

Calvert County Comprehensive Plan Update

Supporting Options in Community Character: Developing a Placed-type Strategy

February 22, 2017 Workshop

Meeting Evaluations Summary

Number of respondents: 20

How the respondents learned about the meeting (some respondents chose more than one):

News media	County webpage	County Facebook page	County Newsflash	Email	Radio	Television	Phone notification	Other
7	6	2	2	5	0	0	2	-Boss (1) -Democratic Meeting (2)

How the respondents responded to each statement:

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Answer
1. Objectives were clearly stated and met.	2	11.5	5.5	0	1
2. Meeting content was presented clearly.	3	10.5	4.5	2	0
3. The meeting format allowed me to express my opinions and preferences adequately.	8	7	4	0	1
4. Sufficient time was provided for discussion of the issues.	4	4	7	3	2
5. The facility was satisfactory.	5.5	11	2.5	1	0
6. The issue paper was clearly written and provided sufficient background.	4	8.5	4.5	1	2

Summary of specific responses:

Question 2. Some could not hear the speakers well.

Question 4. Many thought that the discussions were productive and enjoyed hearing new ideas and perspectives. However, many said that they needed more time for the discussions.

Question 5. While the discussions were good, some noted that it was hard to hear others at their table because another table in their room was being loud. It was suggested to have individual rooms for each group.

Best part of the meeting:

- Hearing the ideas of other participants
- Ability to express concerns
- Getting to know other participants
- Table discussions
- Good presentation
- Diverse participation
- Defining where the county has been and how it will reach 2040

Suggestions for improvement:

- More time for the breakout sessions - this was the most frequent request
- Rooms were noisy with two groups in it. There was a suggestion to have individual meeting areas for each group.
- Smaller group size
- More focus on the specific topic during group discussions
- Use note takers to count responses instead of through a smartphone
- More millennial involvement
- More information and definitions specific to the topic (Ex.: definitions of hamlet, town center, etc.)
- Some felt ill-informed about the subject matter as a whole.
- Could not hear some of the speakers
- Suggestion to host meetings specific to this topic at each of the towns involved to get more feedback from people directly impacted
- More advertising