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Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital: District Elements Second Amendment Cycle

Citywide Community Workshop #2

October 22, 2016



Welcome!

Washington, DC is growing & changing everyday

Comprehensive Plan: a citywide guidebook to plan for an **Inclusive DC**

- focus—**DC's present & future**
- shapes where **we live, work, shop & play**
- informs **District government investments**
- provides a **framework for development**

DC Office of Planning launched second amendment cycle for Comp Plan

We Need Your Help

What do we want to accomplish?

Make sure Comprehensive Plan:

- is **responsive** to the **city's current & future** needs
- helps to **improve the quality of life** for everyone in DC

Meeting Purpose

- Present an overview of the **District's Comprehensive Plan & the amendment process**
- Provide information on **growth & demographic trends** in the District of Columbia
- Hear **your insights & feedback** on issues & recent changes in your neighborhood & the District
- Talk about how DC can become more **resilient**
- Discuss the **community engagement** process for the Comprehensive Plan Amendment Cycle

Agenda

- **Presentation on Comprehensive Plan & Amendment Cycle** (*9:40am-10:10am*)
- **Open House** (*10:10am-11:10am*)
- **Final Thoughts from the Public** (*11:10am-11:30am*)
- **Next Steps & Closing** (*11:30am*)

We want to hear from you!

Where:

- Open House session
- Final Thoughts from the Public

How:

1. Visit the Open House stations
2. Please write down your insights & ideas in your own words
3. Share during Final Thoughts from the Public
4. Turn in your Worksheets before you leave

Complete worksheets  ***Receive a PlanDC tote bag!***

What if I have questions?

- Refer to presentation—may answer them
- Check out boards for more information
- Ask questions to staff during Open House

*Final Thoughts from the Public will be for comments,
not Q & A*

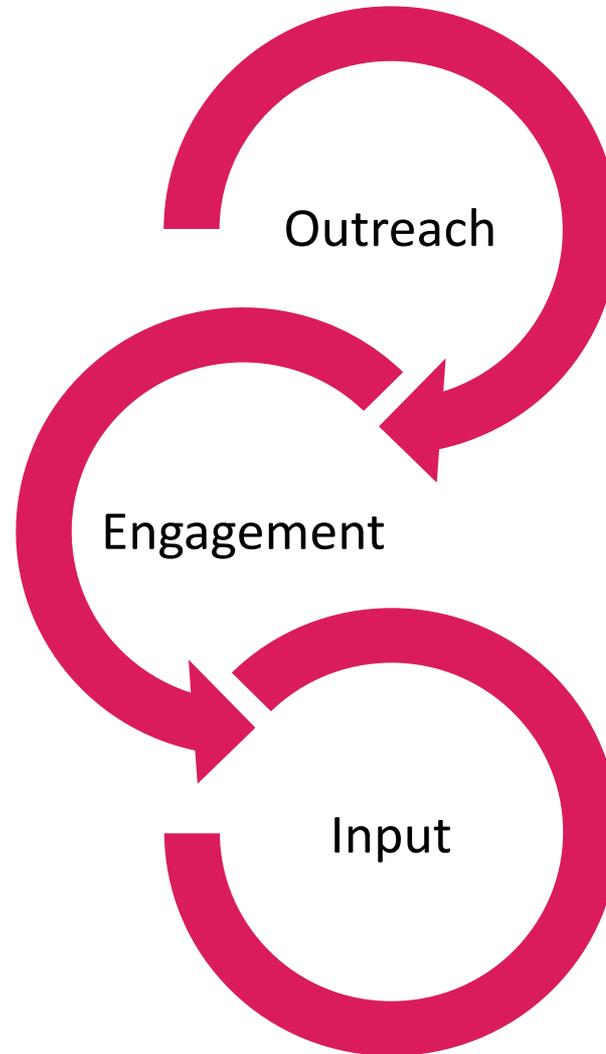
Still have questions?  **Write it on your worksheet**



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Community Engagement Process



Engagement



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- 2 ANC Workshops: **Sept. 29 & Oct. 1**
- **7 [Plan]DC Public Meetings: Oct. 19-Nov. 14**
- Survey (online and paper)
- Key Stakeholder Interviews & Meetings
- Topic-specific Focus Groups: **Fall 2016**
- Office Hours for proposed Comp Plan Amendments: **Early 2017**

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**What is the
Comp Plan?
And why does it
matter?**

We start with a **Vision**

Planning an Inclusive City ¹⁰⁰

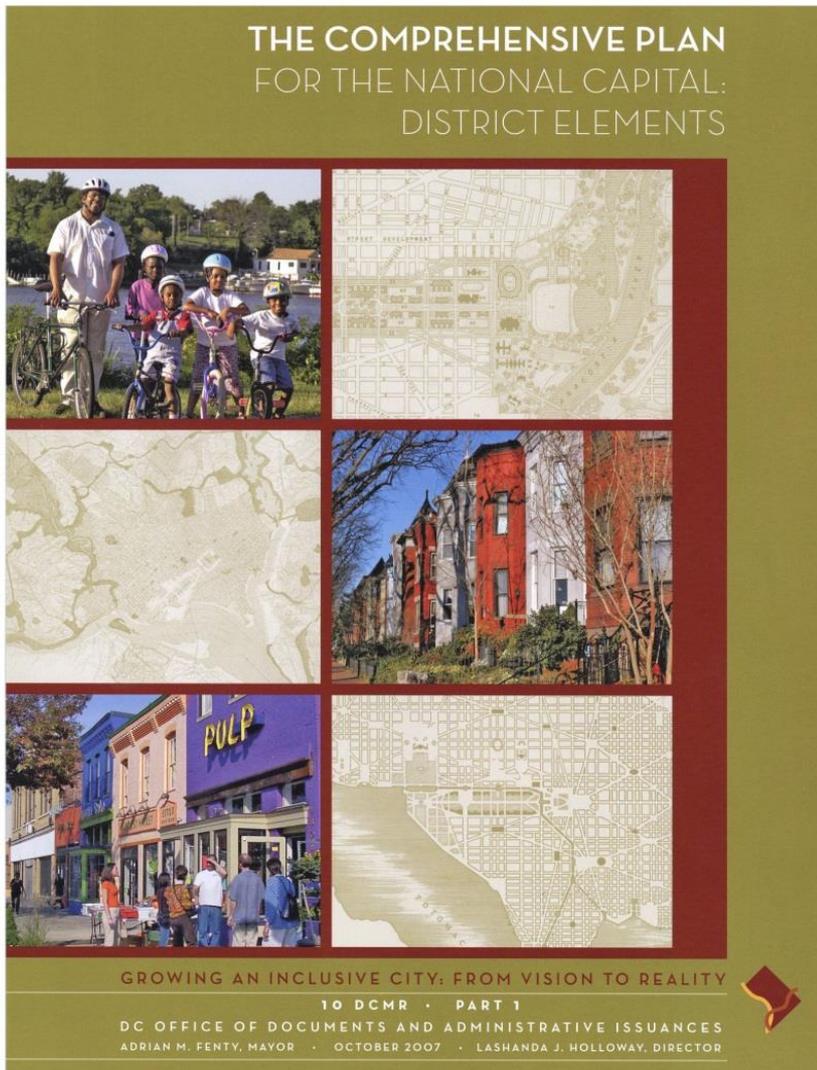
The Vision: Planning an Inclusive City

“Growing inclusively means that individuals and families are not confined to particular economic and geographic boundaries but are able to make important choices – choices about where they live, how and where they earn a living, how they get around the city, and where their children go to school. Growing inclusively also means that every resident can make these choices – regardless of whether they have lived here for generations or moved here last week, and regardless of their race, income, or age.”

