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**TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING-COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PUBLIC
HEARING SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2019**

PURCELLVILLE, Va. February 6, 2019 — The Purcellville Town Council will hold a Special Meeting/Public Hearing on Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at 7:00 PM at Town Hall for the purpose of receiving comments on the “Plan Purcellville” 2018 Comprehensive Plan (the “2018 Plan”).

The Town’s Comprehensive Plan is a plan adopted by the Town Council after receiving recommendations from the Town Planning Commission. The Town’s Comprehensive Plan functions to establish a vision and direction for Purcellville’s future, guide zoning designations and land development within the Town limits, and guide the Town Council in its adoption of public policy. The 2018 Plan would wholly replace the Town’s most recently adopted Comprehensive Plan, which was last adopted in 2006. The 2018 Plan is a wholesale amendment of the 2006 Comprehensive Plan, including amendments to the document structure, as well as considerable changes to the text, policies, maps and figures.

The Town’s goals, as set forth in the 2018 Plan, are to: support land use and development that complements Purcellville’s small town charm; manage development so that the Town’s services and infrastructure are not overwhelmed; protect the Town’s ability to phase any growth with the availability of Town services; protect and enhance the aesthetics and viability of the downtown area; preserve existing neighborhoods through appropriate infill and property improvement; adopt cooperative County and Town plans to provide policy framework for rural preservation; and leverage open space, conservation easements and land trusts as preservation tools. Growth and development should pursue highest levels of environmental sustainability.

The Planning Commission held a Public Hearing on the Town of Purcellville Comprehensive Plan Update on Thursday, July 19, 2018, and forwarded the Comprehensive Plan Update to the Town Council by resolution dated December 20, 2018.

The Public Hearing of the Town Council is scheduled for:

**Wednesday, February 20, 2019, 7:00 PM
Town Hall, 221 S. Nursery Avenue, Purcellville, VA 20132**

Community members are strongly encouraged to attend and provide comments on the Plan.

More information is available on the Plan Purcellville Comprehensive Plan Update website (<http://planpurcellville.com/>) and on the Town of Purcellville’s Comprehensive Planning Page (<https://www.purcellvilleva.gov/593/Comprehensive-Planning>). Any questions about the Plan Update effort may be directed to Andy Conlon, Senior Planner.

The Town of Purcellville, Virginia

Purcellville is an award-winning town of over 9,000 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 40 miles west of Washington, DC. Having received the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities, Purcellville continues to be honored for its green initiatives with most recently being the Tree City USA recipient for the 10th year. The Town was reaffirmed as a AAA rated community by S&P Global Ratings, the highest credit rating possible, and is recognized as one of the safest towns in Virginia. Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, Purcellville has maintained its historic old-town feel through the restoration and maintenance of its many downtown structures, reflecting the Victorian architecture popular during the early 1900s. Today, Purcellville is the economic hub of western Loudoun County and a popular weekend destination for antiquing, entertainment, farmer's markets, wineries, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. More info at www.purcellvilleva.gov.

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