

**PLAN PRINCE GEORGE'S 2035 IMPLEMENTATION
AND INFRASTRUCTURE TASK FORCE**

May 3, 2024 Virtual Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

CM Thomas Dernoga
CM Blegay
Alexander Austin
Scott Rowe
Kierre McCune
Steve Brigham
Bradley Heard
Ronald Weiss
Ashlee Green
James Riley
Brian Halloran
ehBrown
JB Campbell
Fred Tutman

Staff:

Marian Honeczy
Rana Hightower

Presenters:

Katina Shoulars, Chief, Countywide Planning Division, M-NCPPC
Bobby Ray, Supervisor Special Projects (SPS), Countywide Planning Division M-NCPPC
Crystal Hancock, Supervisor Transportation Planning (TPS), Countywide Planning Division M-NCPPC

Welcome (CM Dernoga)

Attendance - Have quorum.

Recap of Last Meeting - Meeting minutes approved

Revisit of Mission Statement

Unable to revisit. Staffer will resend the mission statement from the March meeting to all. This item is to be added to the May 20th meeting agenda.

Power Point Presentation: Adequate Public Facilities Overview
Public Safety Facilities and Mitigation Guidelines
Fire and Emergency Facilities

Discussion summary / Q & A of presentation:

CM Dernoga started the discussion with a question on Plan 2035 which focuses on growth and limiting sprawl. What do we think is Adequate Public Facilities (APFs) role? The group gave their thoughts on APFs:

- Plan 2035 wants growth inside the Beltway, but APF doesn't seem to be working as you can pay your way out of it. Traffic mitigation results in design changes (right turn lanes) that result in larger intersections that are less pedestrian friendly. Presenters' responses: Mitigation had been more right turn lanes but currently TPS is looking at more pedestrian and bike friendly intersections, in the new Transportation Master Plan. The Commission supports bikes and pedestrians. Power point didn't cover this. Using 1980s planning tools in today's county. We're the only jurisdiction with an APF police test – no other county does a time test. Schools now not included in APF as it's a districting issue to level capacity in clusters. Most development, most housing needs, in areas with crowded schools. Add a traffic lane of capacity near subdivision but doesn't add lanes the entire length of road. County roads deal with background traffic – that which drives through the county to get to another county. Adding costs to development can drive development away. Greenfields are the attraction, primary target versus redevelopment inside Beltway. 'Flight to Suburbs'. Major needed infrastructure is not happening where needed. APF has many revisions to law and loopholes to allow development to happen. Examples, Brandywine Road Club – pay fee, no other requirements; Westphalia Club – pay fee and move forward; Woodyard Road Club, other intersections.
- Plan 2035 sets out how we grow and APF hasn't kept up. Growth = taxes, taxes pay bonds. Should have future discussion on that. The Commission is doing a study on this and is currently securing a contractor.
- Fire response from nearest station to subdivision location (look at map). But not accurate as fire station may be busy so another station may respond. Police more accurate.
- Right Size Zoning was discussed briefly. Suggestions have been made to Council on down zoning, TDRs, etc.

Next meeting agenda will continue this discussion. Submit your questions in advance so they can be circulated. Next meeting is in-person May 20 3:30 – 4:30pm

Adjournment

For members information:

Task Force duration per Council Resolution – 6 years

Meeting Dates:

- **May 20 3:30 – 4:30 pm**
- June 10 4 pm
- July 8 4 pm

Future dates to be determined

Additional Information:

- Task Force website: <https://pgccouncil.us/976/Plan-Prince-Georges-2035-Implementation->
- Council Resolution (CR-081-2023): <https://pgccouncil.us/DocumentCenter/View/10648/Council-Resolution-081-2023>
- Plan Prince George's 2035 Approved General Plan: https://www.mncppcapps.org/planning/publications/BookDetail.cfm?item_id=279&Category_id=1
- Climate Action Plan: https://e.issuu.com/embed.html?d=draft_climate_action_plan_01-15-2022&hideIssuuLogo=true&showOtherPublicationsAsSuggestions=true&u=environment.mypgc.us
- Plan Prince George's 2035 Approved Plan Five-Year Evaluation https://www.mncppcapps.org/planning/publications/BookDetail.cfm?item_id=383&Category_id=2