- A VISION FOR GROWING AN INCLUSIVE CITY, 2004

From 2006 Comprehensive Plan—District Elements, Introduction, page 1-1

The Comprehensive Plan: District Elements



**20-year vision for
District's
future planning &
development**

adopted as **legislation**
in **2006**

first amended in **2011**

The Comprehensive Plan—policy direction in:

H-1.1 Expanding Housing Supply ⁵⁰²

Expanding the housing supply is a key part of the District's vision to create successful neighborhoods. Along with improved transportation and shopping, better neighborhood schools and parks, preservation of historic resources, and improved design and identity, the production of housing is essential to the future of our neighborhoods. It is also a key to improving the city's fiscal health. The District will work to facilitate housing construction and rehabilitation through its planning, building, and housing programs, recognizing and responding to the needs of all segments of the community. The first step toward meeting this goal is to ensure that an adequate supply of appropriately zoned land is available to meet expected housing needs. ^{501.1}

Policy H-1.1.1: Private Sector Support

Encourage the private sector to provide new housing to meet the needs of present and future District residents at

locations consistent with District land use policies and objectives. ^{501.2}

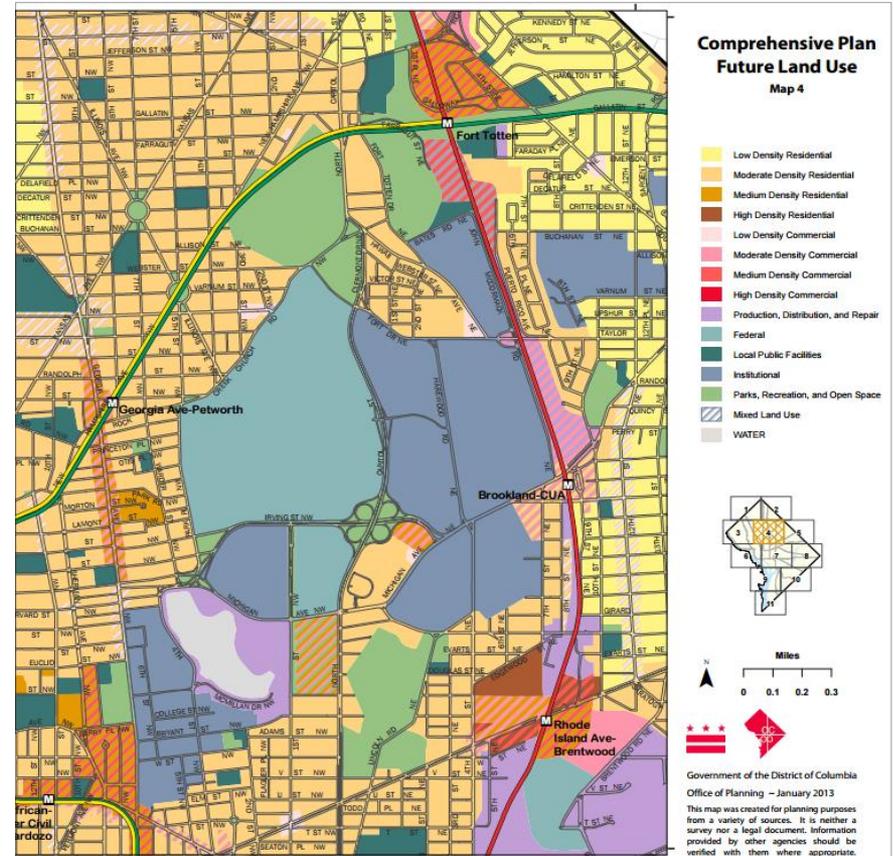
Policy H-1.1.2: Promote Incentives

Provide suitable regulatory, tax, and financing incentives to meet housing production goals. These incentives should continue to include zoning regulations that permit greater building area for commercial projects that include housing than for commercial projects that do not include housing. ^{501.3}

Policy H-1.1.3: Balanced Growth

Strongly encourage the development of new housing on surplus, vacant and underutilized land in all parts of the city. Ensure that a sufficient supply of land is planned and zoned to enable the city to meet its long-term housing needs, including the need for low- and moderate-density single family homes as well as the need for higher-density housing. ^{501.4}

Text



Maps

Who Uses the Comp Plan?

- ANCs & DC Residents
- OP's Neighborhood Planning, Citywide Planning, Development Review & Divisions
- District Agencies
- Developers

Themes of 2006 Comprehensive Plan

1. Managing Growth & Change
2. Creating Successful Neighborhoods
3. Increasing Access to Jobs & Education
4. Connecting the City
5. Building Green & Healthy Communities

