

Harford County, Maryland

SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS



Chapter 268 of the Harford County Code, as amended

Effective December 22, 2008
Amended thru March 14, 2022

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING

Harford County, Maryland

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AMENDMENT INFORMATION:**

Bill Number **effective date**

09-32	1/22/10
11-06	5/23/11
11-13	6/27/11
12-50	12/31/12
13-37AA	1/21/14
14-26AA	8/25/14
14-33AA	12/26/14
21-27	3/14/22

ARTICLE IV. Concept Plans, Preliminary Subdivision Plans and/or Site Plans

§ 268-18. Concept Plans.

- A. Submission procedure.
 - (1) If more than 500 trips per day are proposed for a residential subdivision or special development, a concept plan shall be submitted to the Department of Planning and Zoning.
 - (2) Community input meetings must be held pursuant to §268-20 (Community Input Meetings) of the Subdivision Regulations, as amended.
- B. Information required. At a minimum, the concept plan shall include all items as specified on the most recent checklist provided by the Department of Planning and Zoning which is incorporated by reference and made a part hereof as though it were fully stated herein.
- C. Review and approval procedure.
 - (1) Concept plan review shall be subject to items C(1) through C(10) of the review and approval procedures specified under §268-19 (Preliminary Plans and Site Plans).
 - (2) If a forest stand delineation is required by Chapter 267, article VI of the Harford County Zoning Code, as amended, the concept plan shall not be approved until the forest stand delineation has been approved by the Department of Planning and Zoning.
 - (3) Tenure of concept plans. Concept plans are valid for a period of 5 years or for the validity period of any subsequent preliminary plan approval. Upon expiration of any concept plan approval, a new concept plan must be submitted to the Department following all the applicable procedures prior to submitting a preliminary plan.

§ 268-19. Preliminary Plans and Site Plans. [Amended by Bill 09-32 ; Bill 11-06; Bill 11-13; Bill 13-37 as amended; Bill 14-26 as amended; and Bill 21-27]

- A. Submission procedure.
 - (1) Preliminary plans and site plans shall be submitted to the Department of Planning and Zoning for all proposed subdivisions. Preliminary plans for residential subdivisions of more than 5 lots and commercial/industrial subdivision and site plans for nonresidential and multi-family housing uses shall be distributed to the members of the Development Advisory Committee for review.
 - (2) Community input meetings must be held pursuant to §268-20 (Community Input Meetings) of the Subdivision Regulations, as amended.
 - (3) The preliminary plan and/or site plan shall be complete in accordance with the information required in paragraph B below.
- B. Information required. At a minimum, preliminary plans and site plans shall include all items as specified on the most recent checklist provided by the Department of Planning and Zoning which is incorporated by reference and made a part hereof as though it were fully stated herein.

C. Review and approval procedure.

- (1) The Development Advisory Committee (DAC) is established to advise the Director of Planning regarding major subdivisions and other large-scale developments. Representatives from County agencies shall be members of the Development Advisory Committee. Each County agency that is represented on the Development Advisory Committee shall submit oral or written comment at each committee meeting expressing the agency's recommendation or opinion regarding each development plan reviewed by the committee. Members of State agencies and other supporting agencies in the region will be provided copies of plans and an opportunity to submit oral or written comments expressing the agency's recommendation or opinion regarding each development plan, when appropriate.
 - (a) Membership shall include, but not be limited to:
 - [1] Department of Planning and Zoning.
 - [2] Department of Public Works.
 - [3] Health Department.
 - [4] Department of Parks and Recreation.
 - [5] Soil Conservation District.
 - [6] Sheriff's Office.
 - [7] Harford County Public Schools.
 - [8] Emergency Operations.
 - (b) State agencies and other supporting agencies that will receive copies of plans submitted to DAC for review and comment include, but are not limited to:
 - [1] State Highway Administration.
 - [2] U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
 - [3] Maryland Department of the Environment.
 - [4] Maryland Department of Natural Resources.
 - (c) If a major subdivision or other large-scale development is proposed within a 1 mile radius of a municipality, the following Departments or entities within that municipality shall receive copies of the plan and shall receive notice of the DAC meeting for the purpose of providing an opportunity to provide oral or written comments regarding the plan:
 - [1] Department of Planning.