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Comprehensive Plan Update

Public Kick-off Meeting

May 10, 2016

Agenda

- Welcome
- Introductions
- Planning 101: The Comprehensive Plan
- Planning Process
- How to Participate

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Planning 101

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The Comprehensive Plan

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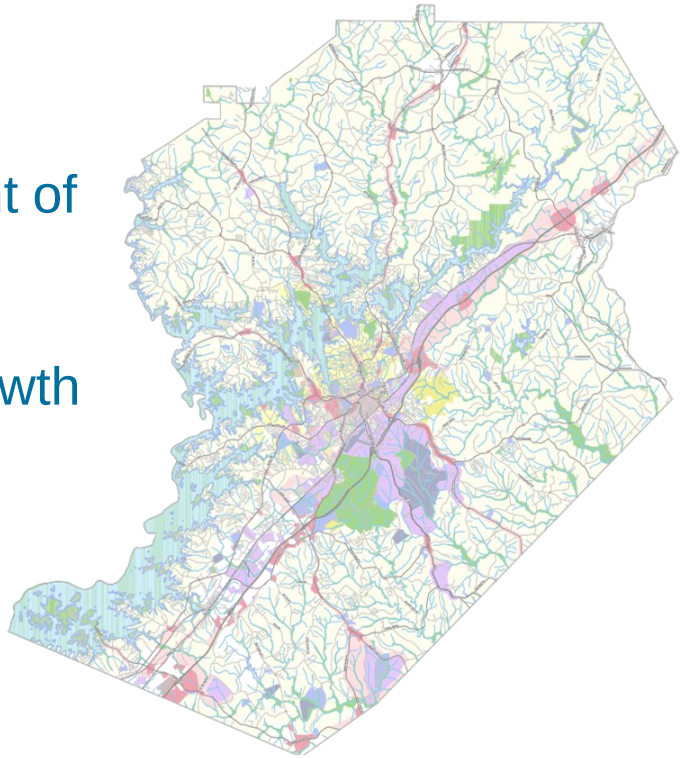
What is a Comprehensive Plan?

A policy document that:

- **Guides** decisions related to development of Hall County
- Establishes a **community vision** for growth over the next 20 years
- **Coordinates** local planning efforts
- Fulfills State of Georgia **requirement**



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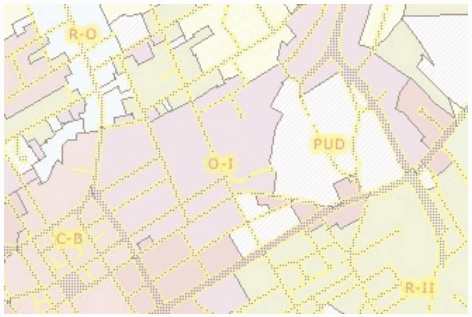
What is a Comprehensive Plan?

- A comprehensive plan **<u>is not</u>:**
  - A regulation
  - An ordinance
  - Zoning



- A comprehensive plan, upon adoption, **<u>does not</u>:**
  - Create new regulations
  - Change existing zoning
  - Alter the development rights allowed by each property's existing zoning

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How Often is the Plan Updated?

- 5-year updates required by the State of Georgia
- Previous planning efforts:
  - Joint Hall County/Gainesville plan update (2004)
  - Hall County partial plan update (2009)
- **This update (unincorporated Hall County) due mid 2017**
- Other plans to consider during this update:
  - Municipalities' comprehensive plans
  - Gainesville-Hall Regional Transportation Plan (2015 update)
  - Greater Hall Chamber of Commerce VISION 2030

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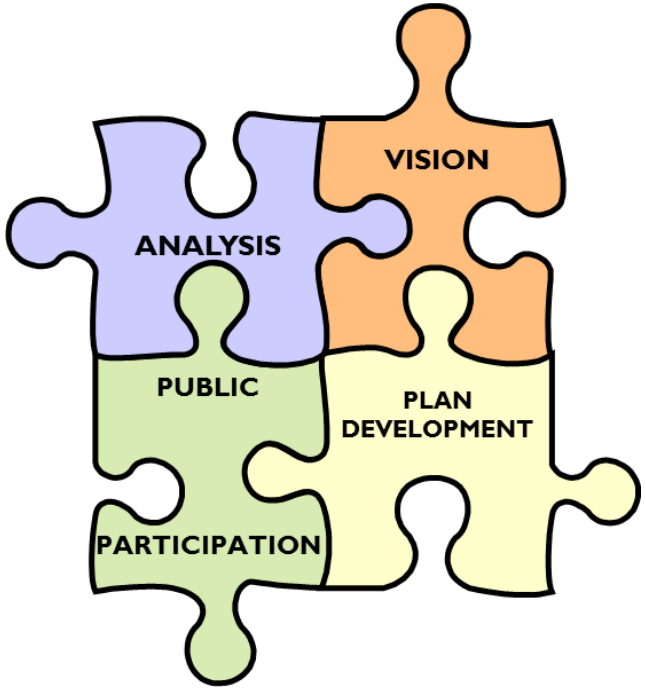
What is a Comprehensive Plan?

