

Comprehensive Plan Report Card | Policy and Projects

The City's Comprehensive Plan establishes a vision for the future of the community and identifies specific action items and investments important to achieving that vision. This report describes the status of those efforts and helps to inform CIP programming.

MOBILITY FOR ALL MODES Short Term 2015-2017	
ACTION	ACTION COMPLETION DATE
Update Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program updated in 2015 • Pennsylvania Ave - Completed August 2016 • N Maple Ave - Completed July 2018 • Lincoln Ave - Completed summer 2018 • Park Ave & Kent Intersection - Completed October 2015 • Annandale & Gundry, Completed Spring 2020 <p>Clear the queue effort</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greenway Downs, expected Construction FY2023 • Completed: N. Oak, Jefferson, Lincoln, N. West, Great Falls/Little Falls, Noland • Active/In the Queue: S. Lee/S. Oak heavy solutions • Possible Future Projects (no petitions received to date): Lawton, E. Columbia
Bridge Master Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft plan prepared January 2018
Traffic Light Master Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultant Draft Prepared 2016
Street Paving Master Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Document with holistic view of paving with additional street improvements available
Increase Corridor Accessibility - Roosevelt Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roosevelt St and Roosevelt Blvd Pedestrian Improvement projects - Completed December 2018
Install Bicycle Wayfinding and Sharrows - Park Avenue - Maple Avenue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wayfinding and sharrows installed 2014 • Bike lanes restriped on Maple Avenue 2019

Install Bus Shelters and Consolidate Bus Stops Stops identified as 2014 and 2015 priorities in the Bus Stop and Bus Shelter Master Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 shelters installed 2017-2018 • S Washington Bus Stop Expansion, Engineering and Construction Planned/Expected FY26
Small Area Plan Projects – South Washington Street Including intermodal plaza and intersection changes along S Washington St and Hillwood Avenue within the South Washington St Planning Opportunity Area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S Washington St Intermodal Plaza, Construction FY21 – FY22 • S Washington St & S Maple Intersection, Construction FY23 • S Washington St & Annandale Intersection, Construction FY23

MOBILITY FOR ALL MODES Medium Term 2018-2020	
ACTION	ACTION COMPLETION DATE
Adopt Pedestrian Wayfinding Standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EDA funded wayfinding study underway completed in 2020.
Adopt Bicycle Facilities Master Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopted 2015 • 10 Capital Bikeshare Stations installed 2019
Increase Intersection Safety - E Broad Street & N Fairfax Street - E Broad Street & Berry Street - W Broad Street & Oak Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (HAWK signals at Oak St, Fairfax St, and Berry St) Construction FY23
High Frequency Transit Service - Route 7, Broad Street - Route 29, Washington Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2A--- 30 Min Peak, 25 Min Off Peak • 28A-- 12 Min Peak, 20 Min Off Peak
Install Real-Time information Signs at Bus Shelters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WMATA has plans for future installation of three real-time information signs at bus shelters in the City.
Construct W&OD Trail Plazas	
Small Area Plan Projects – Downtown Small Area Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Downtown Revitalization Completed 2017 • On-street parking added 2018 • City Hall Plaza concept plans available 2021

MOBILITY FOR ALL MODES Long Term 2021 and Beyond	
ACTION	ACTION COMPLETION DATE
Adopt “Request a Bicycle Rack” Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 17 Green Bike Racks installed 2016 - 2018
Adopt Bicycle Facilities Master Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopted 2015

Increase Corridor Accessibility - North West Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed 2017
Increase Corridor Accessibility - South Washington Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> S Washington St & S Maple Intersection, Construction FY23 S Washington St & Annandale Intersection, Construction FY23
Expand W&OD Trail Capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> W&OD Dual Trails Project Complete Fall 2021
Construct Second Entrance to the East Falls Church Metro Public Parking Structure	
Great Streets, Commercial - Broad Street - Washington Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Broad St Multimodal Improvements. Construction estimated FY23-24 Broad St Streetscape, Design Phase estimated FY 2026 W Broad St & Spring St Signal & Intersection Improvements, Construction FY28 N Washington Multimodal Improvements, Design Phase estimated FY26 N Washington St & Columbia Signal & Intersection Improvements, Construction FY23 (S Washington St Intermodal Plaza), Construction FY21 – 22
Great Streets, Civic - Park Avenue - Maple Avenue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Park Ave - Library to State Theater, Construction estimated for FY25 – 26 Maple Ave Streetscape Rehabilitation, Construction estimated for FY24 S Maple & Annandale Signal project, Construction FY24 S Maple Intersection & S Washington St, Construction FY22
Projects Described in North Washington Street Small Area Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N Washington St Multimodal improvements, Design Phase estimated for FY26

PARKS FOR PEOPLE Short Term 2016-2018	
ACTION	ACTION COMPLETION DATE
Develop a Park Funding Strategy	