Area Elements

Capitol Hill

Central Washington

Far Northeast & Southeast

Far Southeast/Southwest

Lower Anacostia

Waterfront/Near

Southwest

Mid-City

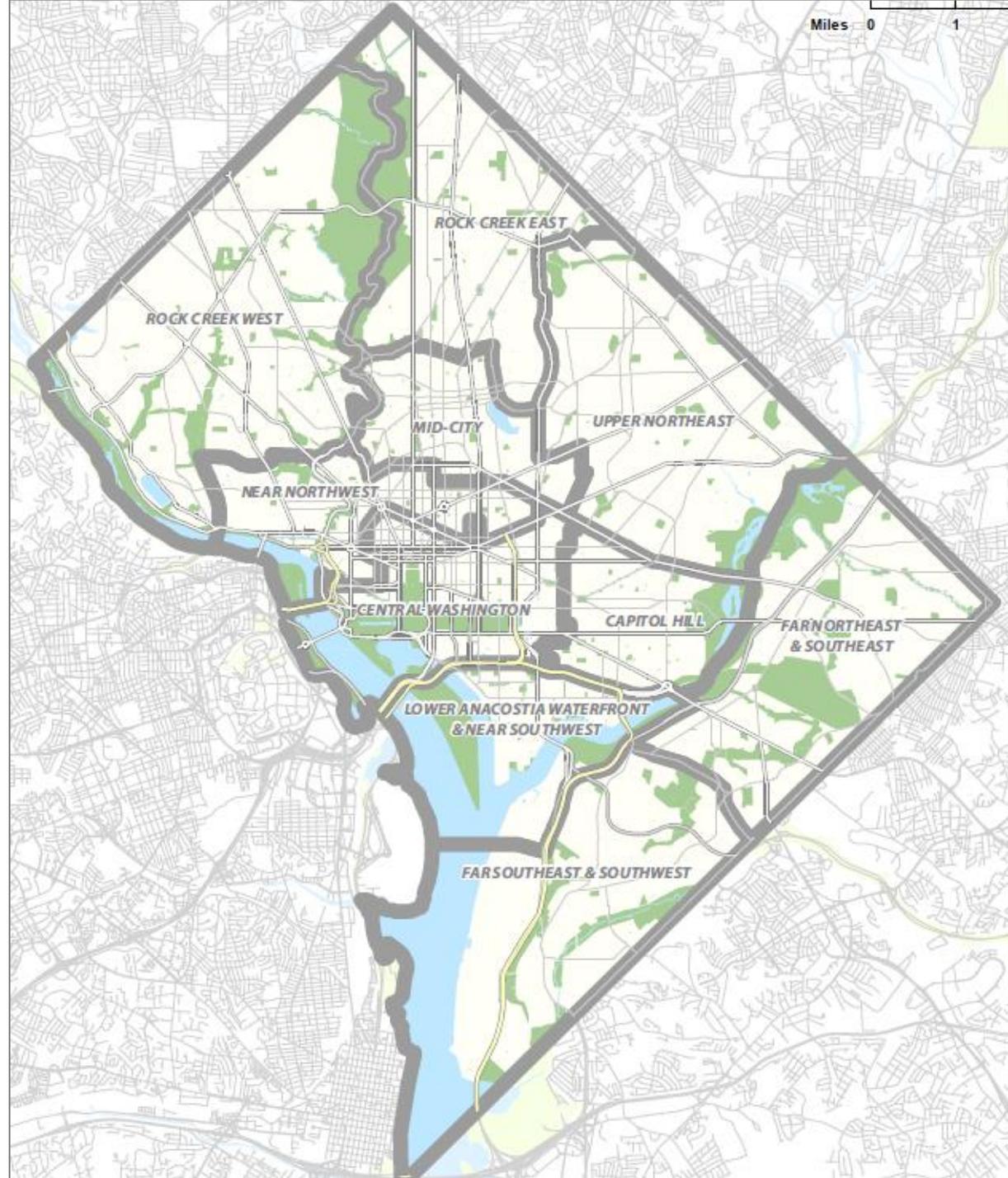
Near Northwest

Rock Creek East

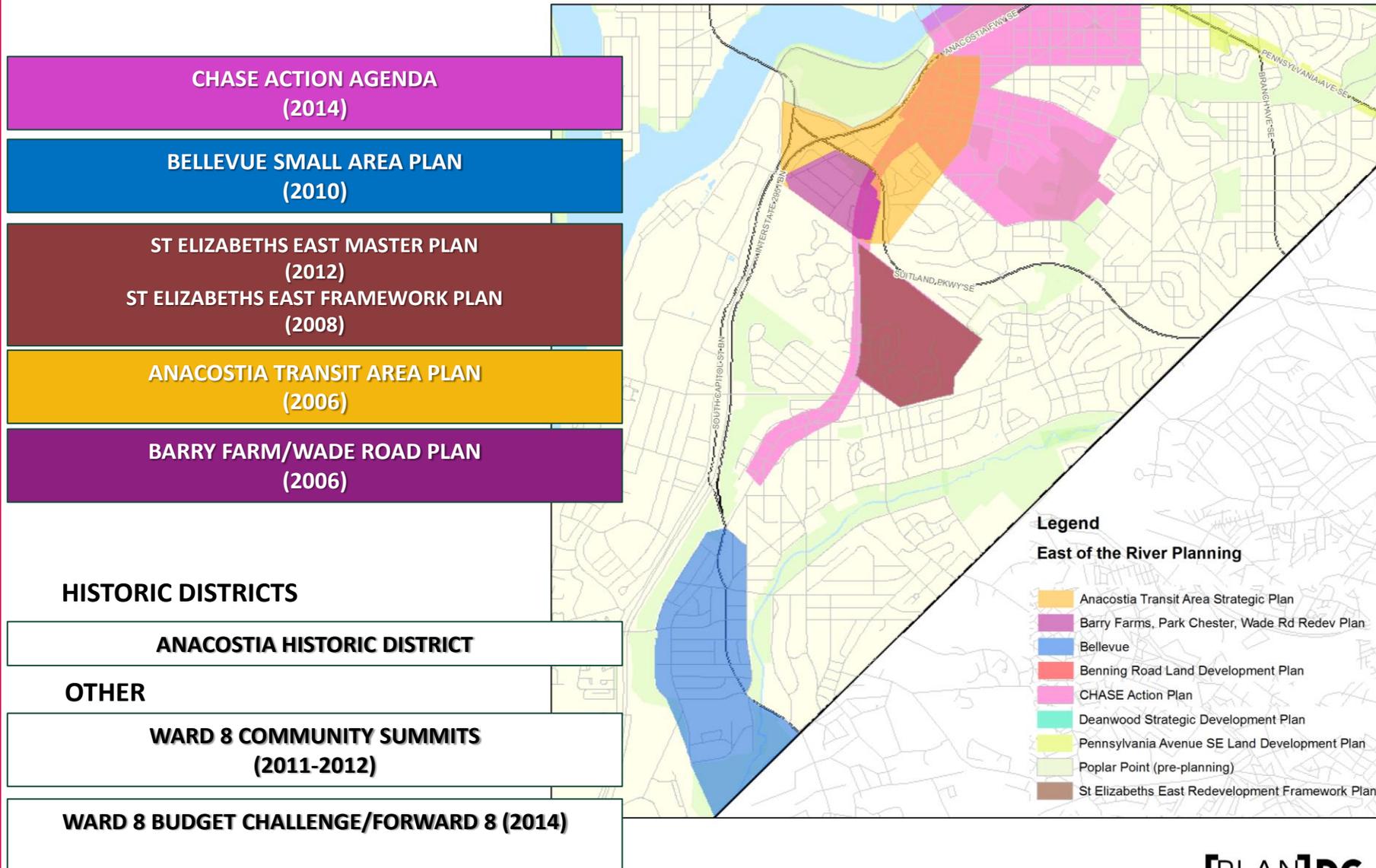
Rock Creek West

Upper Northeast

*Comp Plan does not use
Ward boundaries*



Ward 8 Planning Initiatives



Citywide Elements

Land Use

Economic
Development

Housing

Environmental
Protection

Transportation

Community
Services &
Facilities

Urban Design

Historic
Preservation

Infrastructure

Parks,
Recreation &
Open Space

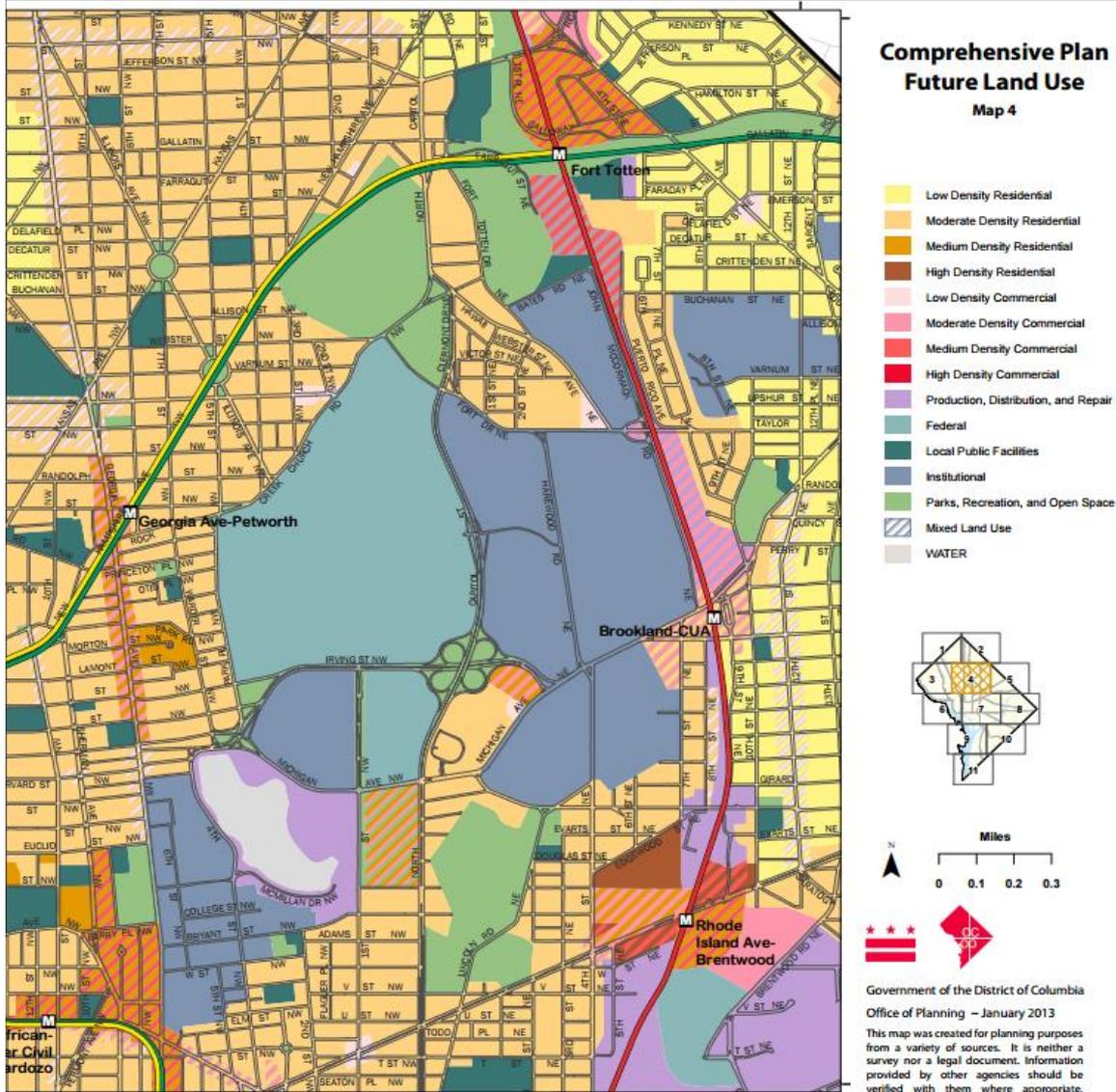
Educational
Facilities

Arts & Culture

Future Land Use Map

Land Use Designations

**Comprehensive Plan
Future Land Use
Map 4**



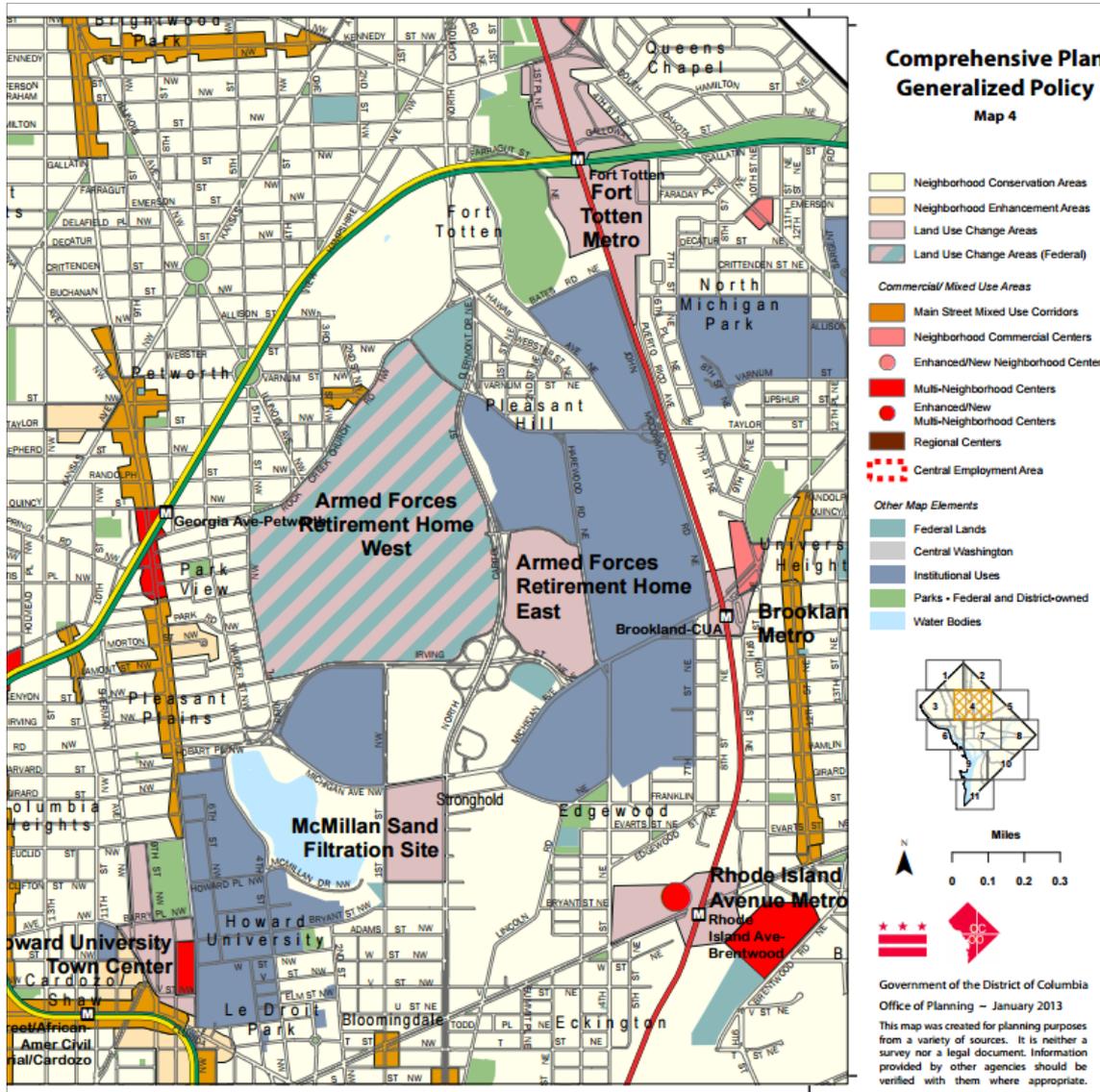
Identifies use & density:

