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2016 Freedom Community Comprehensive Plan Community Outreach Meeting

Westminster, Tuesday, June 30, 2016 – On Wednesday, July 13, 2016 the Planning & Zoning Commission will host a community outreach meeting for the *2016 Freedom Community Comprehensive Plan*. The meeting will be held at Liberty High School from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the auditorium. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

In order to best utilize the time available and to ensure that everyone's interests are addressed as much as possible, the format will be as follows:

- 7:00 to 7:10 p.m.: Introductions and Opening Remarks;
- 7:10 to 7:30 p.m.: a brief presentation by Planning staff regarding the plan's status;
- 7:30 to 8:15 p.m.: question and answer session;
- 8:15 to 9:00 p.m.: public comment session.

During the question and answer session the Planning & Zoning Commission and Planning staff will respond to questions that have been submitted prior to the meeting. Similar questions will be grouped to avoid duplicate answers. This portion of the meeting has been set up this way to ensure that pre-submitted questions are provided comprehensive responses and that maps, graphics and other supporting resources can be prepared in advance. Questions may be submitted to Department of Planning by emailing them to ccplanning@ccg.carr.org. Questions can also be mailed to the Department of Planning at 225 North Center Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157. Questions must be submitted by the close of business on July 8th to be considered.

Speakers wishing to address the Planning & Zoning Commission during the public comments session will be asked to sign-in before the meeting begins. Each speaker will be given a maximum of 3 minutes to speak. Questions not submitted in advance may be asked during this timeframe; however, the imposed three minute limit will include responses. This is necessary to ensure that the maximum number of citizens is provided an opportunity to comment. No speakers will be taken after 9:00 p.m.

For more information on the plan and to see the new official <u>Future Land Use map</u> go to <u>Freedomareaplan.org</u>.

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