

GUILFORD COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Governmental Coordination Element

Goal #1: Guilford County shall seek to maximize the effective and efficient provision of governmental programs and services by coordinating implementation and delivery efforts internally and with external partners.

Objective 1.1: Enhance intra-agency relationships within Guilford County government to improve the coordination of policies and programs, minimize the duplication of services, and to provide superior customer service to citizens and businesses.

Policy 1.1.1: Coordinate Planning and Environmental Health Department review and approval procedures and regulations to provide consistent, efficient and timely responses to projects serviced by private septic and/or well systems. *[Environmental Health/Planning, On-going]*

Policy 1.1.2: Advocate endorsement and implementation of a single, integrated geographical information system platform (ESRI) for Guilford County applications in conjunction with the Information Services and Tax Departments. *[IS/Tax/Planning, beginning fall 2006]*

Policy 1.1.3: Expand upon the availability and delivery of essential public services provided by Guilford County in conjunction with land use petitions and application presentations. *[Planning Department/Service Providers, winter 2007]* (See Housing objective 2.2)

Policy 1.1.4: Investigate in conjunction with the Guilford County Public Schools collaborative school siting planning and evaluation methods currently utilized in other North Carolina counties. *[Planning staff/School District, initiate winter 2007]* (See Future Land Use policy 1.2.3)

Objective 1.2: Collaborate with Guilford County cities and towns, adjacent jurisdictions, quasi-public and governmental agencies, on issues that affect the County and its citizens, resources, and quality of life.

Policy 1.2.1: Continue to provide sound planning and inspection services to our town partners. *[Planning & Development staff, On-going]*

Policy 1.2.2: Coordinate comprehensive planning efforts with Greensboro, High Point, incorporated towns, and

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neighboring counties to promote thoughtful and complementary land development patterns and policies. *[Planning Department/Partners, On-going]* (See Future Land Use policy 1.4.1)

Policy 1.2.3: Initiate, in concert with identified partners, other non-land use related Comprehensive Plan policies/actions within stated implementation timeframes. *[Planning Department/Partners, per specific policy timeframe]*

Policy 1.2.4: Explore with neighboring Inspections Departments and Community Colleges the opportunity to establish a Triad location (with instructors) to provide local continuing education seminars for inspection staff. *[Inspection Departments, fall 2006]*

Policy 1.2.5: Complement the Airport Authority's (PTIA) planning efforts to minimize impacts on surrounding neighborhoods and promote non-residential growth efforts within the airport noise cone as depicted on the Airport Area Plan, as amended. *[Planning Department, On-going]* (Transportation policy 2.1.3)

Objective 1.3: Guilford County shall continue to actively partner with agencies engaged in issues of regional importance, including land use, transportation, housing, and open space preservation.

Policy 1.3.1: Strengthen involvement in regional transportation planning efforts by participating in the Technical Coordinating Committees of Guilford County's three MPOs (Greensboro MPO, High Point MPO, Burlington-Graham MPO). *[Planning Department, On-going]*

Policy 1.3.2: Establish Staff/PTCOG liaison to coordinate demographic database accessibility through the Department's website and assist with 2010 census requirements. *[Planning Department/PTCOG, fall 2007]*

Policy 1.3.3: Provide policy and technical assistance and staff support for regional land use planning efforts, such as the Heart of the Triad Master Plan. *[Planning Department/ CED/PART, On-going]* (See Transportation policy 2.1.2)

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Policy 1.3.4: Continue to implement the recommendations of the Guilford County Open Space Report. *[CED/Open Space Committee/Piedmont Land Conservancy, On-going]*