

Downtown Strategic Plan Phase II West Side and Waterfront

Council Workshop

February 23, 2022



Meeting Outline

- 1. Context for Phase II Strategic Plan
- 2. Market Snapshot
- 3. Phase II Framework
- 4. Phase II Focus Plans

Context for Phase II Strategic Plan

Current Master Plan

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- 12. AMPHITHEATER RECREATIONAL PARK
 - WOODLAND PATHWAYS-TRAIL NETWORK CONNECTING INN-CONFERENCE CENTER, TOWN CENTER, WHARF, AND ADDITIONAL PARKING



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Phase I Strategic Plan Focus



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Phase II Strategic Plan Focus **TUDOR HALL** PRELIMINARY OWNERSHIP MAP

Phase II Strategic Plan Focus **Potential Active Park Space Redevelopment of Automobile Dealership Property Waterfront Trail** Fenwick Extended Shepherd's Old **Connection and Field** Community **Connections** Interface with **Hotel/Conference Center and** Surrounding **Amphitheater** Community **TUDOR HALL** PRELIMINARY OWNERSHIP MAP

Market Snapshot

Population Projections

Population is projected to grow over the next five years

- 8,302 residents (10 min. drive time)
- 66,741 residents (20 min. drive time)

Source: Claritas

Households: Over the next five years there is projected to be:

- 178 new households (10 min. drive time)
- 1,388 new households (20 min. drive time)

Source: Claritas

Housing Opportunities

- Capture rate is likely higher than estimated.
- Emergence of shift in housing type.
- Expected to continue along with national trends.

BUILDING PERMITS ST. MARY'S	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Total Units	698	1,164	931	689	555
Units in Single-Family Structures	689	1,164	871	615	399
Units in All Multi-Family Structures	9	0	60	74	156

Retail Leakage Analysis

RETAIL LEAKAGE

When local consumers buy more than stores sell

OR

RETAIL GAIN

When stores sell more than locals buy



PTA Retail Leakage 20 Min DT

Stores Sell

\$1.07 billion

Consumers Buy

\$1.25 billion

Market LEAKS

\$178 million



Retail Opportunities

- Capture scenario would place these at about 20-30% of total value.
- Conservative estimate because it:
 - Doesn't count for growth
 - Doesn't count visitors

Retail Opportunities

- Restaurants/Dining \$19.1 million leakage
 14,300 SF Capture (30%) with Sales/SF at \$400
- Furniture/Home furniture \$18.7 million leakage 6,200 SF Capture (10%) with Sales/SF at \$300
- Clothing/Accessories \$16.9 million leakage
 5,600 SF Capture (10%) with Sales/SF at \$300
- Specialty Food/Beverage \$ 5.1 million leakage
 3,400 SF Capture (20%) with Sales/SF at \$400
- Art/Gifts/Specialty \$ 9.7 million leakage
 6,500 SF Capture (20%) with Sales/SF at \$300

Hotel Opportunities

Daily Rates and Occupancy in St. Mary's County

- Average daily are increasing
- Occupancy rates are increasing

Source: Smith Travel Research (STAR) Reports

Hotel Opportunities

Reinforcing Factors

- Within one year the sole conference center hotel in the three-county region will cease operation
- Leonardtown has worked for years with the State and County to explore a full-service hotel as key component of Tudor Hall Farms

Hotel Opportunities

Reinforcing Factors

- COVID-19 brought a significant shift to leisure stays in the county with high demand for weekend accommodations
- The Inn at Leonardtown demonstrates success of a downtown hotel
- Downtown continues to expand as a specialty dining and shopping destination
- Leonardtown offers the opportunity to add a hotel with amenities and attractions in a waterfront and walkable downtown setting
- A new facility would be the only full-service property in Southern Maryland and Virginia's Northern Neck

Phase II Framework













Phase II Focus Areas





Waterfront

Goal: Expand access to and extend Leonardtown's waterfront.

- Accommodate more activities along the waterfront beyond The Wharf
- Respect, enhance, and showcase the natural environment
- Link amenities with a multi-purpose trail network
- Connect existing and future neighborhoods to the waterfront







The Wharf

Goal: Enhance Leonardtown Wharf as a recreational amenity and destination

- Preserve overall structure of the space
- Expand recreational amenities-splash pad and historic carousel
- Provide access to food/refreshment-at the right scale-"Food Hall"
- Expand parking resources
- Enhance connections to The Square and other amenities along the Waterfront



LEONARDTOWN DOWNTOWN STRATEGIC PLAN PHASE 2: WEST SIDE AND WATERFRONT
THE WHARF











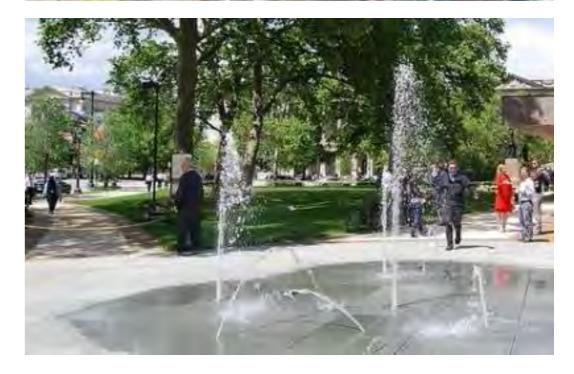


Splashpad

- Small scale splashpad (not a waterpark).
- Flexible to be used when not in season.
- Decorative and interactive.
- Adjacent to Food Hall and Carousel.













