

Public Open House

October 29, 2024

West Whiteland Township Building

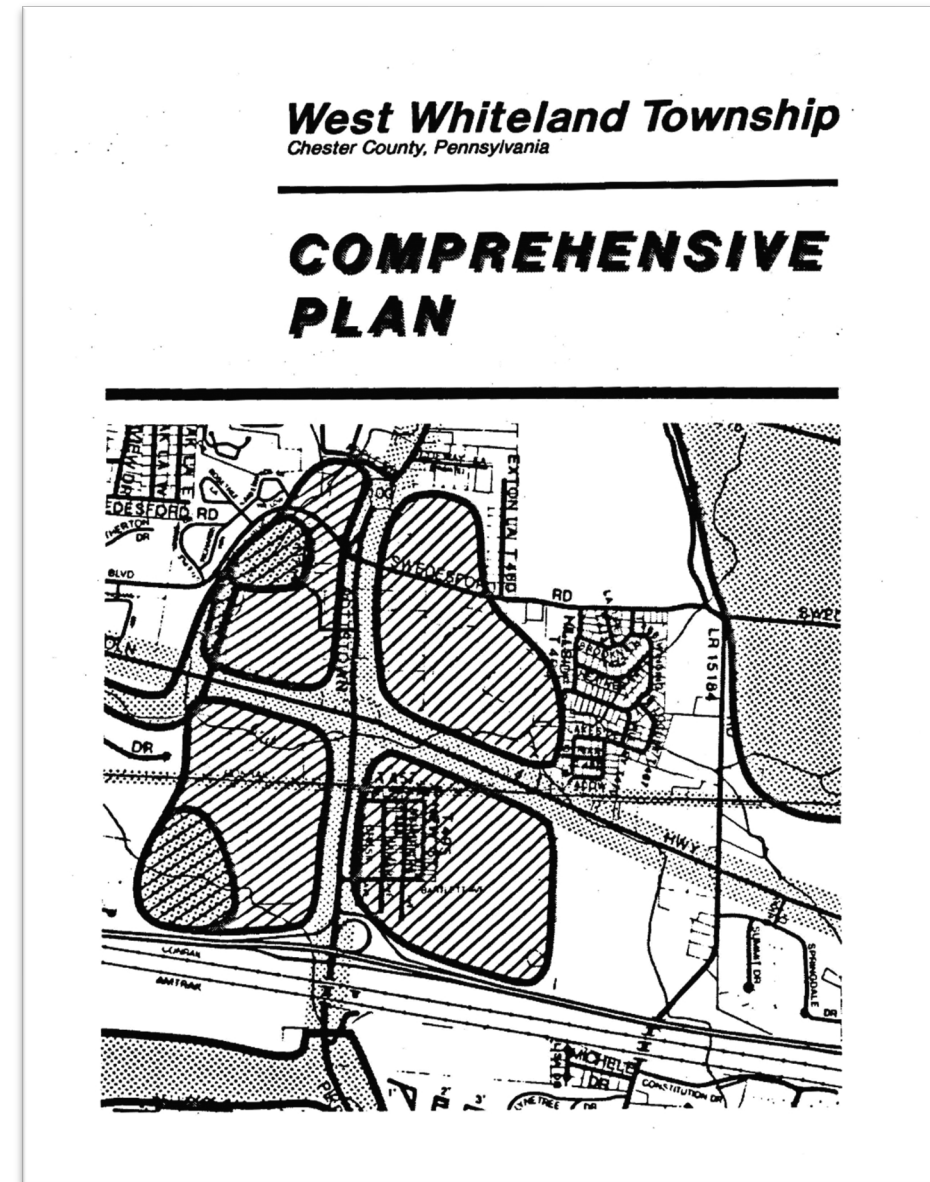


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Project Overview

- The Township was awarded a VPP in-kind grant of \$50,000 (57%) for the CCPC to serve as their consultant to update their 1994 comprehensive plan.
- This grant was matched with \$38,000 (43%) from the Township.
- Contract is from July 2024 through June 2026.



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What is a comprehensive plan?

- **Municipal comprehensive plans are authorized under Article III of the Municipalities Planning Code.**
- **Comprehensive plans address a wide variety of issues including but not limited to future land use, housing, connectivity, community facilities, natural, and historic resources.**

