

Comprehensive Plan Update

August 2021 Newsletter

James City County is reaching the end of an ambitious effort to explore and affirm the vision for our community for the next 25 years.



Project Update: Affirming the Draft Plan's Direction

James City County is undertaking **Engage 2045**, the process of updating the currently [adopted comprehensive plan](https://en.calameo.com/read/004529642d7717dee1e41?page=1) [https://en.calameo.com/read/004529642d7717dee1e41?page=1] from 2015. This phase of **Engage 2045** builds upon the vision and preferred future for the County as expressed by citizens during [previous rounds of engagement](https://jamescitycountyva.gov/3833/Public-Engagement-Summaries) [https://jamescitycountyva.gov/3833/Public-Engagement-Summaries]. During this current phase, the Planning Commission Working Group (PCWG), Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors have reviewed drafts of each chapter of the comprehensive plan. View recordings of the PCWG meetings on the County's Engage 2045 [YouTube playlist](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLg1zt9Ay0TDOo5p-G3NepGSvjnBVP2TYS) [https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLg1zt9Ay0TDOo5p-G3NepGSvjnBVP2TYS] along with other presentations and informational videos.


At the June 24, 2021, Planning Commission public hearing, the Planning Commissioners voted to recommend that the Board of Supervisors approve of the draft comprehensive plan. At the same meeting, the Planning Commission considered public comment and made recommended changes to the draft comprehensive plan for consideration by the Board of Supervisors at its July 13, 2021, public hearing. Read the Planning Commission's recommended changes from its June 24, 2021, meeting [here](https://jamescitycountyva.gov/DocumentCenter/View/28137) [https://jamescitycountyva.gov/DocumentCenter/View/28137]


Upcoming: Board of Supervisors Meeting, Sept. 28, 2021


The Board of Supervisors held a public hearing on the Comprehensive Plan document at its meeting on July 13, 2021. Many public comments were shared with the Board prior to this meeting and during the course of the public hearing itself. The Board closed the public hearing at this meeting. If you would like to watch the meeting, it is available to watch on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9i4LiGIO8AU&t=4826s) [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9i4LiGIO8AU&t=4826s].

The Board's next consideration of the Comprehensive Plan is currently planned for its business meeting on September 28, 2021, at 1 p.m. If you were not able to speak during the public hearing at the July 13, 2021, meeting, you can still submit comment to the Board of Supervisors by email (planning@jamescitycountyva.gov [mailto:planning@jamescitycountyva.gov]), voicemail (757-253-6762), or online form (<https://jamescitycountyva.gov/3711/Share-Your-Ideas> [https://jamescitycountyva.gov/3711/Share-Your-Ideas]).

Draft chapters and appendices of the comprehensive plan, as well as a summary of the Planning Commission recommended changes, are uploaded for public review on the [Engage 2045](https://jamescitycountyva.gov/3683/The-Plan) [https://jamescitycountyva.gov/3683/The-Plan] page.

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