Ice-House Food Hall at the Wharf









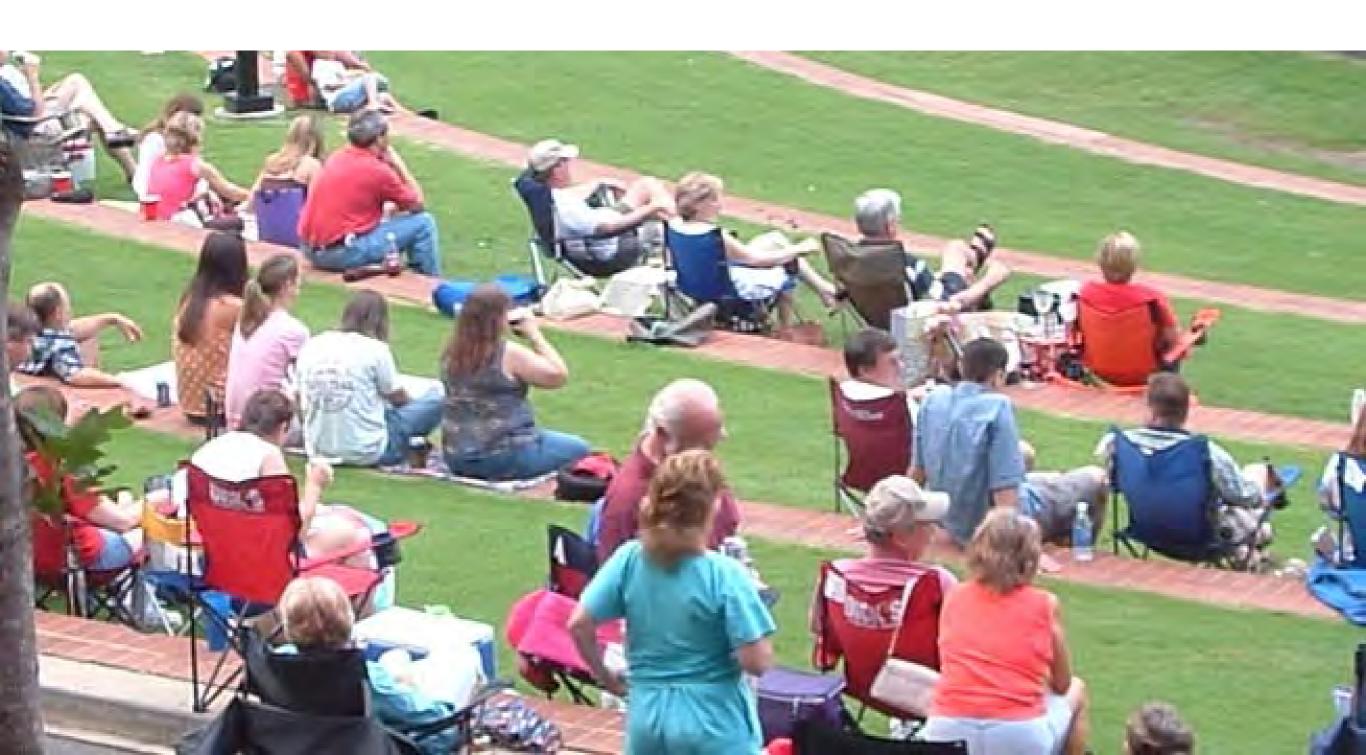
Ice-House Food Hall

- Can start out as a food truck venue
- Flexible space for a variety of food vendors
- Extensions of existing restaurants
- Test concepts for restaurant expansion
- New dining startups
- Family friendly with a variety of offerings
- Outdoor common areas
- Potential second floor/rooftop for private events
- Reference the original ice plant architecturally

Waterfront Implementing Actions

- Visit food hall concepts in nearby communities
- Work with local developers, investors, and existing restauranteurs to test interest
- Complete a more detailed design of the concept including the food hall, carousel, and splash pad with a focus on accommodating accessibility while constructing above flood elevation
- Prepare a light pro-forma
- Explore funding options for public infrastructure to support the project including parking, ADA accommodations, and storm water management
- Organize food truck events in the near term to seed public interest





The Overlook Amphitheater

Goal: Provide an outdoor space that is flexible for performances and gatherings/events while celebrating the waterfront.

