



STAFF REPORT AND FISCAL IMPACT NOTE

Resolution: R-45-18

Title: 2018 Forest Drive/Eastport Sector Study

Date: September 24, 2018

STAFF REPORT

The Forest Drive/Eastport Sector Study ushers in a new era for urban planning and the integration of land use, economic development, technology, and mobility. It provides a specific vision for this part of the City and begins to lay the groundwork for the next Comprehensive Plan for the City of Annapolis. Under current regulations, there is a significant amount of development capacity in this portion of the City. This plan attempts to change the character of that possible development, not necessarily to encourage more development.

The study identifies both new data and trends contributing to current sector issues and a diversity of options regarding the best way to respond to these complex situations. It reports on several significant new demographic trends that impact the sector and it seeks to identify actions that provide a way forward that are fair and equitable while recognizing current City funding constraints. It recognizes that to successfully achieve the vision and meet City goals, City residents must make informed choices, evaluate consequences, and obtain the cooperation of its partners, including the County and State, property owners, and the development community.

The Sector Study calls for a phased implementation plan that will require the coordinated efforts of multiple stakeholders. The first phase calls primarily for legislative and zoning changes. The second phase calls for project planning for specific projects that are focused on bicycle and pedestrian improvements, as well as roadway projects. The third phase calls for construction and implementation of those specific projects in the Capital Improvement Program.

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FISCAL IMPACT

This resolution has no fiscal impact. The impact of implementing projects that arise from the study will be considered in future capital budgets.

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