# Parking Reimagined

Off-Street Parking and Loading Regulations







# Agenda

- Background
- Activities to Date
- Goals
- Conceptual Project Framework
- Next Steps
- Commission Feedback



## **Activities to Date**

- Municipality discussions
- Community engagement
- Research and analysis
- Stakeholder and work group meetings
- Meetings with county agencies



## **Project Goals**

- Outreach and community engagement
- Incorporate current experience and innovations
- Analyze best practices
- Streamline review and approval

# **Outreach and Community Engagement**

- Positive feedback on the need to review parking requirements
- Walkability is an important factor
- One-size-fits-all approach is not appropriate for Fairfax County
- Relationship between development intensity, transit service, and parking demand is important
- More data is desired on parking trends

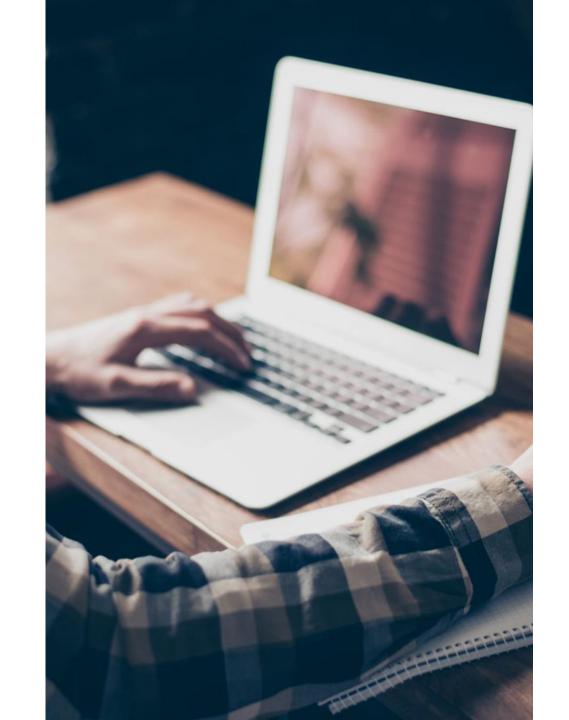


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# **Current Experience and Innovation**

## Fair Oaks Mall Now



## Fair Oaks Mall Future



Source: Taubman Company LLC

# **Analyze Best Practices**

- Consolidate requirements for similar uses
- Base parking rates on building square footage vs employees
- Update parking rates for certain uses
- Apply a single rate for mixed uses in office/industrial building

# Streamline Review and Approval

- Explore modifications to better accommodate changes in uses
- Examine tabulation requirements
- Review processes for parking reductions
- Examine opportunities for automatic reductions



## **Peer Review**

- Relationship of multimodal i.e. carshare, bikeshare (Montgomery County)
- Basing requirements on proximity to transit (Somerville, MA)
- Maximum parking requirements in certain districts (Somerville, MA)
- Publicly available parking (Montgomery County)

# **Conceptual Framework**

#### Tier 1

- Example: Low density/intensity areas (single family and low intensity commercial areas)
- Most of the county would likely fall under this tier
- Simplify and correct rates
- Permit modest reductions in transit areas





## **Conceptual Framework**

#### Tier 2

- Example: Medium density/intensity uses (Fairfax Corner)
- Allow reductions in non-transit areas
- Significantly reduced minimum requirements in transit areas
- Maximums for most uses in transit areas





## **Conceptual Framework**

### Tier 3

- Example: High Density/Intensity Development (Tysons)
- Limited minimum parking requirements
- Maximum parking requirements for most uses



## **Project Timeline**

October 2021

Presentation to BOS/PC joint meeting

|Fall 2021

Municipality discussions

**Early 2022** 

Staff evaluation of research, analysis, and options

Spring/Summer 2022

Community engagement on draft proposal

Fall/Winter 2021-22

Supervisor district town halls, creation of work group, internal stakeholder meetings.

Winter/Spring 2022

Development and presentation of parking framework

Fall/Winter 2022-23

Public hearings

# **Next Steps**

- Continue engagement with community and focus groups
- Further refine the conceptual framework
- Prepare draft framework and engage stakeholders including the Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission, industry and community





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