- **Main Components**
  - Needs & Opportunities
  - Supporting Goals & Strategies
  - Future Development Guide
  - 5-Year Action Plan for Implementation

- **Public Input**
  - Help prioritize needs & opportunities
  - Help establish community vision for growth
  - Help identify desired development patterns



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Planning Process

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What is the Planning Process?

- Steps in the Planning Process:

Where are we? → **Where are we going?** → **Where do we want to go?** → **How do we get there?**

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- **Community Assessment**
  - Review local data, plans & development patterns
  - Address land use, housing, economic development, natural & cultural resources
  - Highlight areas requiring special attention

What is the Planning Process?

Where are we? → Where are we going? → **Where do we want to go?** → How do we get there?

- **Public Participation**
  - Kick-off Meeting
  - Visioning Workshop
  - Neighborhood Area Workshops
  - Land Use Charrette
  - Open House

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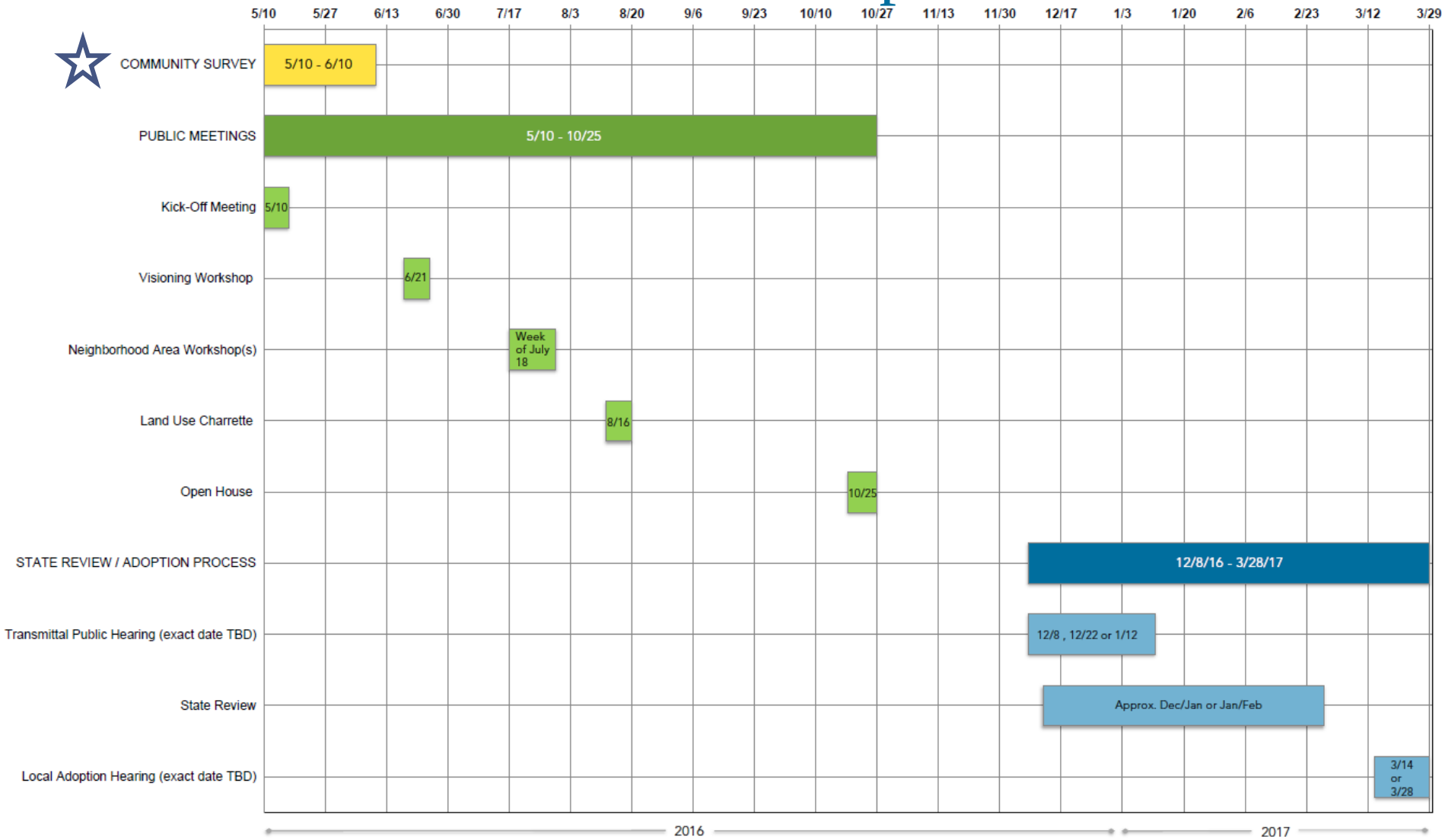