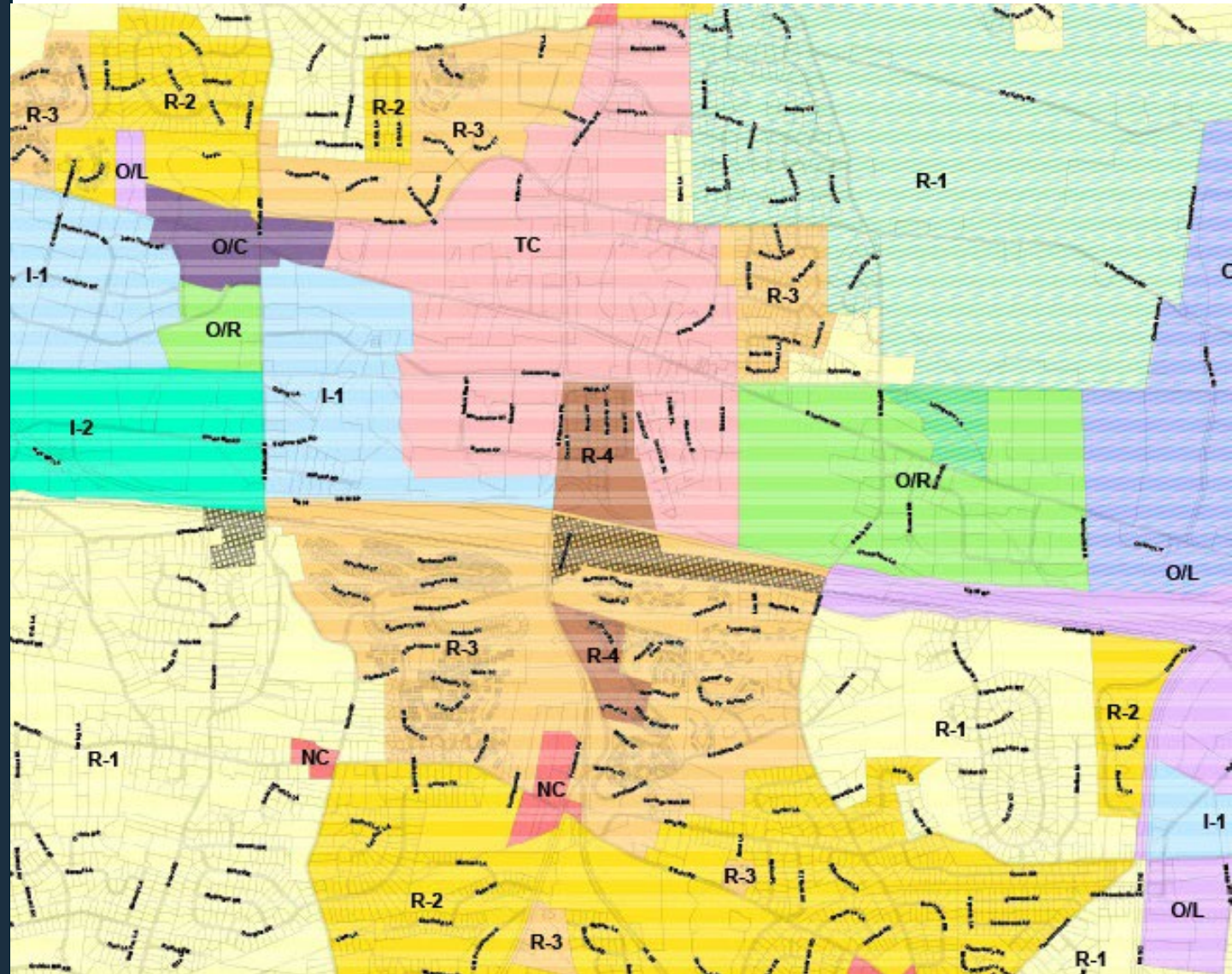


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A comprehensive plan IS NOT zoning

- The comprehensive plan sets the overall future land use vision for the community.
- This vision is utilized to advance amending regulatory controls such as municipal zoning and subdivision ordinances.



Task Force

- **Process is driven by a citizen Task Force consisting of the Planning Commission, BOS representation, and interested members of the public.**
- **Task Force meetings are intended to both drive and provide guidance and feedback on all draft plan materials.**
- **All Task Force meetings are open to the public.**



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Public Participation

- **Public survey open through the end of December 2024.**
- **Stakeholder interviews.**
- **Public Open House in October 2024.**
- **Public meeting in 2025 TBD.**
- **Planning Commission public meeting TBD 2025-26.**
- **Board of Supervisors public hearing TBD 2025-26.**

