

Status report from Planning Department – month of July 2026

Comprehensive Plan Update - ARC held a public information meeting June 23 in the evening at 5380 Studio. Approximately 30 City residents attended the information session.

The schedule for the 2026 Comprehensive Plan approval is:

- July 24 – Report delivered to City Manager
- August 18 – Distribute draft plan to Steering Committee (SC) and City Council
- August 25 - Comments due back to ARC from SC and City Council
- September 2 – Upload final plan to DCA website
- October 20 – City Council adoption of 2026 Comprehensive Plan

Historical Survey - In June, a historical resources survey of every property in the historic district was conducted. At least 2 pictures were taken along with data on the condition of the properties. A report is being compiled by the survey team at UGA and will be available in late summer.

Short term rentals – There is much interest in Short term rentals (STR) in the residential districts. Our regulations are being refined and definitions added.

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- Zoning verification letters - 8 verifications
- Tree Removal – 1 permit approved
- COA - 10 applications received
- Signs for public notification of Planning Commission and Historic Preservation Commission meetings have been redesigned and ordered.