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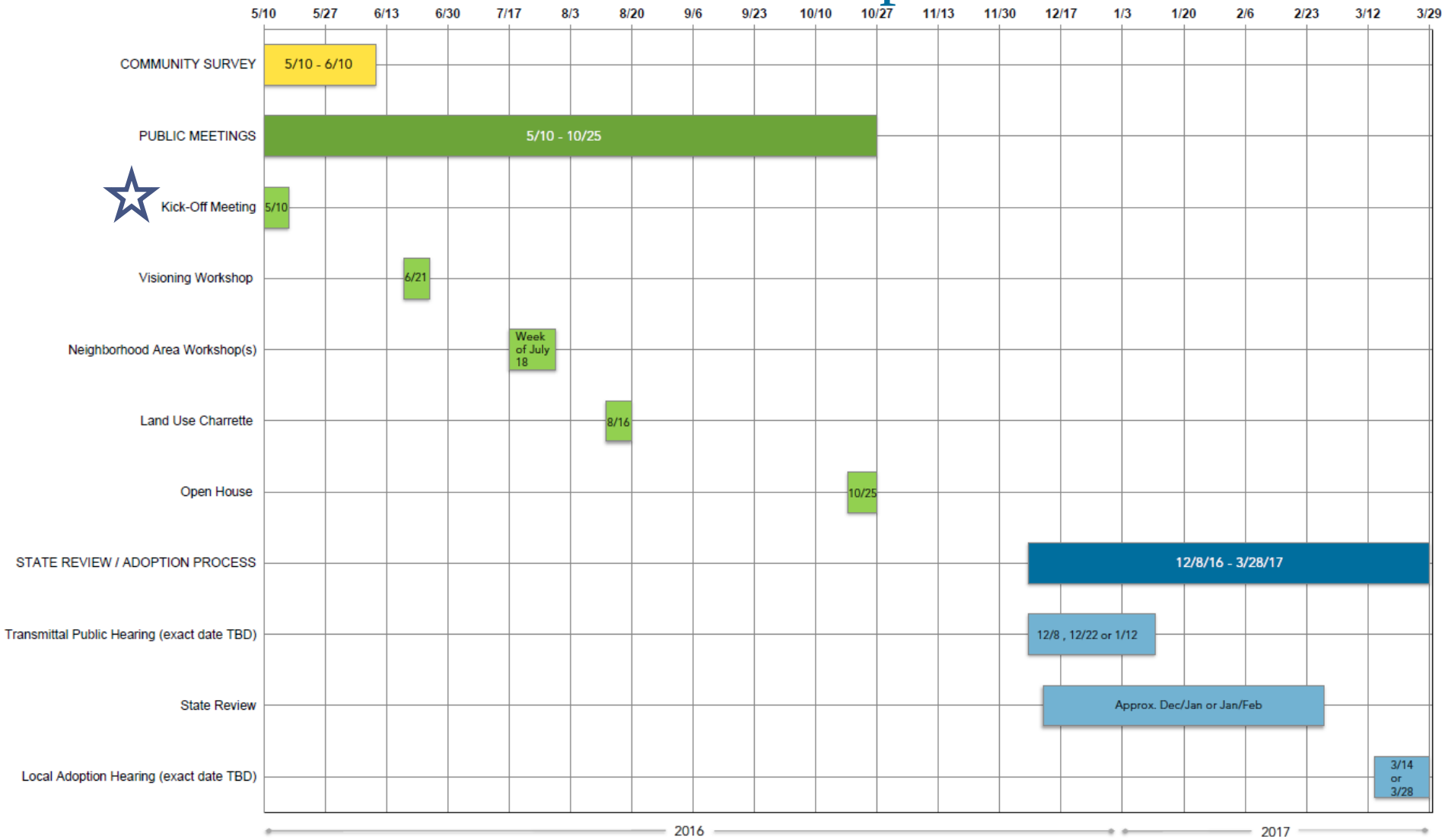

