

News City of Rockville Planning Commission Releases Revised Draft of Rockville's Pike Plan

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The City of Rockville Planning Commission released its revised Draft of *Rockville's Pike Plan*. The Plan is intended to establish City infrastructure and land use policy and implementation guidance for the Pike corridor.

The Plan will establish a vision for how Rockville's portion of the Rockville Pike Corridor can be transformed from a nondistinctive suburban retail strip into an attractive and vibrant location for living, working and shopping. The Plan represents an update to the Rockville Pike Corridor Neighborhood Plan, which was adopted into the City's Master Plan in 1989.

The Planning Commission will hold Public Hearings on the Rockville Pike District (RPD) Zone on Wednesdays, March 20, April 24 and May 22 at 7:00 p.m. The RPD Zone describes the development regulations governing building form and land use within the Rockville Pike study area. The RPD Zone focuses its regulations on the relationship between building facades and the public realm or street, the form and mass of buildings in relation to one another, and the scale and types of streets and blocks. This approach is intended to emphasize the public realm's character and to allow what is developed behind the "building frontage" to be more flexible than what is found in traditional zoning.

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