

- **Citizen input needed on Denbigh-Warwick area plan**

Public meeting scheduled to launch planning process

Newport News, Va., – The City of Newport News is beginning the process of developing the Denbigh-Warwick Area Plan with a public meeting on Thursday, July 26, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Mary Passage Middle School, 400 Atkinson Way. The objective of the Denbigh-Warwick Area Plan is to establish a comprehensive long-range planning and development vision to stabilize the neighborhood and attract new investment. The meeting, which is open to the public, will provide an overview of the planning process in addition to interactive group discussions to engage the public and capture citizen feedback.

“This is a significant step to strategically revitalize the Denbigh-Warwick community,” says Angela Hopkins, the project manager and senior planner with the city. “It is important that the community share its insights and help guide this process as we map out the future of the Denbigh-Warwick area,” Hopkins said.

General plan boundaries are: Boxley Boulevard, Enterprise Drive, the Warwick River and the CSX railroad. The City Farm property is not part of the Denbigh-Warwick Area Plan.

An area plan is a roadmap for urban development, redevelopment and revitalization of a focused area considered to be of strategic importance. Once adopted, the Denbigh-Warwick Area Plan will serve as an amendment to the City’s comprehensive plan. Wallace Roberts & Todd (WRT), an integrated design firm of planners, urban designers, architects and landscape architects, has been selected by the City to provide consultant services for the development of the plan.

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