

RESOLUTION NO. RS-2025- 34

Adoption of the 2040 Comprehensive Plan for Washington County, Maryland

RECITALS

Whereas, in accordance with Section 3-101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (Code) Land Use Article, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County ("The Board") are empowered and required to enact, adopt, amend and execute a Comprehensive Plan ("Plan").

Whereas, the Washington County Planning Commission ("Planning Commission") embarked on an extensive public outreach program in 2019 to seek information and feedback on land use issues within the County in order to update the County Plan. The outreach efforts included focus groups, stakeholder meetings, workshops and public meetings. Insights and comments made as part of these outreach efforts were reviewed, deliberated, and, where appropriate, included in a draft Plan, and

Whereas, in accordance with the Section 3-203(c) of the Land Use Article of the Code, copies of the draft Plan were provided to all adjoining planning jurisdictions and all State and local jurisdictions that have responsibility for financing or constructing public improvements necessary to implement the Plan, and

Whereas, after due notice was published, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on January 13, 2025, to receive public comment on the draft Comprehensive Plan, and

Whereas, upon consideration of input from the public and governmental agencies, the Planning Commission, by a unanimous vote, forwarded this Plan to the Board with a recommendation of adoption, and

After due notice was published, the Board held a public hearing on June 13, 2025, on the draft Comprehensive Plan recommended by the Planning Commission, for the purpose of taking public testimony on the document. The Board has considered all information presented at the public hearing and the recommendation of the Planning Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland do hereby adopt the 2040 Comprehensive Plan for Washington County thereby replacing the 2002 Comprehensive Plan.

Adopted this 26th day of August, 2025

Effective the first day of September, 2025

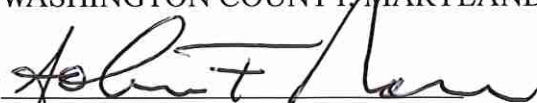
ATTEST:



Dawn L. Marcus, County Clerk

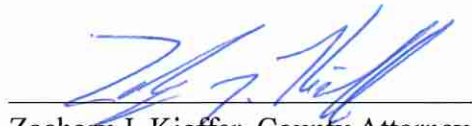
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY:



John F. Barr, President

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency
for execution by the County:



Zachary J. Kieffer, County Attorney