

Chapter 13

IMPLEMENTATION

This section will set forth the documents that will contribute to the implementation of the Comprehensive Plan. Those documents are:

- Zoning Ordinance
- Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance
- Capital Improvements Program
- Public Facilities Manual
- Town Code
- Annexation Agreement
- Action Plan

Each of these documents and their role in the implementation process are discussed below.

Zoning Ordinance

A major element and perhaps the most significant is the Round Hill Zoning Ordinance as it prescribes the intensity of any given use of land for specific parcels and or large land areas. This is done through the application of density control as well as regulations that control heights and setbacks which in effect control the amount of coverage that may occur on a parcel of land.

The zoning categories have a direct relationship to the densities and land use designations shown in the Round Hill Comprehensive Plan. The zoning map which accompanies the Zoning Ordinance reflects the land use and intensity of that use that is designated on the Comprehensive Plan.

Subdivision & Land Development Ordinance (SLDO)

The SLDO sets forth the criteria for the design and implementation of all land development activities and site plans. Included are standards for street design, utility design, the provision of easements for utility maintenance and storm drainage easements for the conveyance of storm waters. These regulations also provide for the allocation of open space in an efficient manner. Bonding requirements for public improvements are also included in these regulations as well.

Capital Improvements Program

This is a five-year capital facilities budget that projects public fund expenditures to expand infrastructure in an orderly and efficient manner and is a tool to direct and accommodate

future growth where indicated by the Comprehensive Plan. This is the most important tool for determining future growth and where public facilities will help it to occur.

Public Facilities Manual

A Public Facilities Manual is a compilation of standards and criteria for all public facility design. These standards include street design, sidewalk design, utility design and a host of provisions necessary for the administration of a municipal or county corporation.

Town Code

The Town Code is a composite of all ordinances and regulations that comprise the elements necessary to manage and administer a municipality. The primary objective of these elements, whether it relates to standards concerning public safety, the management of public resources or the collection of taxes to support governmental activities, is to benefit and promote the health, safety and welfare of the town.

Annexation Agreement

An Annexation Agreement between the Town and Loudoun County creates a process for reviewing and approving the Plan for the Urban Growth Area and establishes the tools to implement the Plan. Such an agreement must be reviewed by the Commission on Local Government and approved by the Circuit Court.

Action Plan

The Round Hill Comprehensive Plan is the foundation of the Town of Round Hill Action Plan. This comprehensive plan sets a vision for how the community will grow and develop over the next 20 years. The Town of Round Hill Action Plan prioritizes how to move the community's vision forward. It will act as the Town "to-do list" by allowing the Town to track its progress and report the results. It will also provide opportunities for Boards, Committees, and Commissions, as well as residents, businesses and volunteers to get involved in achieving the community's shared vision.

The Town Council will adopt a revised Action Plan at its first regular meeting each calendar year. It will outline majority of the strategies of this comprehensive plan paired with target dates for completion or categories (short term, long term, ongoing, completed or study period). The timing of adoption of the revised Town Action Plan coincides with the annual "kick-off" of the Town budget season.

At the end of each calendar year the Town will report to the community on the progress toward achieving the Town vision, accomplishing goals and completing strategies found in the Round Hill Comprehensive Plan. This report will be used to update the Action Plan to ensure the Town is continuing to focus on priority actions.