

Maryland Planning Commissioners Association 2022 Conference
October 25 - 26, 2022, Preliminary Program **(SUBJECT TO CHANGE)**
Clarion Inn, Frederick

The MPCA will secure AICP Credits for most sessions

Tuesday, October 25

7:30 am Registration Begins

9 - 12 pm Concurrent Sessions

A Planning Commissioners Training Course (Maryland Department of Planning)
9 am - 12 pm

B Open Meetings Act Training (Academy of Excellence)
9 am - 11 am

12 pm Lunch

1:00 pm Check in and Networking

1:30 pm **Frederick County Planning Overview**

2:00 pm **Frederick City Planning Overview**

3 - 5 pm Frederick City Staff Led Tour (Details TBD)

7 pm **Dinner & Welcome Reception**

Wednesday, October 26

7:30 am Registration Begins

8:30 am Breakfast

9:00 am **Conference Opening**
Mayor, City of Frederick, Michael O'Connor

9:30 am Plenary Session
30 Yrs of Planning in Maryland: What Have we Learned
Joseph Rutter, Former Planning Director, Howard and Anne Arundel Counties
Steve Zeigler, Planning Director, Anne Arundel, former Planning Director, Frederick and Harford Counties and Community Planning Chief for Prince George's
Valdis Lazdins, Former Planning Director, Howard County, Research Chief Montgomery County, currently Assistant Secretary, Maryland Department of Planning
Pete Gutwald, Former Planning Director, Harford County, Baltimore County, and Annapolis
Uri Avin, Former Planning Director Howard and Deputy Director Harford and Baltimore Counties, and statewide consultant

11:00 am Break

11:10 am Concurrent Sessions (State Agencies and Climate Change)

A New Water Resources Planning Guidance: Integrating Climate Change

Matthew Rowe, Assistant Director, Water and Science Administration, Maryland Department of the Environment

Jim George, Policy Advisor, Water and Science Administration, Maryland Department of the Environment

Jason Dubow, Manager, Resource Conservation & Management Unit, Maryland Department of Planning

B Transportation Planning: Supporting Federal and State Climate Action Strategies While Achieving MDOT's Mission

R. Earl Lewis, Jr., Deputy Secretary for Policy, Planning and Enterprise Services, Maryland Department of Transportation

Sandy Hertz, Director, Office of Climate Change Resilience and Adaptation, Maryland Department of Transportation

Heather Murphy, Director, Office of Planning and Capital Programming, Maryland Department of Transportation

Water and Science Administration, Maryland Department of the Environment, TBD

12:00 pm Conference Addresses

County Executive, Frederick County, Jan Gardner
Secretary, Maryland Department of Planning, Robert McCord

12:45 pm Lunch

Keynote Speaker, TBD
Citizen Planner Recognitions

1:30 pm MPCA Annual Meeting

Elections
MPCA Initiatives

2:00 pm Plenary Session

Planning Commissions and Comprehensive Plan Consistency

Planning Commissioner, TBD

Attorney, TBD

Planning Officer, TBD

Municipal Planner, TBD

State Planner, TBD

3:30 pm Break

3:40 pm Concurrent Sessions

A The Community Challenge of Emptying and Empty Houses of Worship

Rick Reinhard, Principal, Niagara Consulting Group

Dr. J. Howard Kucher, Associate Professor of Social Innovation, University of Maryland at Baltimore

B Citizen Planners Role in Planning for Housing over the next 20 years

Gary Mauler, Jessup Improvement Association, Growth Action Network

Kate Fox, Growth Action Network

Affordable Housing Advocate, TBD

5:00 pm Conference Adjourns