

# Livable Fairfax

*Preparing the City's 2035 Comprehensive Plan*



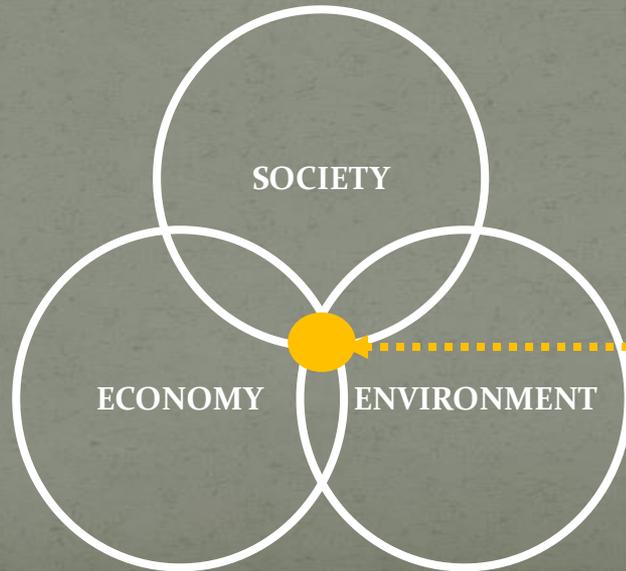
July 6, 2016 Comprehensive Plan Update  
Environmental Sustainability Committee

# Comprehensive Plan Process

- Initial Community Input (Winter 2016)
  - Develop and distribute community survey
  - Survey results to be used to formulate the vision, goals and objectives
- Plan Development (Spring 2016-Winter 2017)
  - Determine content areas/table of contents
  - Develop detailed schedule and workplan
  - Collect and analyze data
  - Share analysis and develop alternatives w/community input
  - Solicit feedback w/community input and develop plan recommendations
- Draft Plan (Spring/Summer 2017)
  - Solicit comments from community on draft plan and revise accordingly
- Final Plan (Summer/Fall 2017)
  - Hold public hearing and recommend revised final plan

# Sustainability & Comprehensive Plan

- Sustainability is responsible integration of social equity, environmental protection, and economic growth...

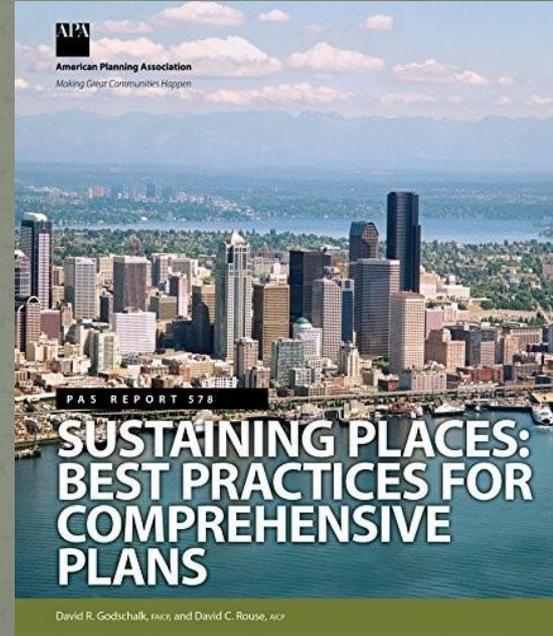


# Resources/Guidance Material

- American Planning Association (APA) Sustaining Places Standards
  - <https://www.planning.org/sustainingplaces/>
- STAR Community Rating System
  - <http://www.starcommunities.org/>
- Greater Washington 2050 Compact: Region Forward
  - <http://regionforward.org/>

# APA Sustaining Places

- Plan Principles, Processes and Attributes
  - 1) Livable Built Environment
  - 2) Harmony with Nature
  - 3) Resilient Economy
  - 4) Interwoven Equity
  - 5) Healthy Community
  - 6) Responsible Regionalism
  - 7) Authentic Participation
  - 8) Accountable Implementation
  - 9) Consistent Content
  - 10) Coordinated Characteristics



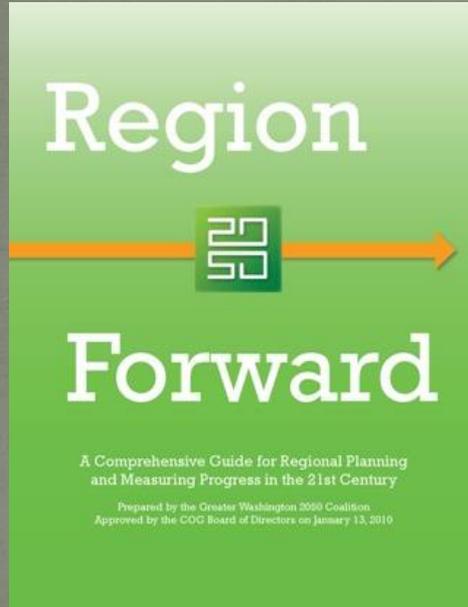
# STAR

## Framework

- Goals
- Objectives
- Evaluation Measures
  - Outcomes
  - Actions

Built Environment	Climate & Energy	Economy & Jobs	Education, Arts & Community	Equity & Empowerment	Health & Safety	Natural Systems
Ambient Noise & Light	Climate Adaptation	Business Retention & Development	Arts & Culture	Civic Engagement	Active Living	Green Infrastructure
Community Water Systems	Greenhouse Gas Mitigation	Green Market Development	Community Cohesion	Civil & Human Rights	Community Health & Health System	Invasive Species
Compact & Complete Communities	Greening the Energy Supply	Local Economy	Educational Opportunity & Attainment	Environmental Justice	Emergency Prevention & Response	Natural Resource Protection
Housing Affordability	Industrial Sector Resource Efficiency	Quality Jobs & Living Wages	Historic Preservation	Equitable Services & Access	Food Access & Nutrition	Outdoor Air Quality
Infill & Redevelopment	Resource Efficient Buildings	Targeted Industry Development	Social & Cultural Diversity	Human Services	Indoor Air Quality	Water in the Environment
Public Spaces	Resource Efficient Public Infrastructure	Workforce Readiness		Poverty Prevention & Alleviation	Natural & Human Hazards	Working Lands
Transportation Choices	Waste Minimization				Safe Communities	

# Greater Washington Compact 2050: Region Forward



- Goal Areas
  - Land Use
  - Transportation
  - Climate & Energy
  - Environmental
  - Public Safety
  - Education
  - Housing
  - Health & Human Services
  - Economic
- 28 Targets used to evaluate progress at the regional scale

# ESC Recommendations (June 2016)

- Identify, track and improve pervious/impervious areas; waste reduction and recycling; stream health; water quality; LEED certified (or equivalent) buildings; ecosystems; green space connectivity; contiguous natural habitat areas; invasive plants and tree canopy.
- Incorporate desired aspects of the Fairfax Blvd Plan into the new Comprehensive Plan.
- Update the Chapter 4 title to 'Natural Environment' and integrate sustainability as a theme throughout the document.
- Provide clear definitions for open space, green space, recreation areas, etc.
- Golf course: Identify what actions the City can take to preserve this area as open space if the property is ever sold.
- Other recommendations?