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Carroll County Commissioners Schedule Freedom Plan Discussions

Westminster, MD, August 30, 2018 – Today, the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) began deliberating and discussed next steps to accomplish their goal of voting on the Freedom Community Comprehensive Plan by October 23, 2018. The board began to review a first draft presentation, prepared by Commissioners Howard and Rothschild, which focused on the vision statement in the plan and suggestions to modify the plan to better reflect community input. Their presentation was described as an executive overview. The board initiated a list of issues to be considered throughout the process.

Last week the board voted to rescind the decision made in October 2017 to remand the 2017 Freedom Plan to the Carroll County Planning Commission. The commissioners now have 60 days from that day to vote on the plan.

Scheduled meetings are as follows:

9/4/18	BCC Freedom Plan Discussion, Open Session County Office Building, 225 N. Center St., Westminster	10:00 a.m.
9/11/18	BCC Freedom Plan Discussion, Open Session *if needed County Office Building, 225 N. Center St., Westminster	10:00 a.m.
9/18/18	BCC Freedom Plan Discussion, Open Session *if needed County Office Building, 225 N. Center St., Westminster	10:00 a.m.

The BCC will schedule a public hearing in October and, based upon progress, will schedule a vote during open session on or before October 23, 2018.

Related updates and information appear on the <u>www.freedomareaplan.org</u> website and citizens are encouraged to review the site's content and monitor the page for any updates or changes. Please check the Carroll County Government meeting calendar website or call the County Commissioners' Office at 410-386-2043 for any updates.

Also, most meetings will be streamed and all meetings archived on the <u>county meeting portal</u>, <u>YouTube</u>, and <u>Facebook</u>. In addition, all meetings will be broadcast live and replayed on Comcast Channel 24.

Any citizen unable to attend a public comment session is encouraged to send comments via email to <u>commissioners@carrollcountymd.gov</u> or by mail to: Carroll County Commissioners, 225 N. Center Street, Westminster, MD, 21157.

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