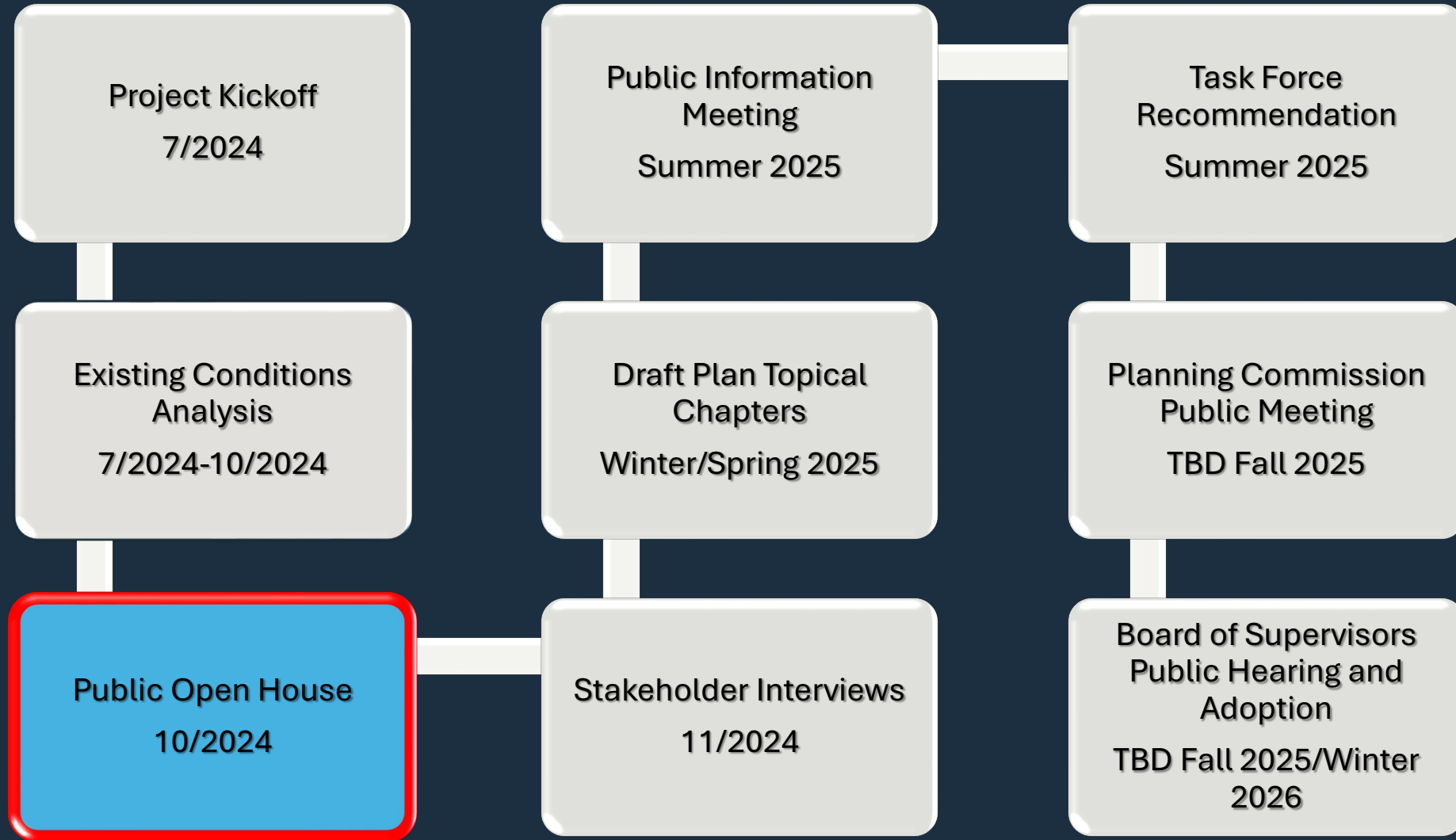
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Process Timeline



Plan Overview

- The plan will be organized as an *implementable* plan around the issues most pressing to the Township, rather than traditional plan elements.
- The final plan will include:
 - Vision
 - Introduction
 - Topical plan chapters
 - Appendices



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Livable and Vibrant

- The focus of this chapter will be on the built environment.
- Specific topics covered in this chapter will include:
 - Future land use
 - Commercial and economic development
 - Housing
 - Historic resources



Sustainable and Resilient

- The focus of this chapter will be on the natural environment and sustainability.
- Specific topics covered in this chapter will include:
 - Flood mitigation
 - Stormwater management
 - Energy sustainability
 - Natural resources
 - Environmental protection



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Safe, Healthy, and Walkable

- The focus of this chapter will be connectivity, transportation, and community facilities.
- Specific topics covered in this chapter will include:
 - Transportation
 - Community services
 - Utilities
 - Parks, recreation, and open space



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Exton Town Center

- The focus of this chapter will be the Exton Crossroads area along Route 100 from the train station to Sunrise Boulevard.
- Will incorporate elements from previous plans and studies of the area.
- Specific topics covered in this chapter will include:
 - Sense of place
 - Targeted redevelopment
 - Improving multi-modal circulation



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Next steps

- **Public survey open through the end of December 2024.**
- **Topical chapter development and Task Force review will commence in early 2025.**
 - **Please check the Township website for Task Force agendas as they become available.**
- **Public Information Meeting TBD in late Summer 2025. The focus of this will be on draft goals and recommendations.**

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