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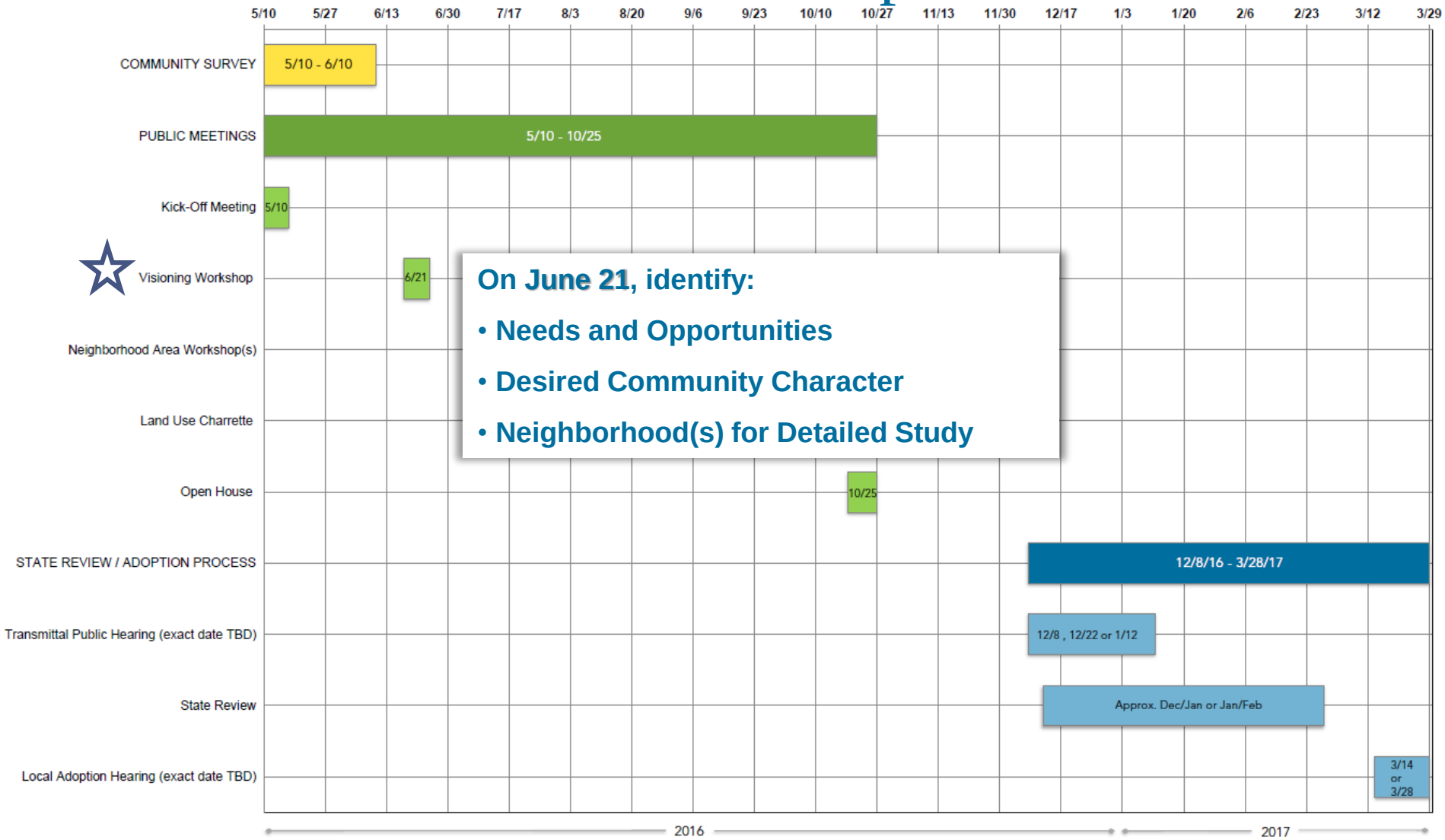

On June 21, identify:

- **Needs and Opportunities**
- **Desired Community Character**
- **Neighborhood(s) for Detailed Study**