- 4 Residential Categories
- 4 Commercial Categories
- 4 Public & Institutional Categories
- Multiple Mixed Use Categories

Not a zoning map

Government of the District of Columbia
Office of Planning – January 2013
This map was created for planning purposes from a variety of sources. It is neither a survey nor a legal document. Information provided by other agencies should be verified with them where appropriate.

Generalized Policy Map



- Categorizes how different parts of the District may change between 2005 and 2025
- Highlights areas where more detailed policies are necessary

Integration of Comp Plan Elements & Maps

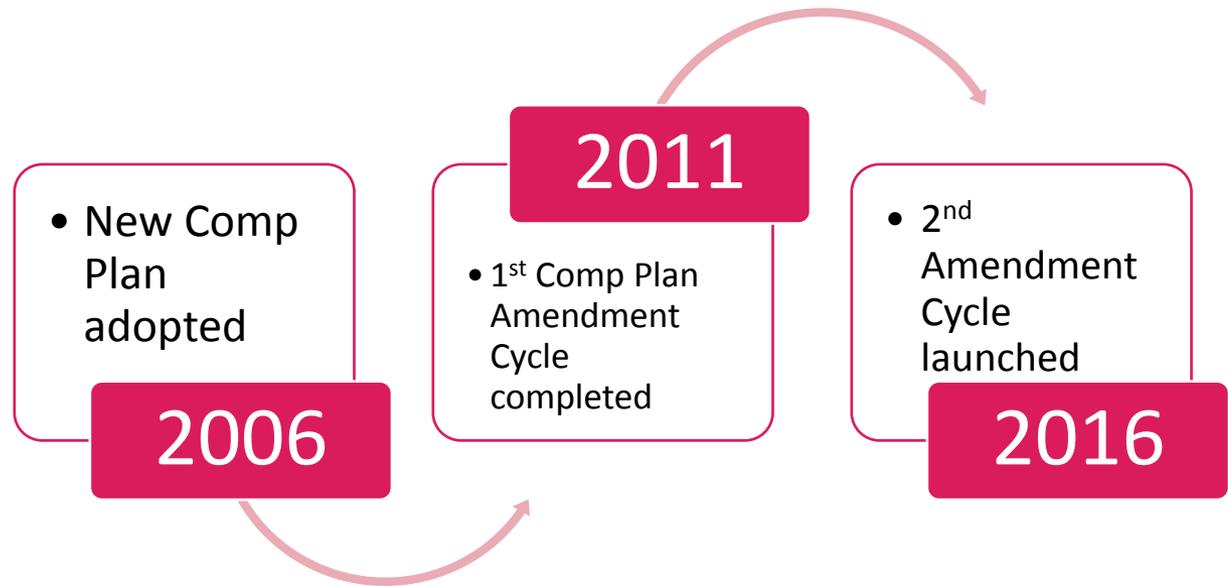
Columbia Heights



Photo credit: CurbedDC

Why amend the Comprehensive Plan?

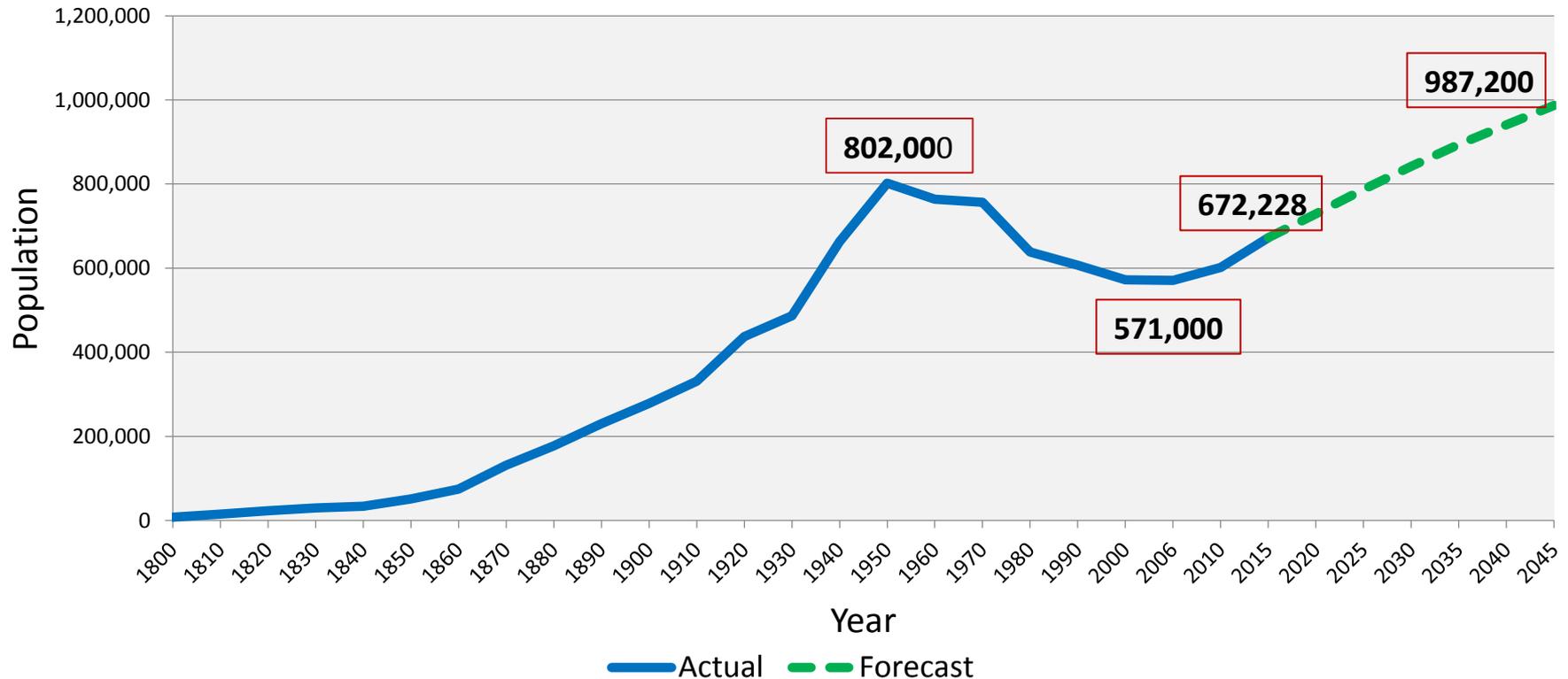
Why amend the Comp Plan?



