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Resolution

Adopting the 2022 Comprehensive Plan

WHEREAS, we who live in Washington Grove enjoy the fruits of those who planned for us, and it is our intention and our legal responsibility to do the same for future residents; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Washington Grove is one of the municipal corporations within the State of Maryland empowered with planning authority as specified in the Land Use Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, in accord with requirements of the planning authority granted the Town by the State of Maryland the Town completed and approved three previous Master Plans, in 1975, in 1995, and in 2009; and

WHEREAS, in 2019 the Town commenced preparation of an updated Comprehensive Plan (renamed from "Master Plan"), that involved focus group meetings of Town residents, work sessions and public hearings of the Planning Commission, and input received from State and County agencies pursuant to the Land Use Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland; and

WHEREAS Planning Commission approved the 2022 Comprehensive Plan on 30 March 2022, now posted on the Town's official website, and recommended that the Town Council adopt the 2022 Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council is empowered, in accordance with the Land Use Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and provisions of the Town Charter and Article V (Planning) of the Town's Code of Ordinances, to review, amend and adopt the 2022 Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, in adopting the 2022 Comprehensive Plan, it is the intention of this Town Council that the Plan recommendations, unless otherwise expressly provided, not compel the actions of future Town Councils; and the Plan recommendations should be interpreted as thoughtful guidance respecting matters for discussion by the Town Council, Planning Commission and Historic Preservation Commission, and considered for possible adoption.

Now, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Washington Grove that the 2022 Comprehensive Plan is hereby adopted in its entirety with editing and amendments as specifically identified at the time of adoption of this Resolution, to

serve as a guide to public and private actions and decisions to ensure the development of public and private property in appropriate relationships.

Adopted and effective this 29th day of August, 2022

Approved by Mayor and Town Council:

_____/s/_____
Mayor Date

Attest: _____/s/_____
Town Clerk Date