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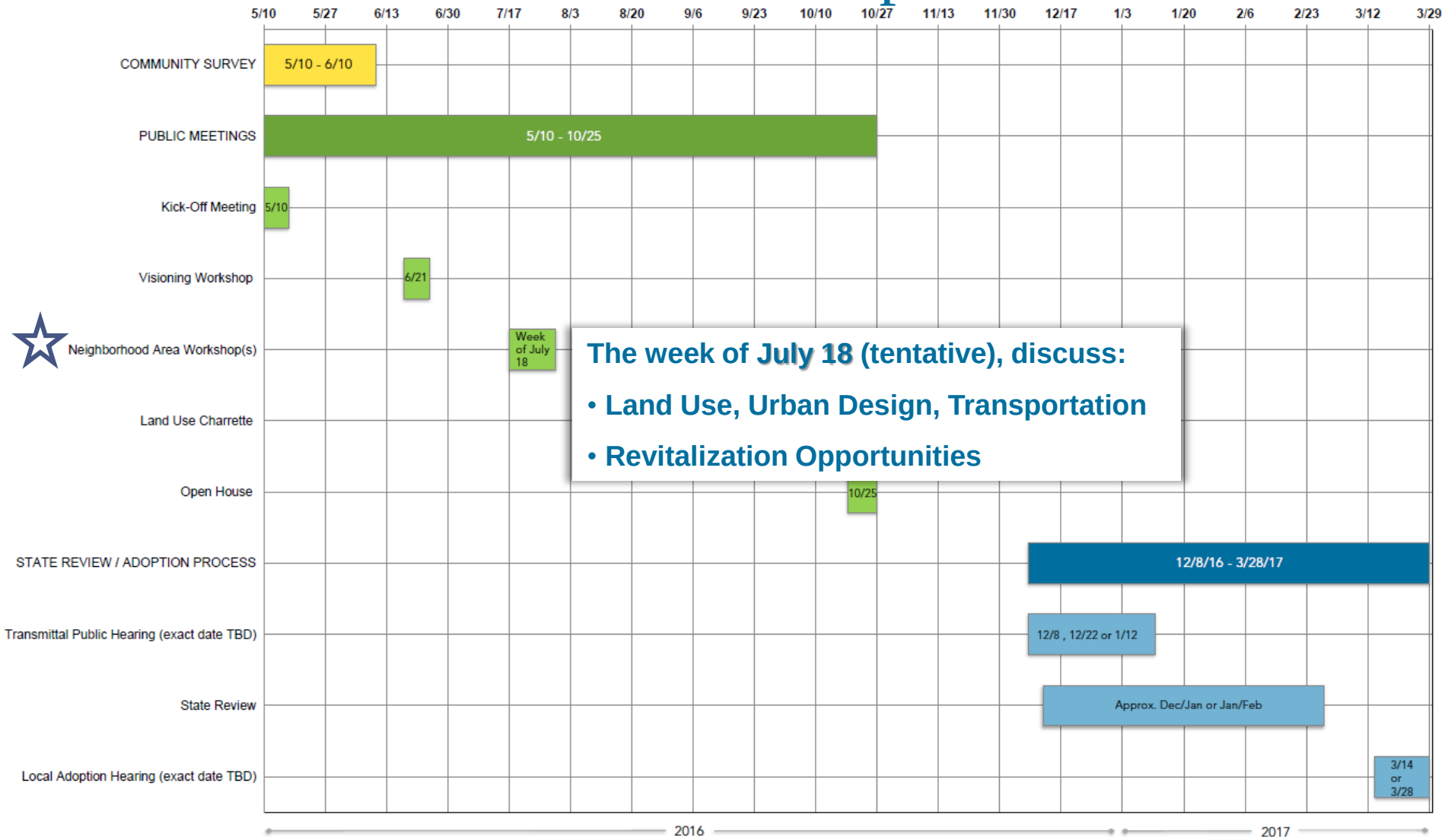

The week of July 18 (tentative), discuss:

