

# KEY ISSUES, NEEDS, & IDEAS

## PROJECT DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS

The topics below relate to Design & Construction Standards and represent key themes identified through the public engagement process and technical analysis thus far. These themes will be translated into more detailed issues, needs, and ideas for the Unified Development Code Update.

**ACTIVITY:** Place a sticker by the topics/themes you agree or disagree with:

- **Strongly Agree:** Use GREEN sticker
- **Somewhat Agree:** Use YELLOW sticker
- **Disagree:** Use RED sticker

To leave a comment: Use a sticky note to add your comment and stick it near the topic it addresses. You can also fill out a comment form and leave it on the table.

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### ROADS

- Consider curb and gutter design for certain types of development (vs. roadside drainage swales & driveway pipes) ●●●●●●●●
- Improve construction standards to maintain road quality ●●●●
- Consider requirements for acceleration/deceleration lanes for new subdivision development to minimize impact to existing roads and improve safety ●●●●●
- Increase maximum length allowance for dead-end streets/cul-de-sacs ●●●●
- Evaluate requirements for number of entrances to a new subdivision ●●●●●
- Consider provisions for private easement roads that may be shared ●●●●●
- Encourage internal road connectivity within subdivisions and to external road network ●●●●●

Parking lots should be paved not gravel

2000 FEET OR MORE

### WATER & SEWER UTILITIES

- County should limit and carefully manage any sewer expansion ●●●●●
- Require water/sewer infrastructure to be considered in early stages of new development ●●●●●
- Long range planning for water/sewer and other utilities must be coordinated with new development to ensure adequate capacity is accommodated ●●●●●
- Consider requirement for water lines in new developments to be looped to minimize health and safety issues associated with "dead-end" water lines ●●●●●

PLAN FOR EXPANSION OF WATER & SEWER SYSTEM THROUGHOUT SECTIONS OF THE COUNTY WHERE DEVELOPMENT IS LIKELY IN THE NEXT 20 YEARS.

### BUFFERS & TREE PRESERVATION

- Require buffers, greenbelts, or similar standards around more dense development (subdivisions, planned unit development) ●●●●
- Consider landscaping requirements, buffer requirements, and/or tree preservation requirements for new residential development ●●●●●
- Use County codes to promote retaining existing wooded areas and to minimize clear cutting in new development ●●●●●●●●
- Require natural, vegetated buffers along roadways to screen development from public right-of-way ●●●●●