- 1,200-1,500 capacity for performances
- Responds to site landform and views to Breton Bay
- Clear and direct access from Washington Street
- Convenient and accessible parking while recognizing the right balance for the site
- Connections to other amenities, destinations, and neighborhoods alogn a multi-use trail network



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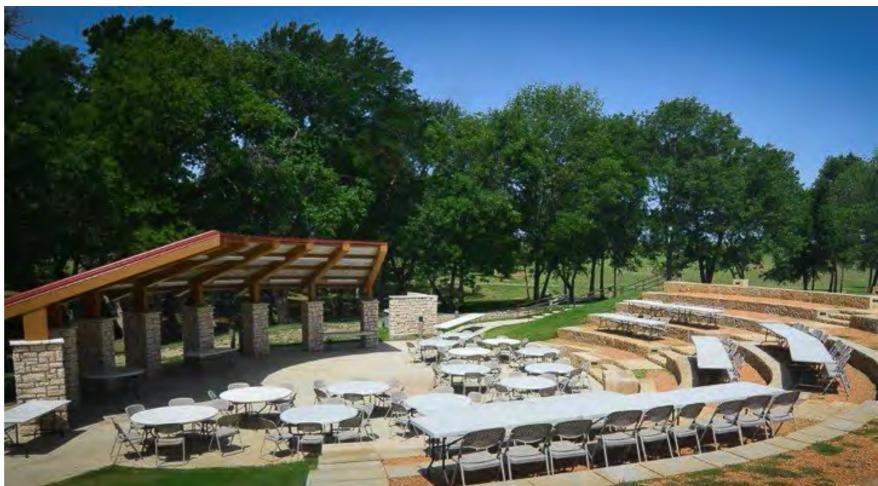








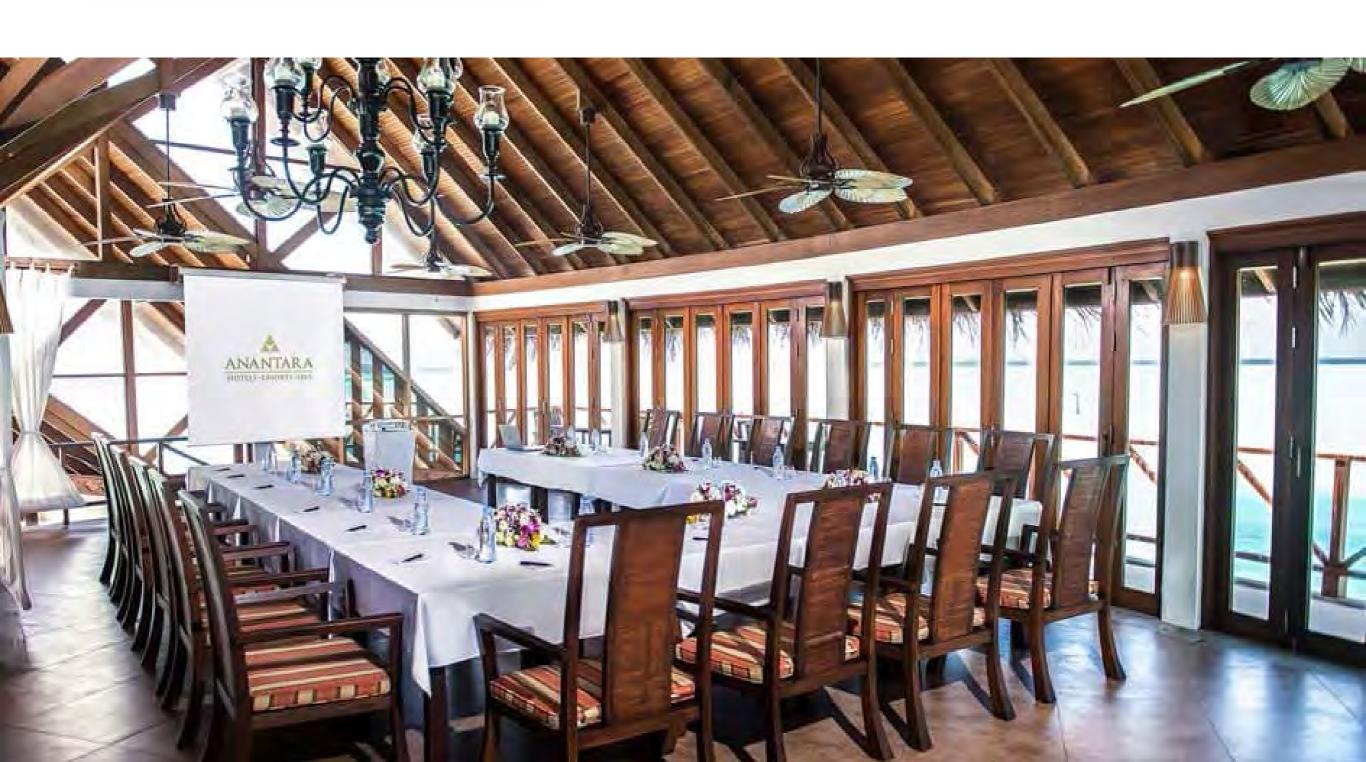




The Overlook Implementing Actions

- Visit amphitheaters in other communities
- Explore land swap to allow for access from Washington Street
- Determine types of events to plan for, including revenue-generating
- Explore funding opportunities
- Prepare detailed design that maximizes flexibility