- **Land Use, Urban Design, Transportation**
- **Revitalization Opportunities**

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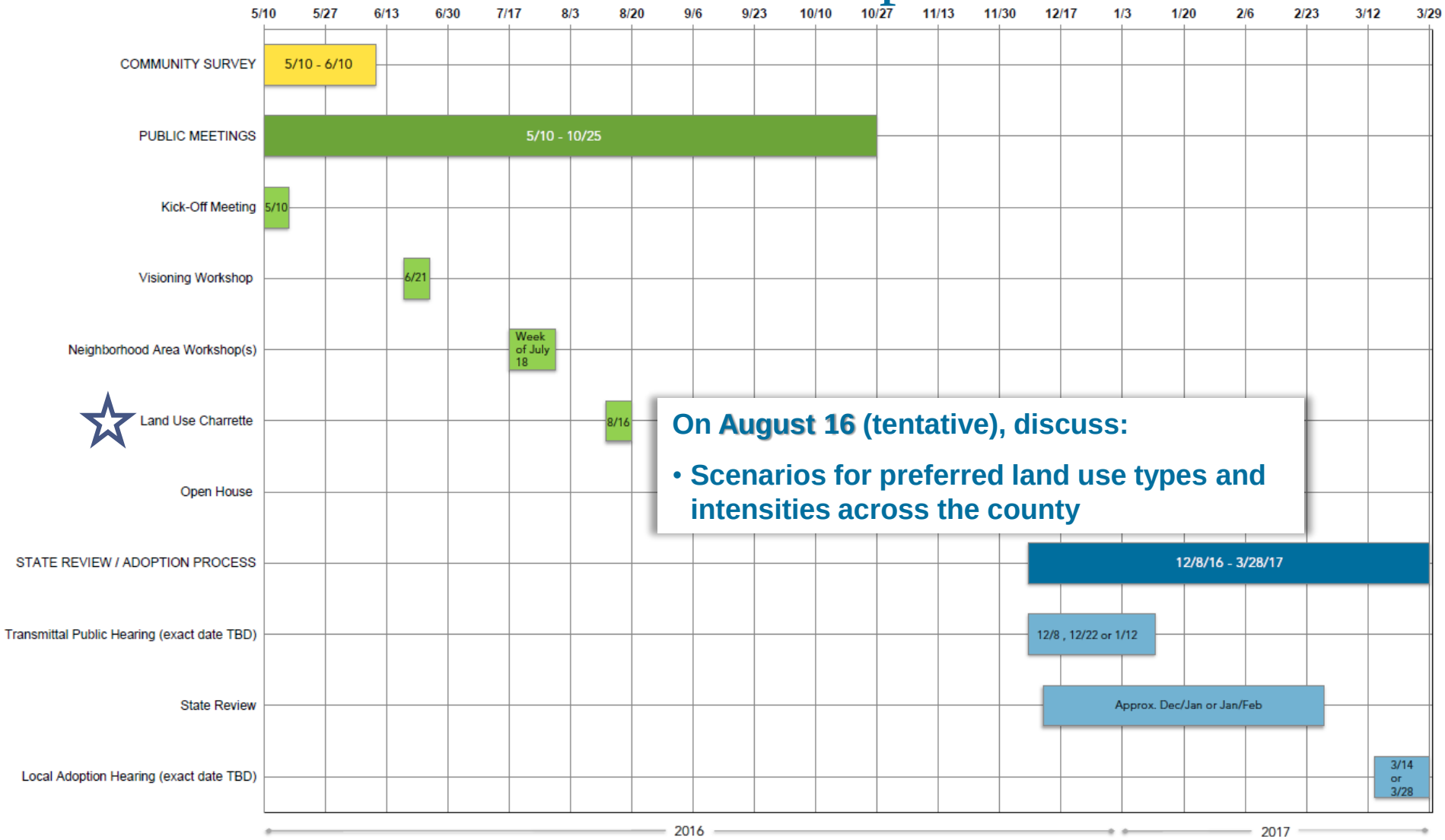

On August 16 (tentative), discuss:

- **Scenarios for preferred land use types and intensities across the county**

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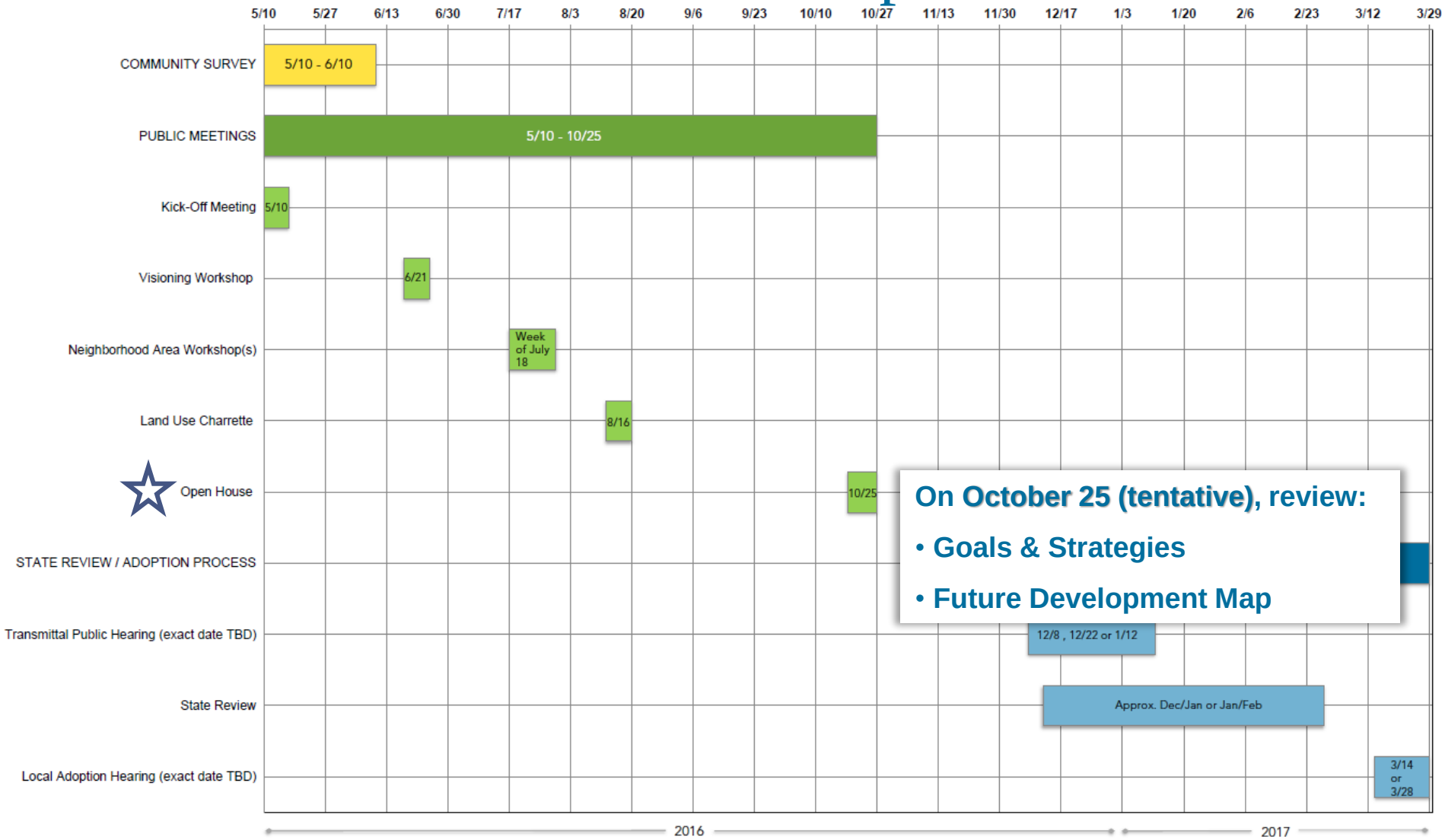

