 – Formal Public Hearings.



Subject Areas

- Public Input
- Land Use
- Military
- Transportation
- Environmental
- Housing
- Economic Vitality
- City Services

General Schedule

- 9/19 to 2/20 - Initial three public input phases
- 3/20 to 9/20 - Develop plan with workshops and potential focus groups
- 10/20 to 11/20 – Public Input regarding draft plan
- 12/20 to 1/21 – Development of Public Hearing draft
- 2/21 to 4/21 – Planning Commission/City Council Public Hearing and adoption of Plan

Samples of Public Input questions

- <https://publicinput.com/5301>

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