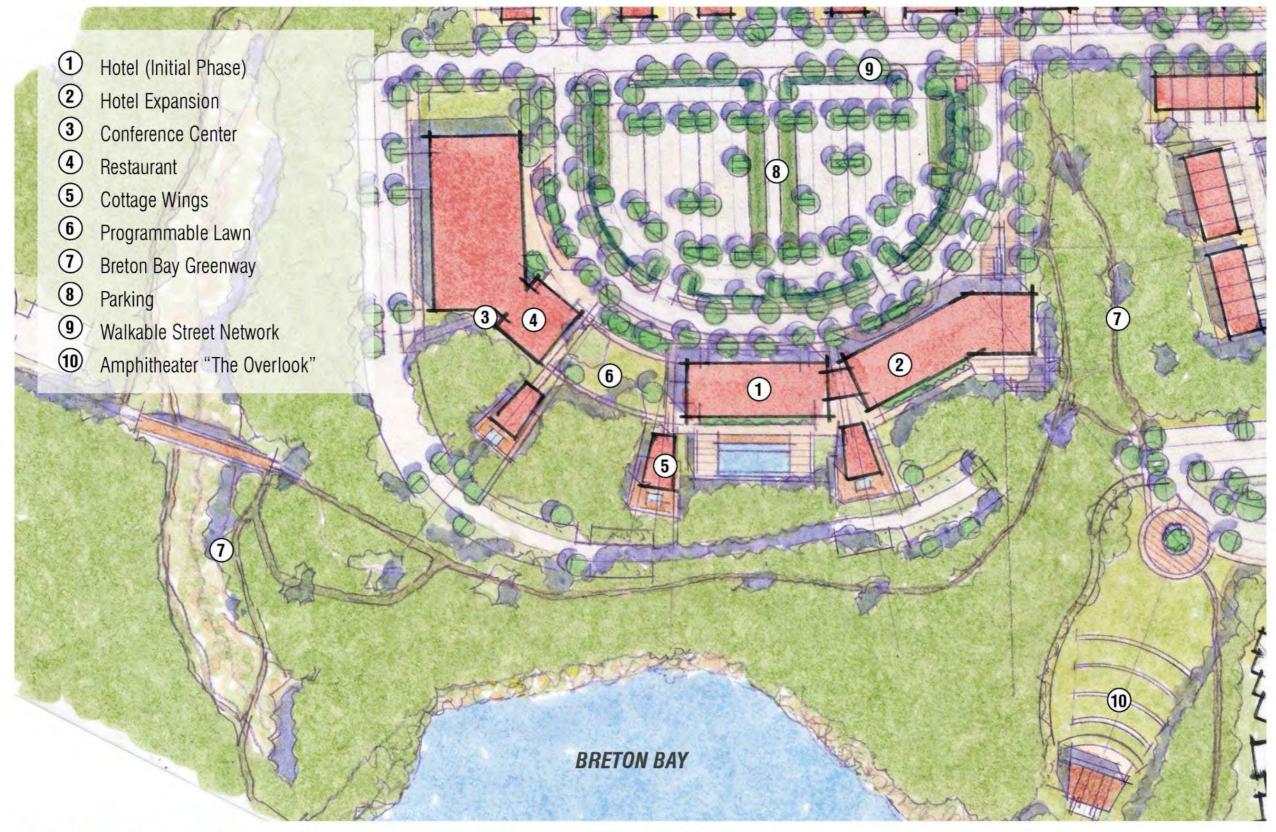




The Lodge at Tudor Hall Farm

Goal: Pursue the long-standing objective of a Full-Service Hotel in St. Mary's County that provides amenities for business and leisure travelers.

- 125 Rooms with potential to expand to 250 rooms
- Amenity rich nature hotel, water views, with "cottage wings" for small groups
- 25,000-50,000 square feet of conference space with common area and breakout rooms
- On site restaurant
- Only such facility in the three-county region