Update Open Space Acquisition Priorities Map	
Convert either Larry Graves Park or Madison Park to artificial turf	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Larry Graves - Completed Summer 2019
Construct Tinner Hill Historic Site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completed January 2015
Enhance Parkways	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fellows property purchased in 2019, construction slated to begin in 2023.
Enhance W&OD Right-of-Way	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • W&OD Dual Trails Project Completed Fall 2021 • 2 W&OD Crossings being constructed by Founders Row • 4 W&OD Crossings being reconstructed with grant funds
Implement Master Plan for West End Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopted February 2007
Implement the Master Plan for Cherry Hill Park, focusing on Playground Equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground equipment installed summer 2018
Implement the Master Plan for Howard E. Herman Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daylighting and construction on entrance completed June 2019 • Broad Street entrance December 2019

PARKS FOR PEOPLE MEDIUM Term 2019-2021	
ACTION	ACTION COMPLETION DATE
Construct Community Gardens	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Still open for discussion in the Master Plan for Fellows Park. • Hands on Harvests working with gardeners in the City to assist with delivering backyard produce to food banks.
Construct an Indoor Sportsplex	
Construct Plaza in Downtown Planning Opportunity Area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Brown's Park Completed 2019
Enhance Greenways and Perform Stream Restoration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • W&OD Park and Greenway Crossings Master Plan Adopted April 2016 • Parks for People Plan Updated August 2016 • Virginia Tech Four Mile Run Restoration Action Plan prepared • Four Mile Run project in out-year CIP • Berman Park Greenway - Design starting FY21-22, Construction planned for FY25
Construct a Swimming Facility	
Install a Play Fountain in a Centrally Located Park or Plaza	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • West End Economic Development project concept plan includes a Commons green activity strip.
Implement Updated Master Park Plan for Big Chimneys Park 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-opened in January 2021 after renovations

PARKS FOR PEOPLE Long Term 2022 and Beyond	
ACTION	ACTION COMPLETION DATE
Construct a Disc Golf Course	
Construct Dog Park	
Construct an Indoor Ice Rink	
Construct a Lake/Pond	
Construct a Virginia Village Community Center	
Expand Farmers Market	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussing this expansion as part of the Park Avenue Great Street Project.
Implement Updated Master Plans for Remaining City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master Plan for the Fellows Property underway.

HOUSING A COMPLETE COMMUNITY Short Term 2022-2024	
ACTION	ACTION COMPLETION DATE
Provide local funding for a public-private partnership to preserve existing market-rate affordable housing units e.g. The Fields / Merrill House	

HOUSING A COMPLETE COMMUNITY Long Term 2025 and Beyond	
ACTION	ACTION COMPLETION DATE
Build a stand-alone affordable housing development	

ENVIRONMENT FOR EVERYONE Short Term 2020-2022	
ACTION	ACTION COMPLETION DATE

<p>Update the Watershed Management Plan To reflect changing needs for stormwater management and the possible effects of climate change. Include stream restoration, especially of Four Mile Run and Tripp’s Run, where possible. Consider expanding designated RPAs and redefining floodplains.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wren’s Branch Drainage: 100% design completed. Discussions with the homeowner underway regarding the final plan. • WFC Campus Infrastructure (Sewer): Design for sanitary sewer between West End and Mustang Alley complete. Slated to go to construction Summer 2022.
<p>Update the Solid Waste Management Plan To address new challenges in recycling, using the EPA “Managing and Transforming Waste Streams”¹ tool to chart a path toward a Zero Waste Plan for the City.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work has begun on the update of the Solid Waste Management Plan. • Implementation of the plastic bag tax goes into effect on April 1, 2022.
<p>Establish a green procurement policy for City government Including replacement of existing fleet with electric vehicles, electric powered maintenance equipment, and low lifecycle emissions products of all kinds. Prioritize energy efficiency and low emissions in building HVAC systems, lighting, and emergency generators. Incorporate Zero waste principles.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New electric vehicle charging station installed behind City Hall. • Police has ordered two electric vehicles. • Schools have ordered two electric school buses.
<p>Establish a program to acquire floodplain property or easements Such properties could be converted to riparian buffers and wetlands.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) Program considered in 2019.
<p>Develop a climate risk assessment and a climate resilience plan for the City Created in consultation with the community, in order to better understand the risks to the City from climate change and make appropriate risk management decisions for buildings, infrastructure and emergency planning.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft climate change mitigation energy action plan went to Planning Commission in 2021. Currently in the procurement process.

ENVIRONMENT FOR EVERYONE (DRAFT) Medium Term 2023-2025

ACTION	ACTION COMPLETION DATE
<p>Establish an infrastructure policy Encourages the use of green rather than gray infrastructure features across the City, including in Capital Improvement Program projects.</p>	

ENVIRONMENT FOR EVERYONE (DRAFT) Long Term 2026 and Beyond

ACTION	ACTION COMPLETION DATE
<p>Install renewable energy generation and storage facilities Install in City buildings and schools as soon as practicable.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schools trying to get solar panels added to high school.
<p>Deploy high-efficiency, low energy-use, dark-sky compliant street and outdoor lighting City-wide In accordance with the adopted Streetscape Standard where it applies.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LED Pilot Project underway. Working to implement pilot program fixtures in late February or early March 2022.
<p>Restore streams and waterways Including Four Mile Run, Tripp’s Run and other smaller branches.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Virginia Tech Four Mile Run Restoration Action Plan prepared. Four Mile Run Restoration project in out years of the CIP. Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) Program considered in 2019.