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Ashton Village Center Sector Plan Virtual Tour

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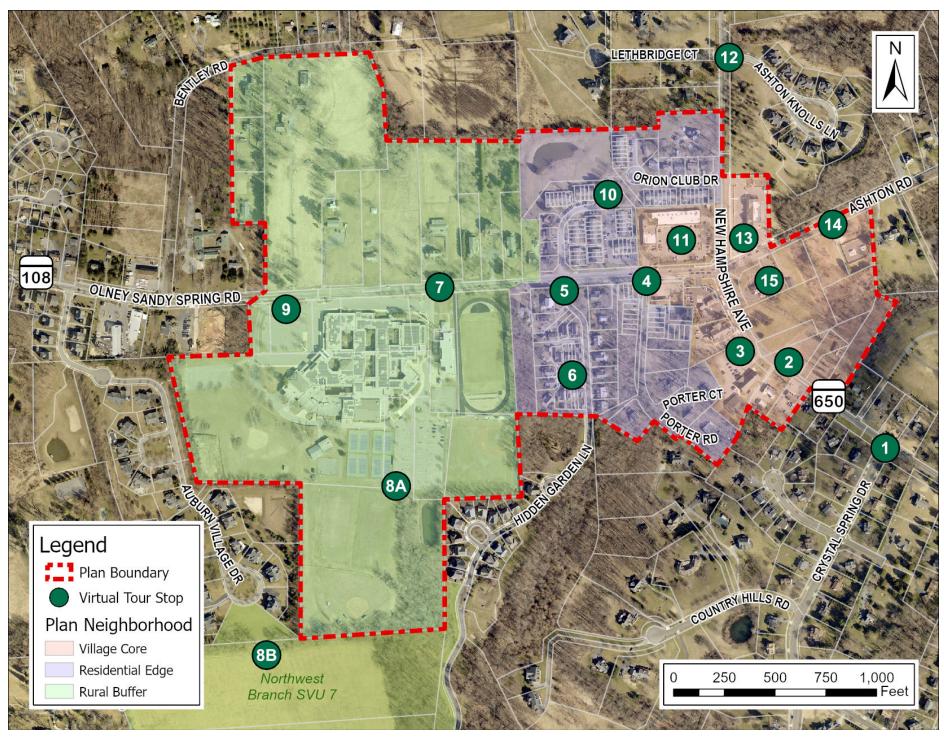
Description

Virtual Tour of the area covered by the Ashton Village Center Sector Plan

Summary

Prior to this evening's public hearing for the Ashton Village Center Sector Plan, Planning Staff will lead the Planning Board and other online guests on a visual tour of the Plan area. The public hearing will follow this "virtual" tour after a short dinner break.

Attachment A provides a map of the tour route and a summary of the stops.



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- 1 Crystal Spring Drive
 - Recommended multi-use path on the west side of MD 650
 - View of Plan area from the south
- 2 Southeast Quadrant Parking Pad
 - Open field, Sandy Spring Bank and single-family home
 - A combination of CRT, R-60 and RC zoned properties
 - Environmental buffer to the east
 - Across MD 650: Cricket Book Shop and Shipley Services building in the CRT zone; two apartments above the book shop
- 3 Christ Community Church of Ashton
 - The former Ashton Baptist Church is in the R-90 zone
 - The Alloway building, in the CRT zone, was built in 2001
 - The Plan recommends rezoning the church property to a C/R zone to "complete" the village center
 - The Exxon will need to be allowed to continue in the CRN zone
 - A short section of multi-use path runs from the church to Exxon
 - Proposed removal of two filling station driveways
- 4 Porter Road
 - Construction site for Ashton Market in the TF-10 zone
- 5 Historic Register Eligible Houses
 - Three national register eligible houses
- 6 Wyndcrest Community
 - A mix of detached houses and townhouses, some with detached garages and access alleys
- 7 Sherwood High School East Entrance
 - High school and track
 - Recommended crosswalk
 - Recommended multi-use path on the north side of MD 108
- 8A Sherwood High School Athletic Fields
 - Recommended connection to the parkland to the south

- 8B State Champion White Ash Tree
 - Proposed trails to connect Ashton to parkland
- 9 Sherwood High School West Entrance
 - Sandy Spring Museum and historic Cloverly across MD 108
 - Rural buffer between Sandy Spring and Ashton
 - End of current multi-use path on the north side of MD 108
- 10 Ashton Club Way Cul-de-sac
 - A mix of single-family detached houses and townhouses
 - Large community open space and SWM pond
 - Direct connection through opening in the shopping center
- 11 Ashton Village Center Shopping Center
 - Convenience store, post office, restaurants and other stores
 - Unsafe for students coming from the high school
 - Incomplete sidewalk network along MD 108 and MD 650
 - National historic register eligible house north of Orion Club Drive
- 12 Ashton Knolls
 - (North of Plan area) RNC neighborhood with clustered houses and a large amount of open space to help maintain rural character
 - View of the Plan area from the north
- 13 CVS
 - Ashton sign and landscaped parklet in the corner
 - Utility pole in NE corner and stop bar on southbound MD 650
 - Proposed design guidelines and the C/R zone would require the building to be built closer to the street with parking behind
- 14 BG&E Substation
 - Mention that this is the eastern plan boundary
 - View of the Plan area from the East
- 15 Sandy Spring Bank
 - Iconic shade trees on the corner
 - Village center does not engage pedestrians
 - Bank drive-thru will need to be allowed to continue in zone