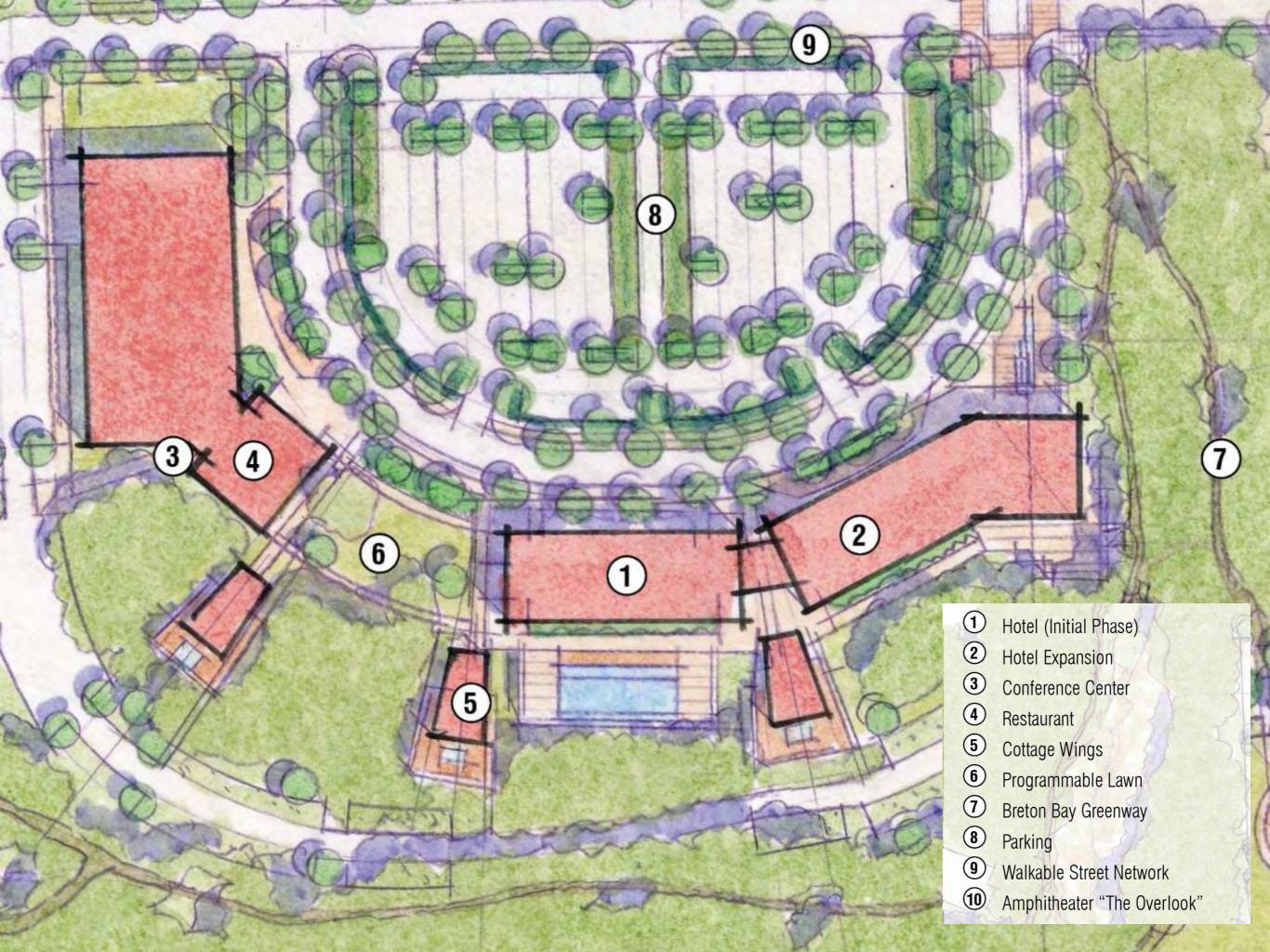
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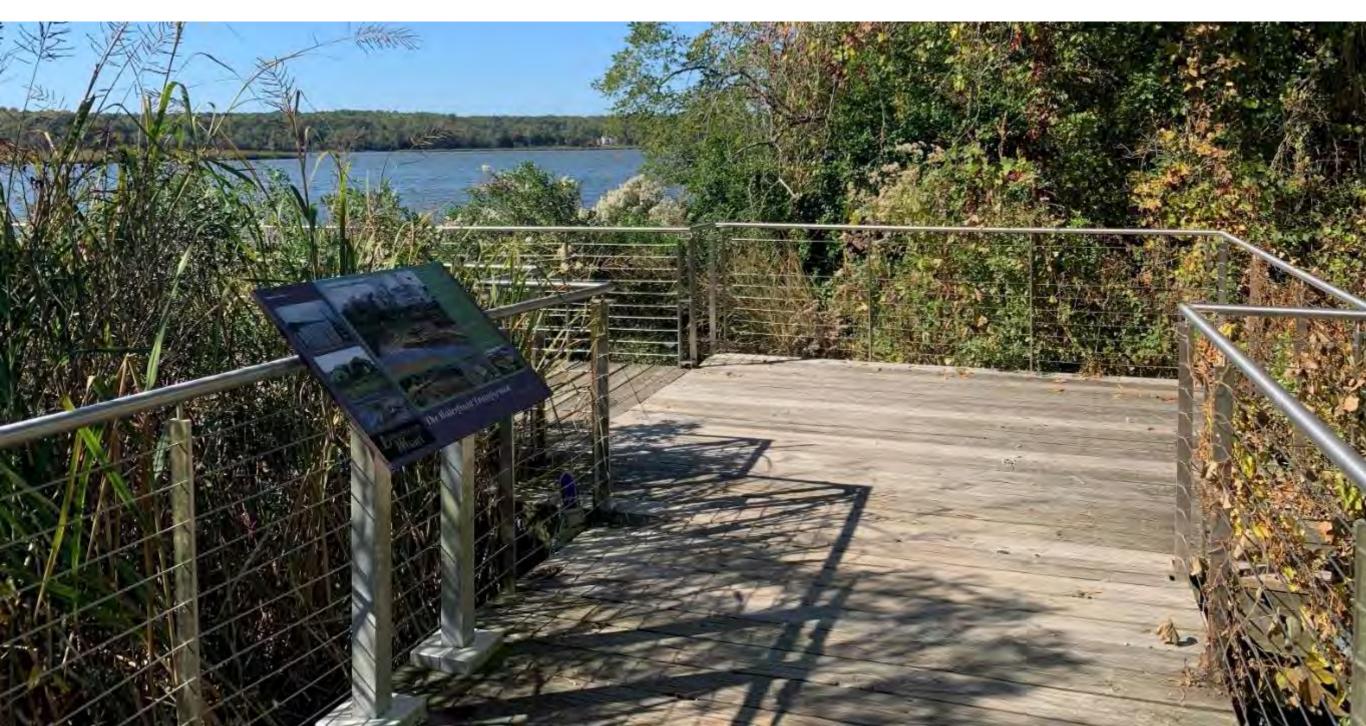




