



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEDFORD COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given that the Bedford County Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 7:00 pm as to proposed update to the Bedford County 2025 Comprehensive Plan initiated by the Bedford County Planning Commission as part of a five year update of the Comprehensive Plan adopted in 2007.

The proposed changes to the Plan through this five year update include minor administrative updates to text with regards to updated statistical information, the Bedford City/Town Reversion agreement, Virginia State Code changes, and more specifically the following: Comprehensive Plan horizon year has been updated from 2025 to 2030; Executive summary has been updated; Chapter 1 Introduction – (1) Documents related to planning goals has been updated (2) Citizen Involvement has been updated to include the 2014 Citizens Advisory Committee (3) Updating the Determining Factors; Chapter 2 History and Demographics – (1) Data has been updated to include 2010 Census data (2) Tables and Maps updated to include new Census data and incorporating new processes for making future projections; Chapter 3 Community Character, Design and Aesthetics – (1) Historic Resources map updated (2) Determining Factors, Objectives, and Strategies updated; Chapter 4 Housing – (1) Tables and Maps updated to include new Census data (2) Determining Factors, Objectives, and Strategies updated; Chapter 5 Natural Environment – (1) Dam Inundation Zones and Stormwater Management are added as new state regulations (2) 1989 DRASTIC Map added to help determine areas in the County that are more susceptible to groundwater pollution (3) 2006 Groundwater study added (4) Determining Factors, Objectives, and Strategies updated; Chapter 6 Transportation – (1) Private road information added (2) Corridors of Statewide Significance, Classification of Roadways, Roadway Improvement Projects, Planning Assumptions and Considerations added per State requirements (3) Region 2000 Greenways, Blueways, and Trails Plan 2010 added (4) TransDominion Express information updated (5) Table with Roadways Classified by the Federal Aid System as “Collectors” and Above added per State requirements (6) Determining Factors, Objectives, and Strategies updated; Chapter 7 Utilities – (1) The Broadband Authority development and purpose added (2) Public and private utility information updated (3) Determining Factors, Objectives, and Strategies updated; Chapter 8 Economic Development – (1) Statistical data and tables updated within the Chapter using Virginia Employment Commission information (2) Determining Factors, Objectives, and Strategies updated; Chapter 9 Land Use – (1) Tables and Maps updated with new Census data (2) Greenways and blueways updated with the Region 2000 Greenways, Blueways, and Trails Plan (3) Region 2000 Bicycle Plan information added (4) Future land use designation *Resource Stewardship Areas* renamed *Agricultural/Natural Resource Stewardship Areas* and updated (5) Determining Factors, Objectives, and Strategies updated; Chapter 10 Education – (1) Tables updated with new data (2) Home Bound/School information added (3) Voluntary Settlement Agreement information added with regards to building a new middle school in the Liberty attendance zone (4) Determining Factors, Objectives, and Strategies updated; Chapter 11 Public Safety and Community Services – (1) information with regards to sheriff substations added (2) Statistics, tables, and maps updated (3) Bedford County Nursing Home information added (4) Determining Factors, Objectives, and Strategies updated; Chapter 12 Parks and Recreation – (1) Tables and maps updated (2) Determining Factors, Objectives, and Strategies updated; Chapter 13 Solid Waste – (1) Tables, statistics, and projections updated (2) Convenience centers for solid waste disposal current and future facility needs updated (3) Determining Factors, Objectives, and Strategies updated; Chapter 14 Urban Development Areas – (1) Rescind chapter in its entirety; Chapter 15 Bedford City/Town Reversion – (1) No proposed changes to chapter (2) Chapter would become Chapter 14 Bedford City/Town Reversion replacing the rescinded Chapter 14 Urban Development Areas; Goals, Objectives and Strategies Consolidated List updated; Future Land Use Map and Zoning Map updated.

The Planning Commission public hearing will be held in the Bedford County Administration Building Boardroom, 122 E. Main St., Bedford, VA. Copies of the proposed amended comprehensive plan is available for public inspection at the offices of the County Administrator and the Department of Community Development, both located in the Bedford County Administration Building, 122 E. Main St., Bedford, VA, telephone (540)586-7616. The proposed changes can be viewed in their entirety at the following link:
<http://www.co.bedford.va.us/articles/BedfordCountyComprehensivePlan2030FinalDraft.pdf>. Persons affected may appear and will be provided opportunity to present their views.