- ❖ To address accelerated population growth & forecasted growth; demographic, economic & other changes
- ❖ To integrate recently completed OP & other District agency plans
- ❖ To integrate emerging issues into the Comp Plan

DC's population continues to grow

We're projected to have 800,000 residents within 15 years & almost a million by 2045



Source: U.S. Census Bureau Censuses 1800-2010 and Population Estimates 2006 and 2015, and OP Population Forecast 2020-2045

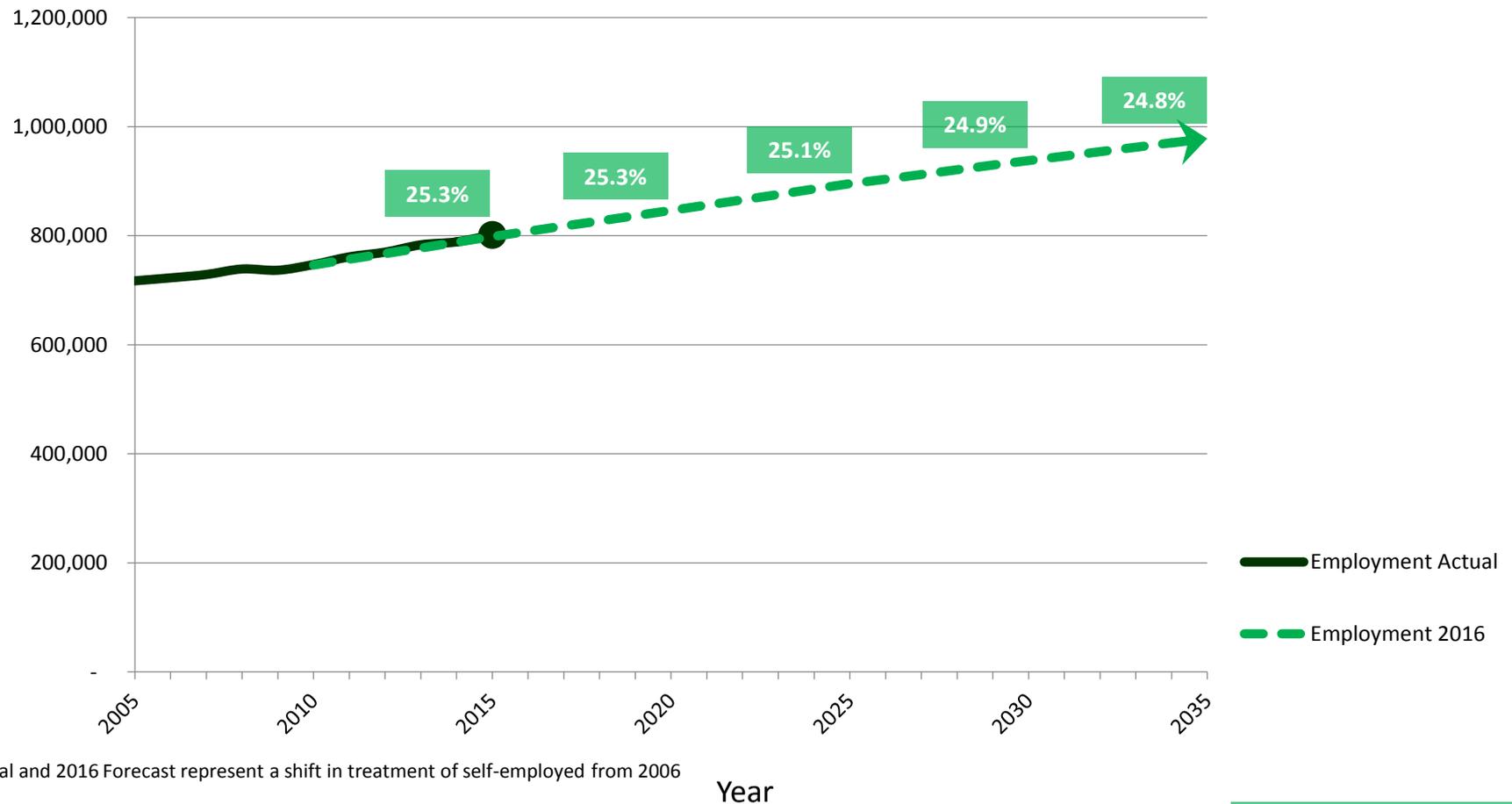
How many of you are native Washingtonians?

How many of you moved to DC after 2006?

How many have new native Washingtonians in your family?

More jobs are coming in the future

DC will continue to create & attract new jobs within the next 20 years

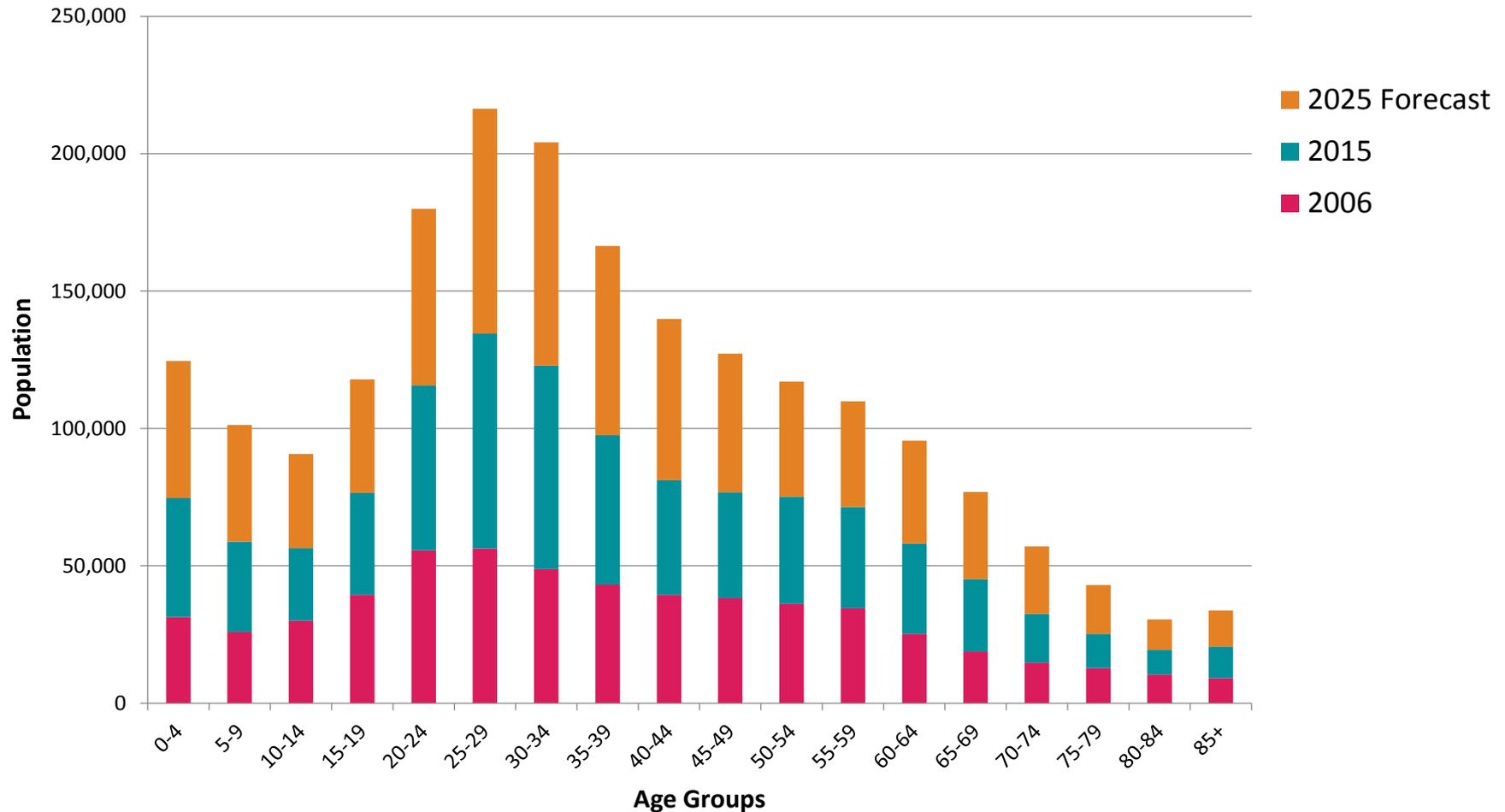


Note: Actual and 2016 Forecast represent a shift in treatment of self-employed from 2006