The Lodge Implementing Actions

- Continue to vet the hotel concept with developers
- Complete a more robust market study that considers profit points, margins, and return on investment
- Be prepared to offer incentives in the form of land write downs and public/private partnership ownership of conference space to complete the project

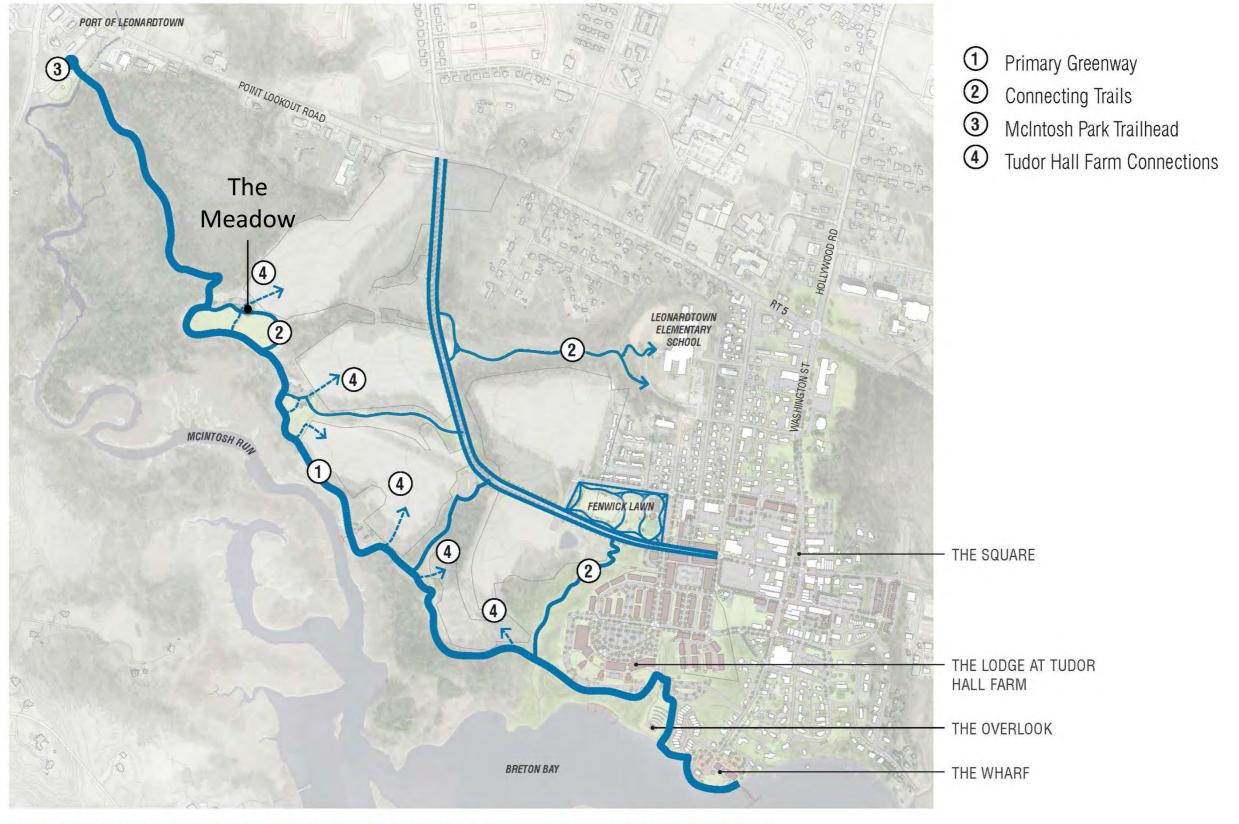




Breton Bay Greenway

Goal: Showcase the waterfront, link amenities and provide a variety of experiences

