

# Green Infrastructure in Frederick County

Frederick County Green Infrastructure Advisory Group

Meeting #5

January 16, 2025

Green Infrastructure Website:



FrederickCountyMD.gov/  
GreenInfrastructurePlan



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# Advisory Group Meeting #4 Review

- Discussion of Meeting #4 Minutes
- Review of Outline Discussion / Housing + Green Infrastructure



## FREDERICK COUNTY GOVERNMENT DIVISION OF PLANNING & PERMITTING

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### Green Infrastructure Advisory Group Meeting #4 December 19, 2024, Meeting Minutes

#### I. Meeting Details

Meeting date and time: December 19, 2024, at 2:00 PM

Meeting location: 30 North Market Street, Frederick, MD 21701

#### II. Attendance

Advisory Group members present: Denny Remsburg, Troy Kitch, Karen Russell, Amy Rembold, David Lillard, Karen Cannon, Mike Spurrier, Benjamin Friton, Scott Burrall

Advisory Group members absent: Abraham Olsson, Jim Humerick, Lindsey Donaldson, Barry Salisbury

County staff: Kimberly Gaines, Denis Superczynski, Karin Flom, Andrew Stine

#### III. Call to Order

Mr. Stine brought the meeting to order at 2:01 PM, welcomed the advisory group members, provided a summary of updates to the Green Infrastructure Plan website (uploads of new materials), and set out a tentative timetable for items on the meeting agenda.

#### IV. Review of Meeting #3

Mr. Stine conducted a review of the materials generated for Advisory Group Meeting #3, held December 5, 2024, as part of the next item on the agenda.

He noted that the minutes for the third meeting were distributed with the invitation to Advisory Group Meeting #4, were provided to members as part of the Meeting #4 printed materials, and materials were available to meeting attendees on a Green Infrastructure Plan documents table. Mr. Stine asked the Advisory Group members if there were any comments or questions regarding the minutes as prepared, and none were raised.

Mr. Stine also presented a summary of feedback received from the Advisory Group during the Network Protocol Exercise that was conducted as part of Advisory Group Meeting #3. A summary exhibit, developed from the Network Protocol Exercise, was distributed with the minutes for Meeting #3, and the Advisory Group participated in a general discussion of various parts of the summary exhibit including:

## Frederick County Meeting #4 Discussion

- I. Table of Contents
- II. Acknowledgements
- III. Definitions
- IV. Introduction
  - a. Livable Frederick
  - b. Green Infrastructure
  - c. Why Green Infrastructure?
  - d. Green Infrastructure Goals
  - e. The Climate Change Challenge
  - f. Related Documents
- V. The County's Role
  - a. Goals
  - b. Hydrology
  - c. Tree Canopy
  - d. Habitat
  - e. Cultural Resources
- VI. Green Infrastructure
  - a. Priority Projects
  - b. County's Role
  - c. Green Infrastructure Plan
  - d. Green Infrastructure Plan
  - e. V
  - f. R
- VII. Implementation
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.
  - d.
  - e.
- VIII. Conclusion
- IX. Appendix



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- Riparian Buffers
- Green Infrastructure and local food security
- Threats and opportunities to frame discussions in the Plan
- Comprehensive consideration of habitat types
- Explore implications of invasive species and invasive species mapping
- Importance of intelligent growth as it applies to housing
- Flooding, heat islands/tree canopy, stormwater, open space in neighborhoods, affordability and quality of life as they can be addressed by green infrastructure
- “Smart-sized” solar, other uses for open space