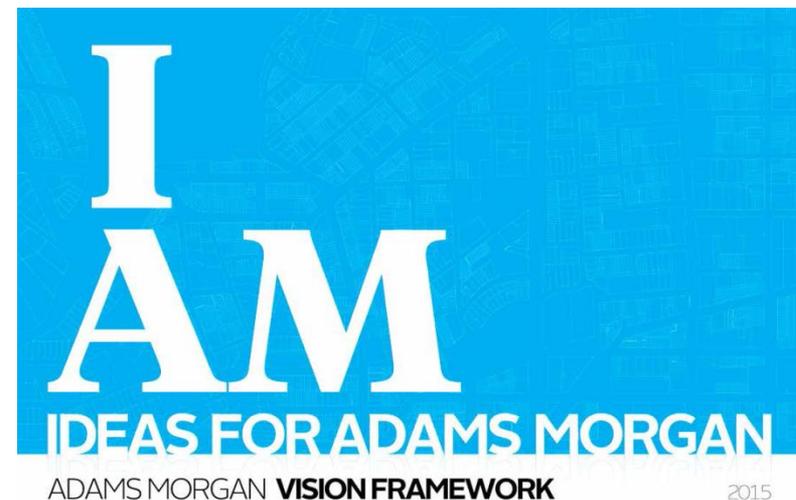
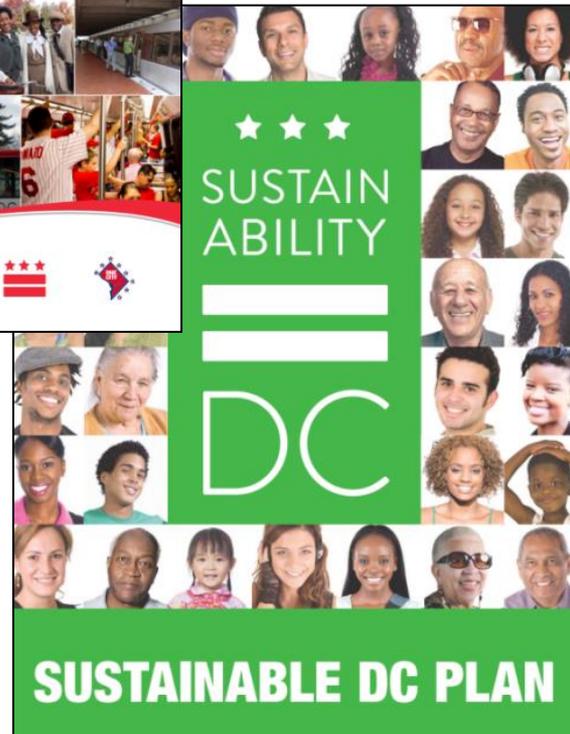
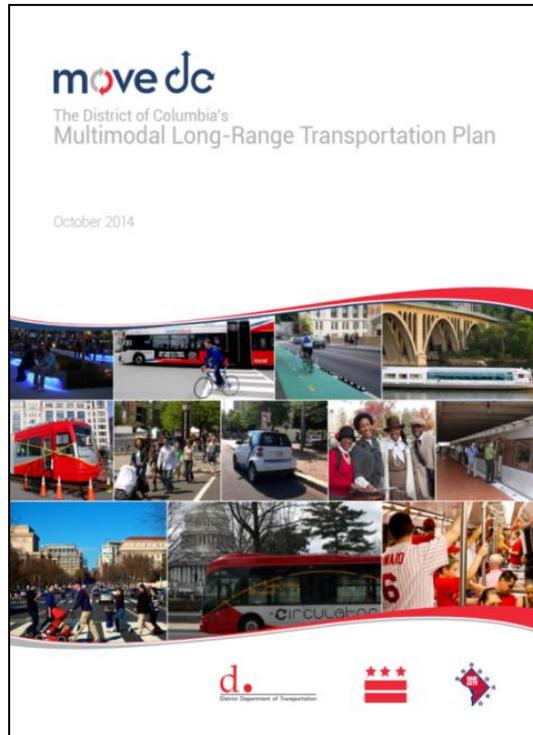
Percent of Regional Job Total

DC's Age Forecast (2025 Population)

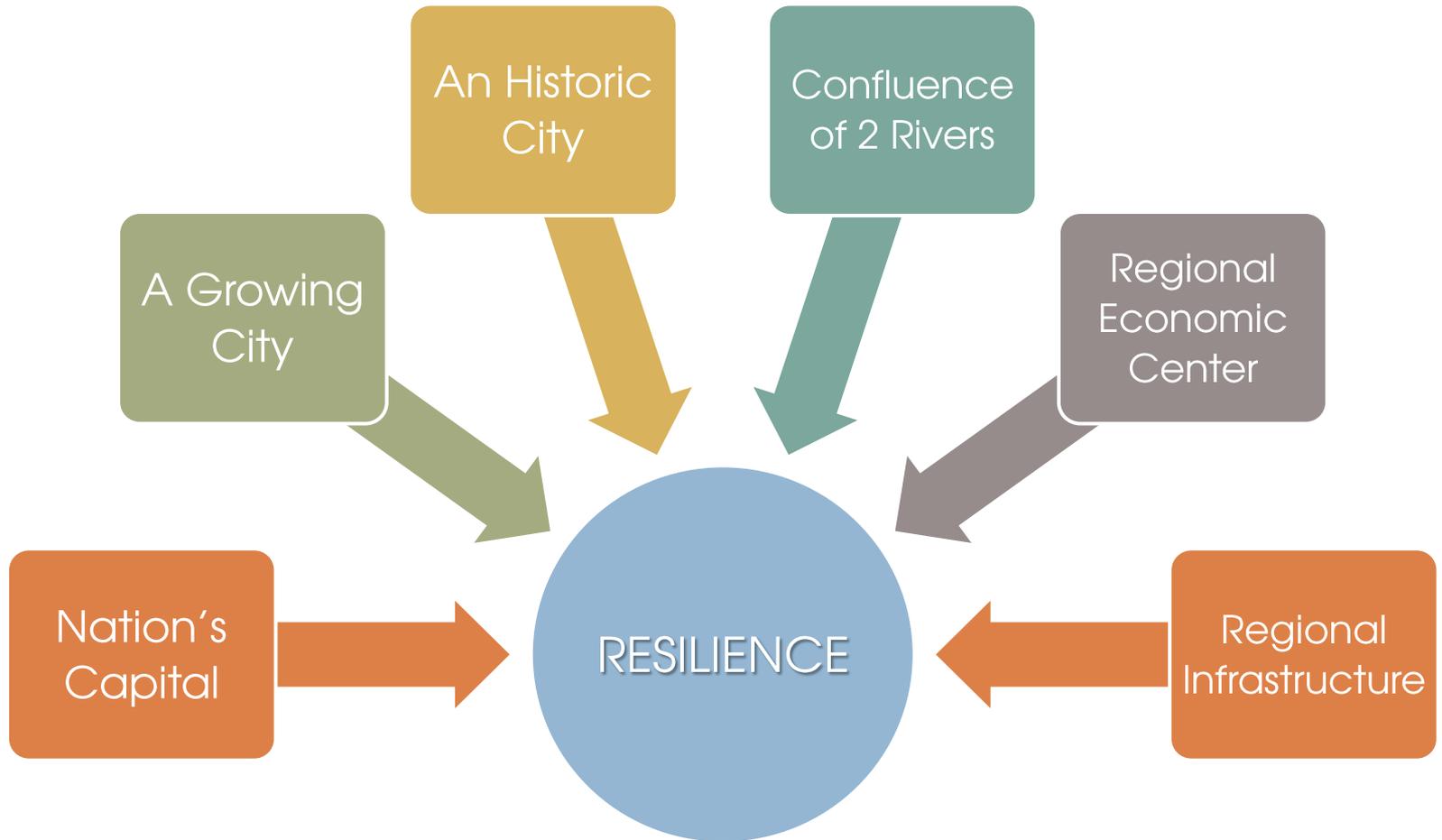
DC's youth population is growing
Millennials are staying & having children
Age 65 & older age group is growing