- Variable Surface
- Tudor Hall Farm Linkages
- Broader Community Linkages
- Hierarchy of Park Spaces
- Variety of "Loops"
- Variety of Experiences and Activities
- Interpretation (Environmental, History, and Culture)



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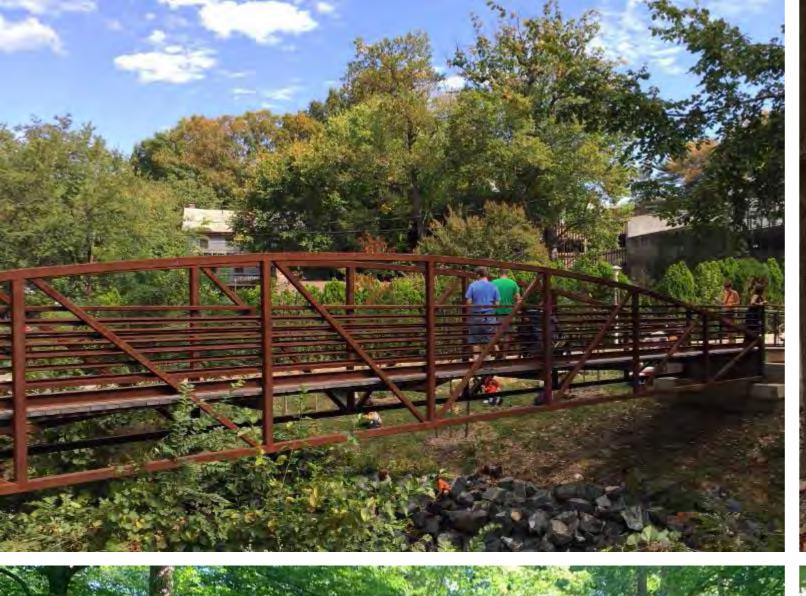




