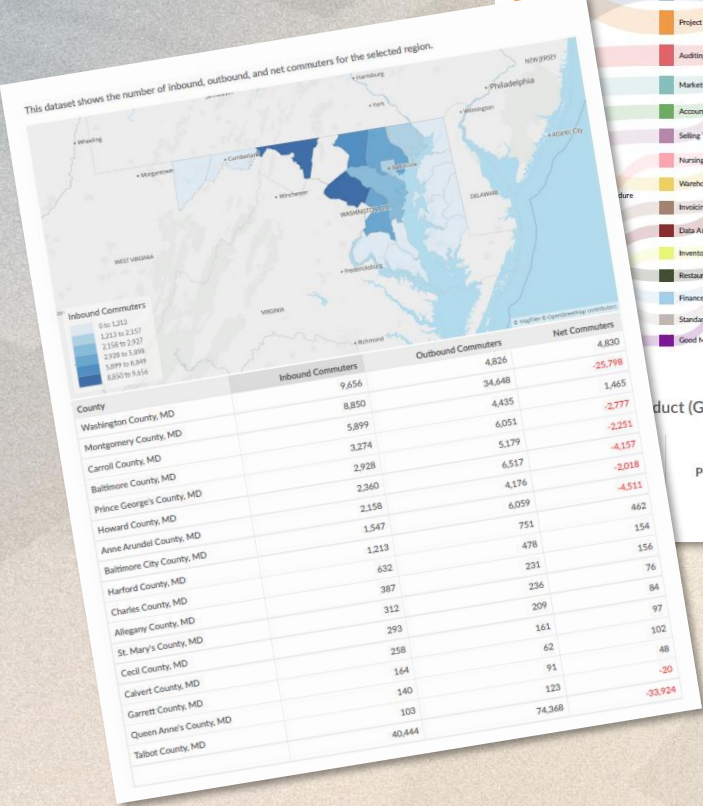
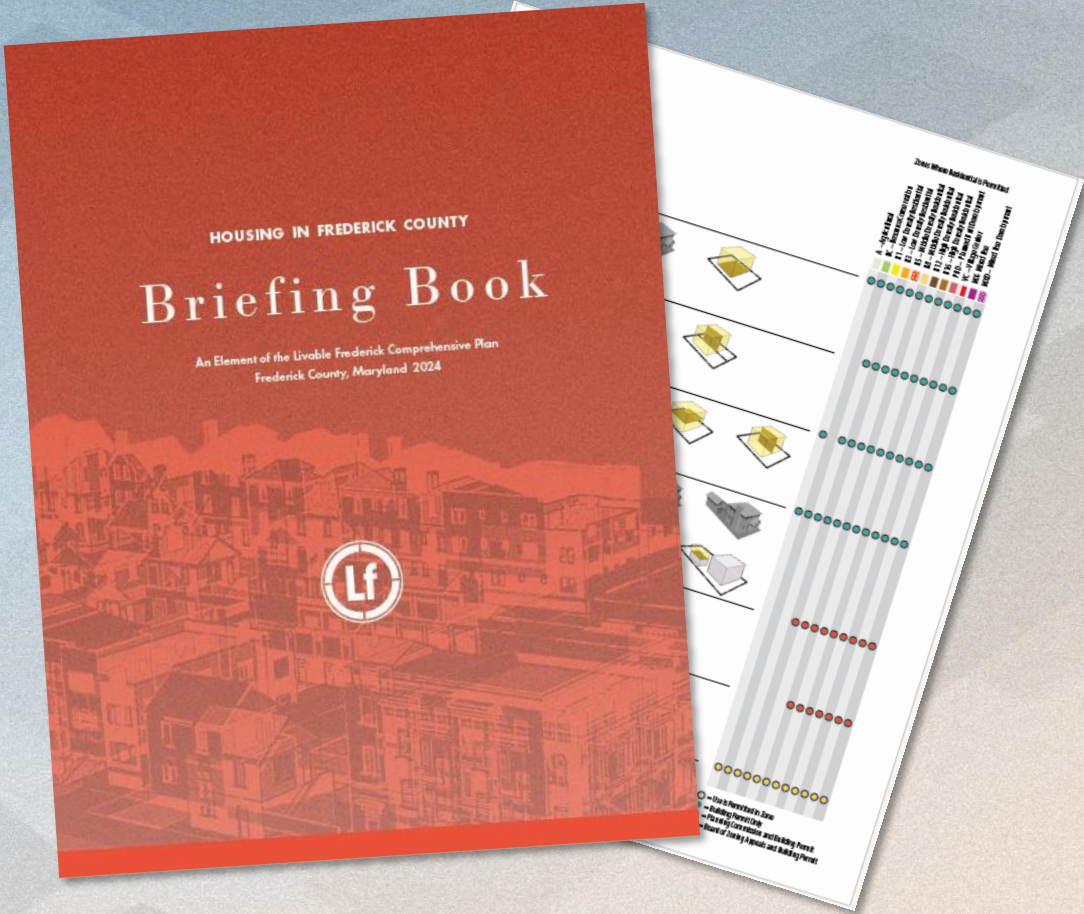


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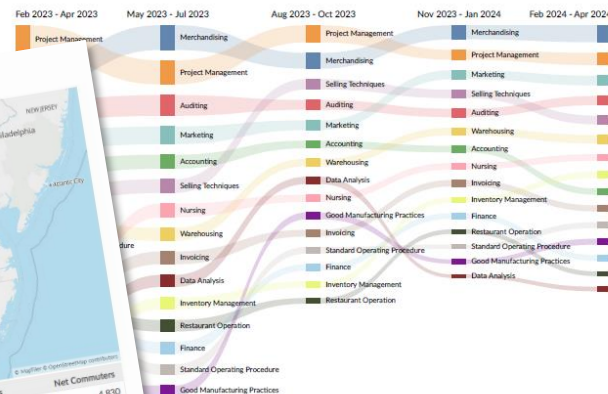
## Green Infrastructure, Housing & Workforce/Employment



What skills are they posting for?

Top 15 Skills for All Job Types by Quarter

Skills help us understand the direction an industry is headed.



Product (GRP)

\$4.2B  
Property Income  
(2022)

\$864.2M  
Taxes (2022)

\$15.4B  
Total GRP (2022)



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# Advisory Group Meeting #1 - #5 Review

Are there any topics that have not been addressed as part of the:

- Exercises?
- Mapping?
- Discussions?
- ...?



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# Planning for Advisory Group Meeting #6

- Review/revisit the work of Advisory Group Work to date
- Review Early Development of Network Protocol/Mapping
- Review Development of Plan Outline



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# Tentative Future Meeting Schedule:

Potential Meeting #6 – Late Spring or Early Summer 2025



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# Next Meeting & Contact Information:

Next Meeting: To Be Determined  
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