On October 25 (tentative), review:

- **Goals & Strategies**
- **Future Development Map**

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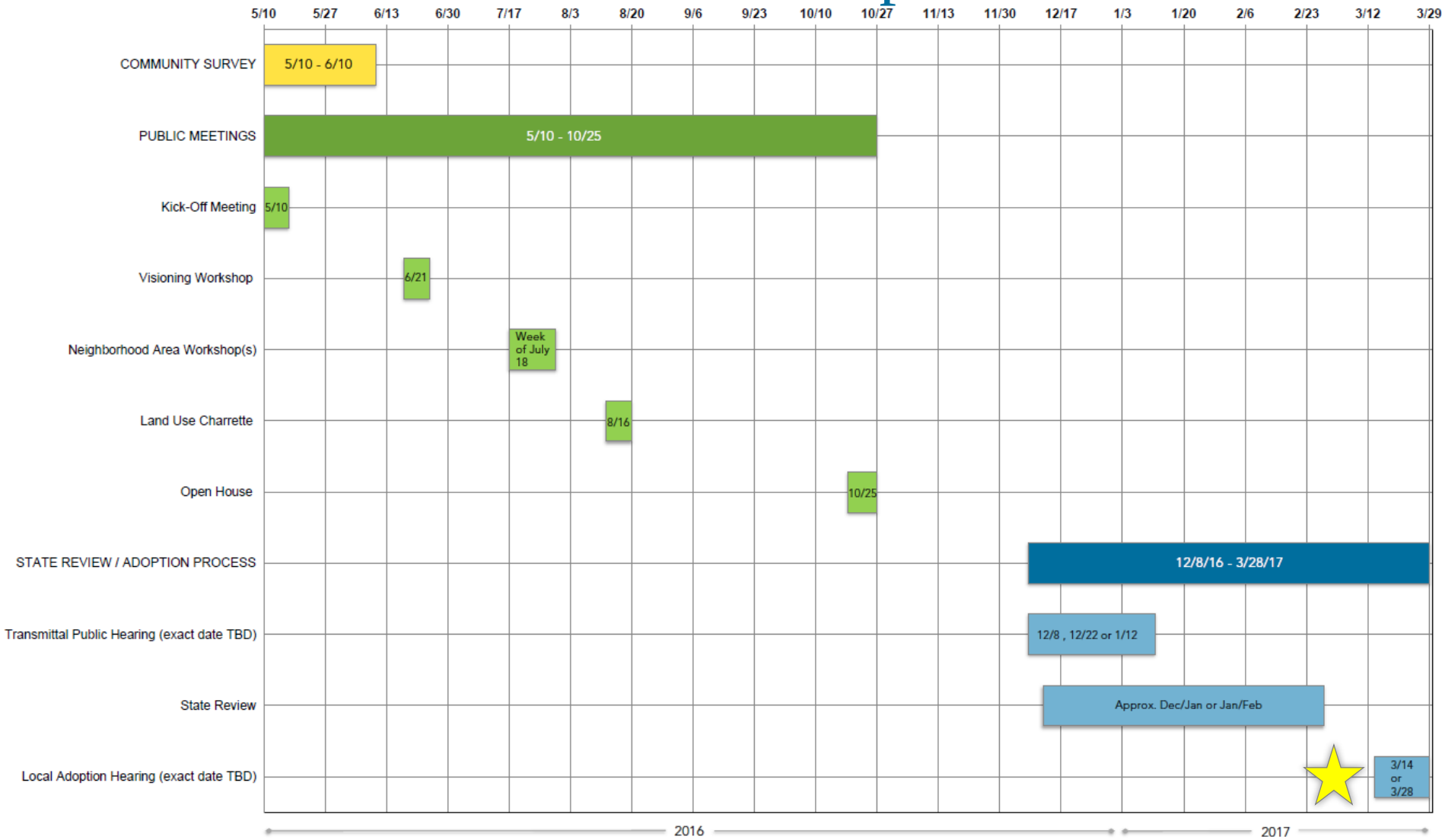