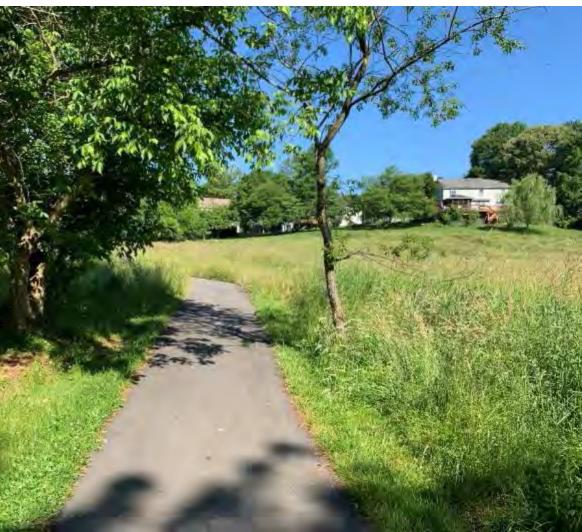








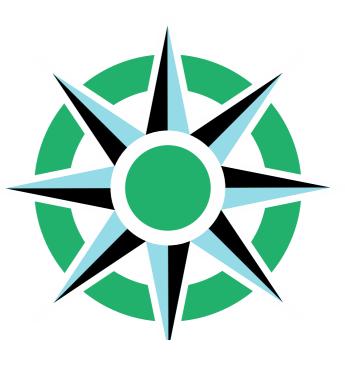




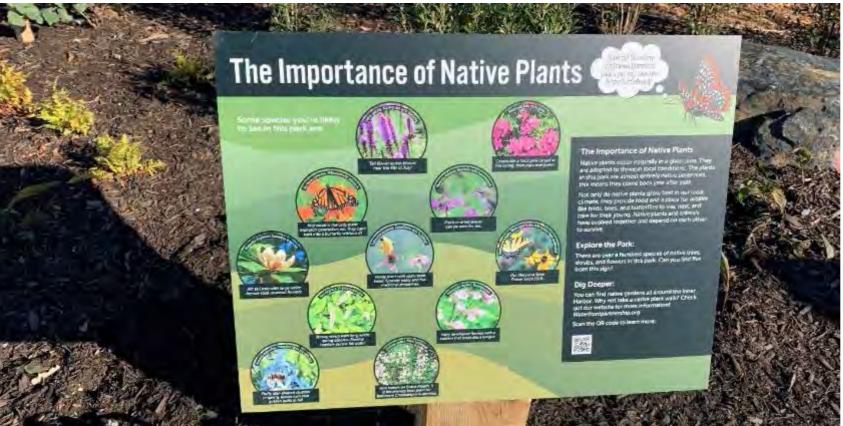












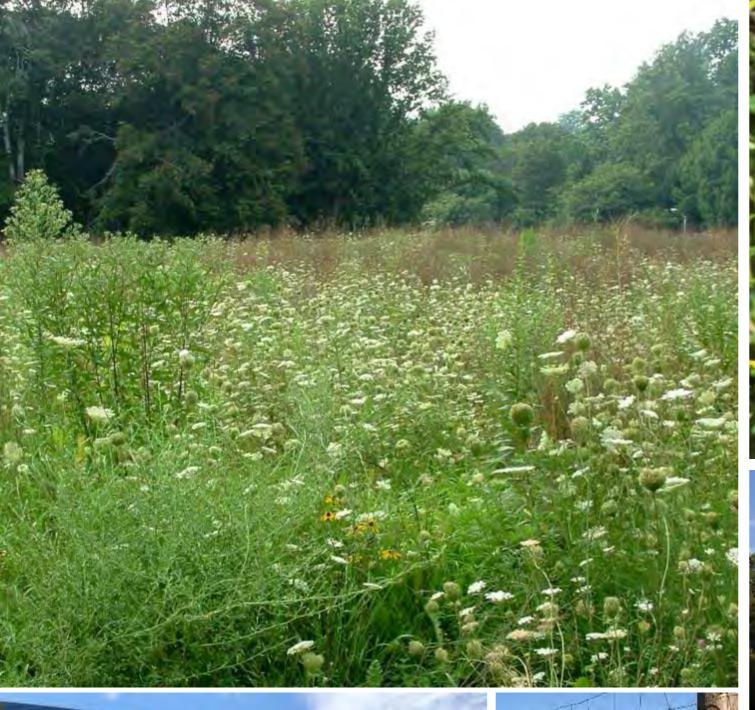


The Meadow

Goal: Establish a passive open meadow to highlight the area's ecological diversity.

- Provide mow paths/natural surface paths as an off-shoot of the main greenway
- Incorporate interpretive signage
- Provide some parking and amenities-benches, shelter, etc.















Greenway Implementing Actions

- Continue to work with Tudor Hall Farms to coordinate connections to development parcels
- Explore feasibility of trail connections through stream valleys
- Prepare detailed plans for trail extension along the waterfront from the Wharf
- Prepare plans for primary trail, providing for connections to and interface with the hotel and amphitheater





Fenwick Lawn

Goal: Create a centrally-located, active and flexible community park as a complement to Leonardtown's other parks and open spaces.

- Bound by public roadways to maximize visibility
- Provide a multi-purpose lawn large enough for pick-up games and community gatherings
- Complement existing and potential new businesses with activities that appeal to patrons as well as nearby residents



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FENWICK LAWN AND ADJACENT DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES



























Fenwick Lawn Implementing Actions

- Coordinate with Tudor Hall Farms for open space easements along western portion of park
- Consider park interface as detail plans for Fenwick Street Extended are developed
- Begin planning for extensions to Longmore and Barthleme Streets
- Prepare detailed plans for park (coordinated with Fenwick Street plans)

West Fenwick

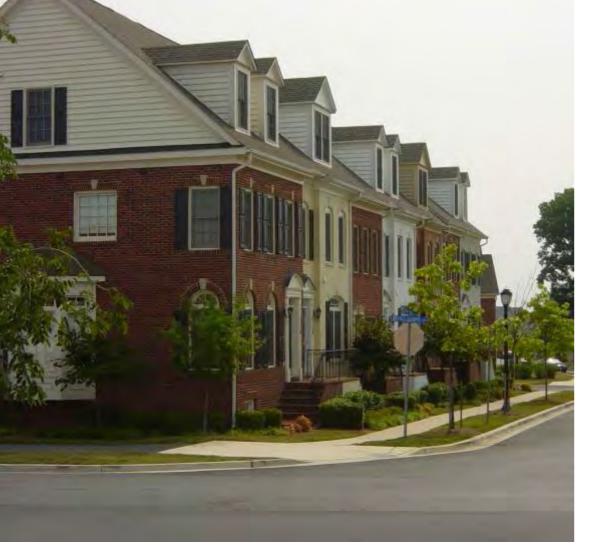


West Fenwick-Downtown Expansion

Goal: Guide westward expansion of downtown along Fenwick Street with clear connections and complementary uses.

- "Seamless" connection between the Square and Tudor Hall Farm
- Transition from more intensive uses close to downtown to less intensive away focusing on a variety of housing and expanded commercial development
- Long-term placeholder for parking deck



















West Fenwick Implementing Actions

- Continue to work with developers on the site planning of the former auto dealership property, emphasizing Park Avenue as a pedestrianfriendly connection
- Continue to facilitate re-use or redevelopment of the auto dealership buildings with an emphasis on retail space along Washington Street

West Fenwick Implementing Actions

- Maintain placeholder for future parking deck and explore funding opportunities
- Work with Tudor Hall Farms and other property owners to preserve mixed-use development and ground floor retail space along Fenwick Street Extended
- Encourage mix of housing types including stacked flats, stacked townhouses, senior housing, and other multi-family
- Work with Fire Department on re-use of property should they relocate to a location more central to their service area.

Discussion

Next Steps

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- 1. Final Refinements to Plan
- 2. Summary Package