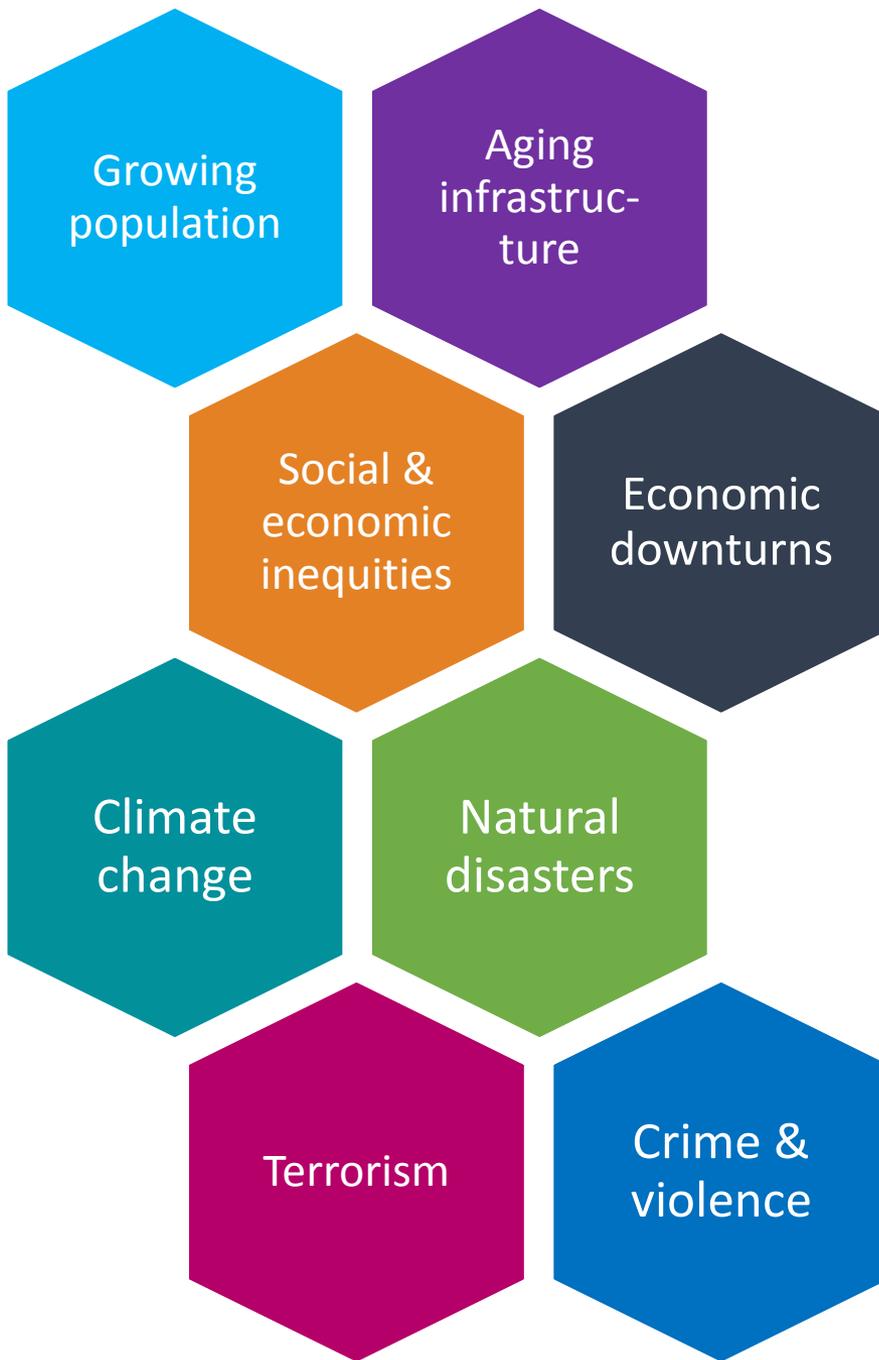


Integrating Recent Plans & Emerging Issues



Resilience: A New Comp Plan Framework





DC's Resilience Challenges:

Shocks & Stresses

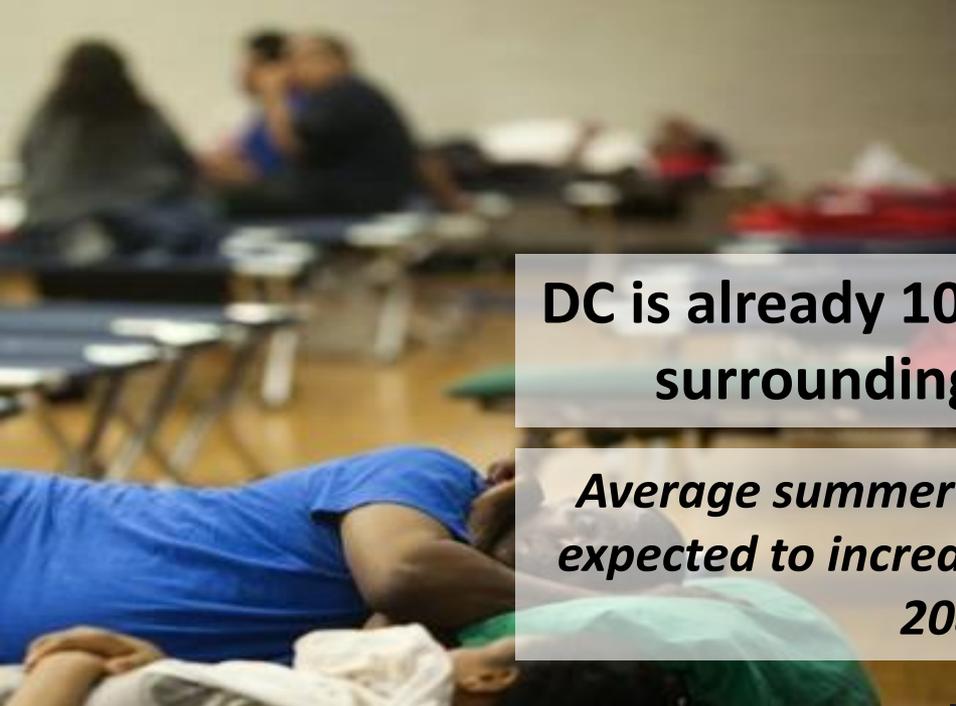
Resilience: Flooding in DC



Federal Triangle, 2006



Bloomingdale, 2012



DC is already 10-15° hotter than surrounding rural areas

Average summer temperatures are expected to increase up to 10° by the 2080s



Extremely hot days will become more frequent

Heat waves will be hotter, longer, & more frequent



Vulnerable Populations

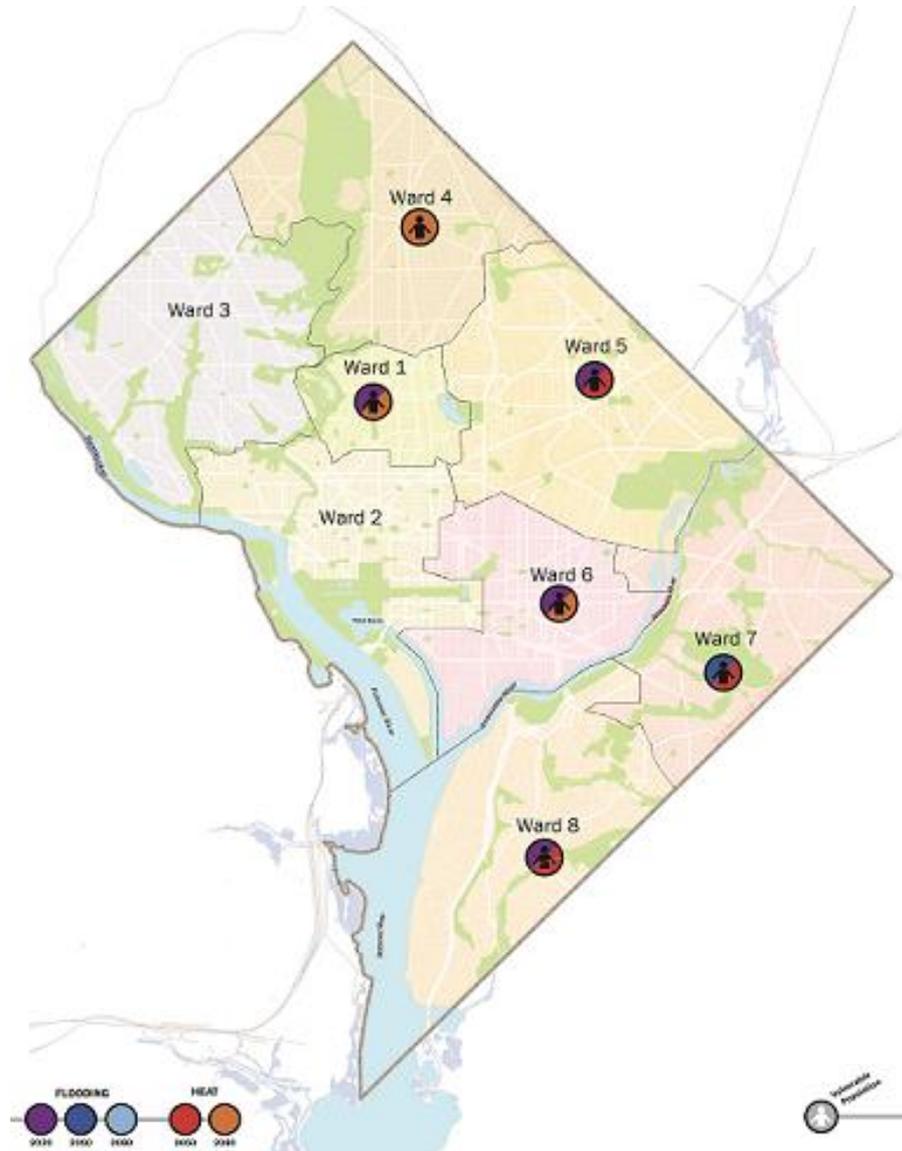
Climate Ready DC

Vulnerability & Risk Assessment

Wards 7 and 8: largest number of residents with a **higher vulnerability to climate change impacts**

especially an increase in extreme heat – due to economic and demographic factors (e.g. income, age, obesity, asthma, etc.)

