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Plan2040 gets final amendments

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Seventy-two final amendments to Plan2040 introduced

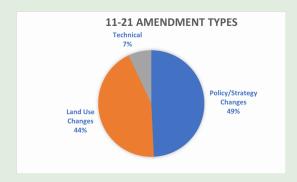
The final opportunity for amendment of Plan2040 was at the County Council meeting of April 19.

Final amendments were proposed for the Plan2040 Bill 11-20 in the April 19 Council meeting.

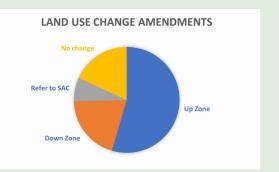
In a six-hour session on April 19, the County Council processed amendments 56 through 128. A total of 128 amendments have now been introduced, 4 have been withdrawn, and 7 failed. This was the last opportunity for amendment of the Plan2040 Bill 11-21 and the bill will likely receive a final vote on May 3. The Council has devoted multiple work sessions and legislative sessions to this bill and it is clear that Council members have had extensive interaction with each other and with the Administration

Text of individual amendments is available at the <u>County Council webpage</u>. The sheer number of amendments precludes any detailed discussion of them in the space available here. GAN has produced a summary chart of the 128 amendments that were introduced that is available at <u>this link</u>. The charts below briefly summarize the types of amendments introduced and the results of Land Use amendments.

A few technical clarifications and language changes were made as amendments, and about one-half of the remaining amendments were land use changes. There was little discussion of individual amendments on April 19 and councilmanic courtesy was quite evident in all of the Land Use Change amendments.



Although Land Use Changes do not establish zoning changes, they are a first step in the rezoning process. More than half of the land use change amendments will set the stage for potential up-zoning in the Regional Planning process.



There is little opportunity for citizen advocacy for additional amendment of Bill 11-21, and attention should now be shifted to the Regional Plans. The Regional Planning sequence is established by Amendment 2. Regions 2, 4, and 7 will be conducted first; followed by 1, 3, and 9; and finally 5, 6, and 8. The Region map is shown at the top of the page.

GAN Meeting with Office of Planning and Zoning at 10 am, May 17

All GAN members are invited to participate in a virtual meeting with Steve Kaii-Ziegler and the staff of the Office of Planning and Zoning on May 17 at 10 am. Members are invited to submit questions and topics for the agenda to growthaction.adm@gmail.com. Questions will also be taken at the end of the meeting as time permits.

Coming meetings and events

- April 27 6:30 pm -- Odenton Town Center Advisory Committee meeting (virtual)
- April 29, 6:00 pm -- Green Infrastructure forum (virtual)
- May 3, 6:00 pm -- County Council meeting (virtual)
- May 9, 9:00 am -- County Council work session (virtual)

Master Plan updates

OPZ is beginning to update the Master Plans for Green Infrastructure, Parole Town Center, Odenton Town Center, and Water and Sewer. Opportunities for public input are available. Register at this link to subscribe to emails of detailed information.

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