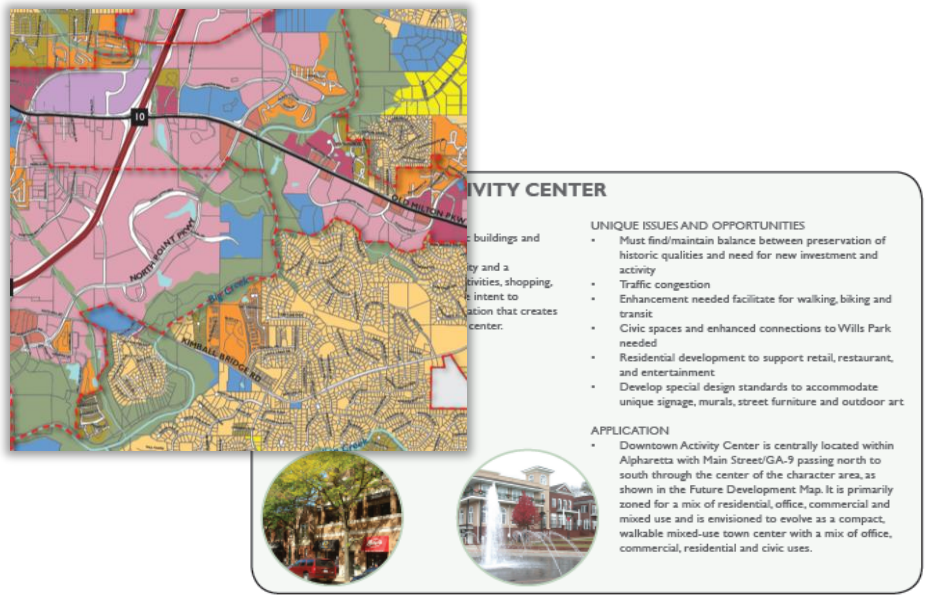
Finally, at the end…

Where are we?

Where are we going?

Where do we want to go?

How do we get there?



- **Final Plan**
  - 20-Year Vision
  - Goals & Strategies
  - Future Development Guide
  - Implementation Program

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How to Participate

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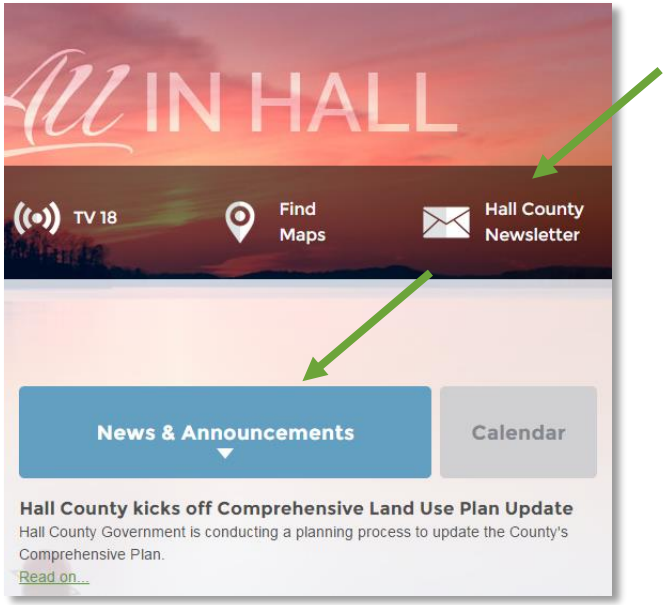
How Can You Participate?

- **Provide contact info** tonight using Sign-In Sheet
- Take the **community survey** tonight or online *(survey closes June 10)*
- Check Hall County **website**
- Tell your **friends!**

Also…

- Attend upcoming **public workshops**
- Visit us at **events** around the County
- Stakeholder **discussions**



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