District Dept of Energy & Environment



What we will produce?

New Resilience Element & amendments to integrate resilience into existing Citywide & Area Elements



Central Washington Area Element
Transportation Element
Infrastructure Element
Economic Development Element



Mid-City Area Element
Infrastructure Element
Economic Development Element

Draft Definition— Resilience for the District

Resilience for the District of Columbia is the capacity of individuals, neighborhoods, institutions, businesses, and systems to thrive in an inclusive manner amidst challenging conditions and to prepare and plan for, absorb, recover from, and more successfully adapt to adverse events.

**How will the Comp
Plan be amended?**

What Will the Comp Plan Amendment Include?

1. We are not creating a new Plan.

- Final Product: **Legislation** to DC Council amending existing Comp Plan

2. Anyone can submit an amendment.

- **OP is not drafting all of the amendments.** *Amendments will come from OP & other District agencies, residents and other stakeholders.*
- Open Call for Amendments launching in early 2017; OP providing technical assistance
- All proposed amendments will be screened based on Evaluation Framework criteria.

How will the Amendment Process work?

Fall 2016:

- **Project kickoff: public engagement; community meetings**
- OP develops draft resilience content
- OP & agencies begin drafting amendments

Early 2017:

- OP launches **Open Call for Proposed Amendments &** releases **Evaluation Framework**
 - *OP & other agencies propose amendments*
 - *Residents, ANCs, property owners & others propose amendments*

Spring 2017:

- OP leads **evaluation of proposed amendments**—using Evaluation Framework criteria

How will the Amendment Process work? (con't)

Spring-Summer 2017:

- OP prepares **Draft Amendment Report**—all proposed amendments with OP's evaluation & recommendation re: Comp Plan suitability

Summer 2017:

- OP releases **Draft Amendment Report for public comment** & holds **public meetings to get feedback**

Fall 2017:

- OP reviews public comments; prepares final amendment legislation & Final Amendment Report

Early to mid 2018:

- OP submits **Comp Plan amendment legislation** to DC Council
 - **DC Council holds public hearings**
 - DC Council & federal approvals

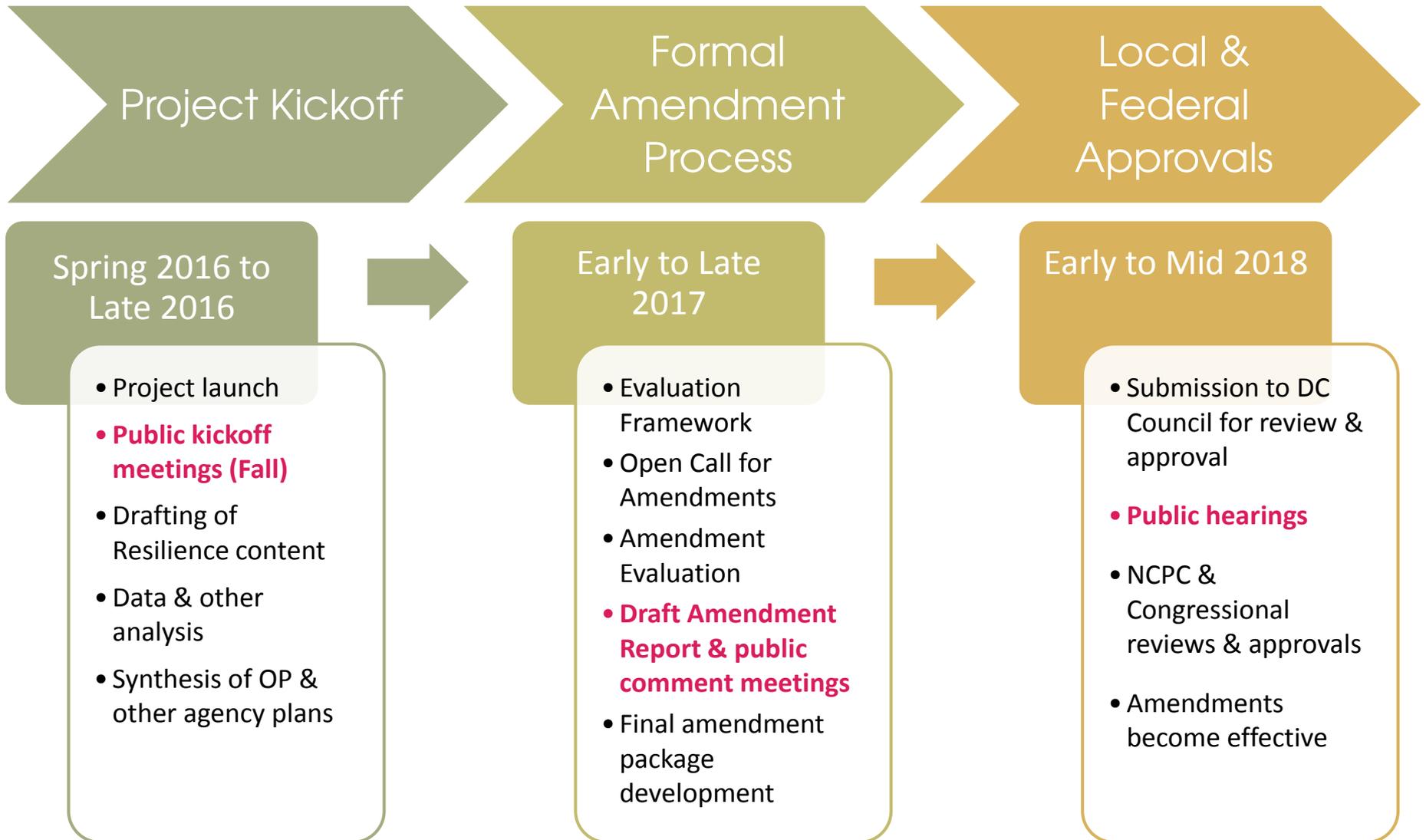
What amendments will OP develop?

- Updating **Framework Element** (*narrative & data about DC; growth forecasts*)
- Incorporating policies & other key content from **recently completed Small Area Plans, Vision Frameworks & other OP plans**
- Writing **Resilience Element** and amendments to integrate resilience into existing Elements—with other agencies
- Drafting amendments based on **technical analysis & public input** at Community Meetings

Integrating Recently Completed Plans: *Examples*

Plan/Study	Element	Status	Agency
Southwest Neighborhood Plan	Lower Anacostia Waterfront/Near SW Area Element	Approved by DC Council-2015	Office of Planning
moveDC	Transportation Element & new Resilience Element	Completed 2014	District Dept of Transportation
Sustainable DC	Environmental Protection Element & new Resilience Element	Completed 2013	Dept of Energy & Environment & other agencies
Consolidated Plan for Housing & Community Dev	Housing Element & new Resilience Element	Completed 2016	Dept of Housing & Community Development
Climate Ready DC	Environmental Protection Element & New Resilience Element	Draft released in 2016	Dept of Energy & Environment

Comp Plan Amendment Timeline



**We want to hear from
you!**

Purpose of Open House

Provide additional information—Area Elements, Citywide Elements & growth & development in DC & resilience

Capture your comments & insights in your own words on questions related to:

- your area/neighborhood
- topics in the Comp Plan
- Resilience

Answer your questions or capture questions for post-meeting follow up

Open House

**Talk to staff
&
write down your
ideas & insights**

Stations:

Area Elements

Citywide Elements

Growth & Development

Resilience

Ask a Director

Ask a Planner

Your Role During Open House

1. Visit multiple stations

- Review Boards—lots of information
- *Additional handouts available at Area Elements station*

2. Write down your insights & ideas in your own words

- Fill out Post-It notes & place on Comment Boards
- Complete your worksheets

Staff are available at each station to listen & answer questions

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Final Thoughts from the Public

What is your top thought about DC's future?

Each responder has 30 seconds

Share a new thought or build on thoughts shared by others

You can also:

Answer this question on your worksheet

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Next Steps & Closing

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