



# City of Tybee Island Comprehensive Plan Update 2026

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# What is Comprehensive Planning and why do we do it?

- Comprehensive planning is an important tool for promoting strong and healthy communities in the State of Georgia.
- Comprehensive plans are centered around a **vision** and a **set of goals** that express a **desired future** that is achievable within a set timeframe through policies and work plans.

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Comprehensive planning is also a requirement by the State of Georgia to maintain **Qualified Local Government Status (QLG)** as specified by the Department of Community Affairs (DCA). Maintaining this status allows for access to a special package of **financial resources** to aid in implementing the comprehensive plan, including:

- Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)
- Water and sewer loans from the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA)
- Economic development funding from the OneGeorgia Authority
- Other programs from DCA and partner agencies



# Stakeholder Sessions

❖ Vision

❖ Needs & Opportunities

❖ Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunity, Threats Analysis (S.W.O.T)

❖ Land Use / Character Areas

# Ground Rules

- CRC staff will guide the discussion but remain neutral.
- Everyone is encouraged to participate in discussion.
- **No one dominates.**
- Maintain an atmosphere for discussion and analysis of individual ideas.
- This is a deliberative discussion, **NOT** a debate.
- **Listening** is as important to productive discussion as talking.
- Work toward making a decision.
- What's best for the community?
- How should the community act on an issue?

# Stakeholder Introductions



Name



Title/Role



Organization





# Community Vision

## Current Vision Statement:

“As concerned citizen of the City of Tybee Island, we will be conscientious stewards of our unique historic and cultural heritage, strong neighborhood ties, environmental resources, and diverse community of passionate residents. We will ensure that our growth does not exceed the Island’s carrying capacity.

We will foster a vibrant, year-round economy and support our business community in its goal to provide quality services and facilities for both residents and visitors. We will provide increased recreational and educational opportunities for all age groups to promote Tybee Island as a family-friendly destination to live, visit, or do business, while enhancing the distinctive atmosphere of our island life.”



**Needs and Opportunities**

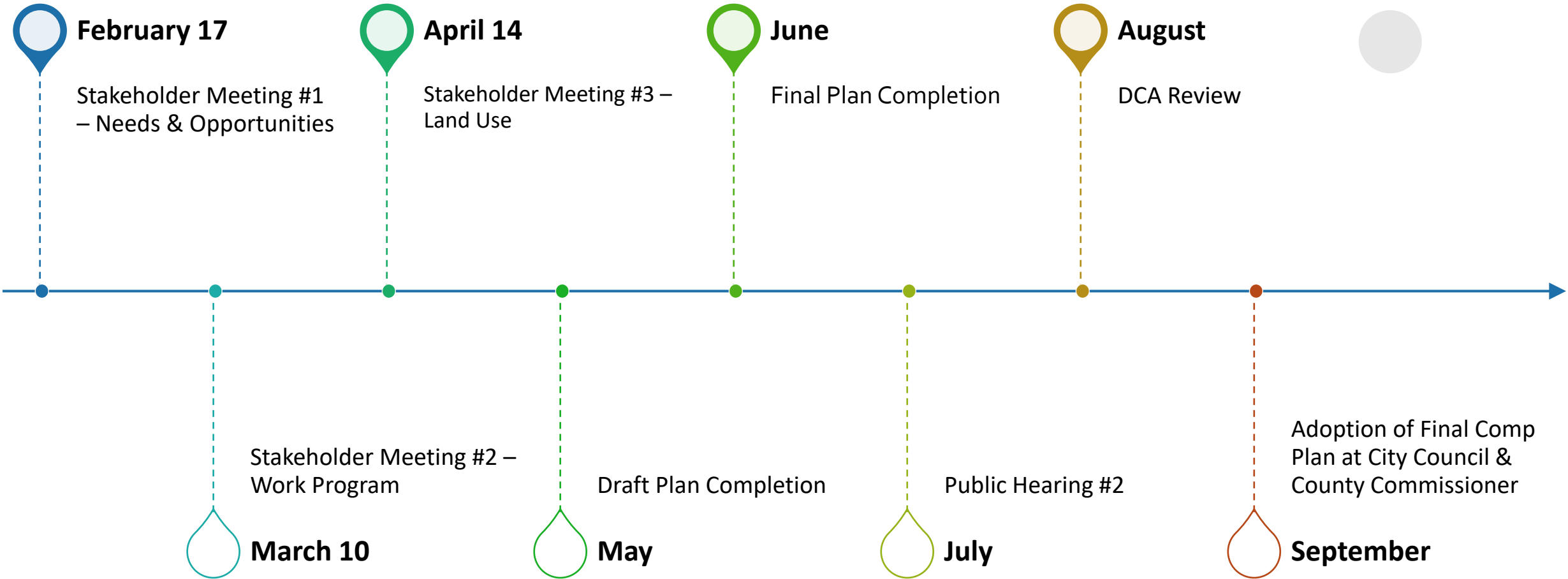
# Needs & Opportunities



# SWOT Analysis



# What's Next



# Conclusion

- Thank you for participating in the stakeholder committee. We look forward to seeing you in March for Stakeholder Meeting #2.
- Feel free to reach out to the CRC Planning Staff with any questions, comments, or concerns you may have.

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