
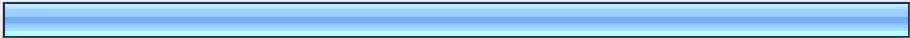
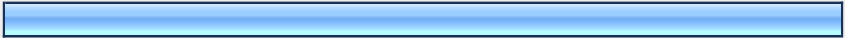



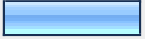
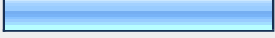





Preserving Communities Newsletter Survey

1. Could we get some contact information if we have questions about your responses?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Name:		96.3%	26
State:		100.0%	27
Email Address:		92.6%	25
<i>answered question</i>			27
<i>skipped question</i>			1

2. Which article did you find most helpful?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Traffic Calming		25.9%	7
Countering Property Rights Arguments		18.5%	5
Big Box vs. Community Stores		7.4%	2
Preserving & Restoring Watersheds		14.8%	4
Planning Commission & Zoning Board Bias		29.6%	8
Waste Facilities & Neighborhood Health		3.7%	1
<i>answered question</i>			27
<i>skipped question</i>			1

3. Did you find the articles too long, too short, or about the right length?			Response Percent	Response Count
Too long			14.3%	4
Too short			0.0%	0
About the right length			85.7%	24
	<i>answered question</i>			28
	<i>skipped question</i>			0

4. Do you have any suggestions for how we might improve future editions of the newsletter?			Response Count
			21
	<i>answered question</i>		21
	<i>skipped question</i>		7

5. Would you like to suggest any topics for the next edition?			Response Count
			20
	<i>answered question</i>		20
	<i>skipped question</i>		8

Do you have any suggestions for how we might improve future editions of the newsletter?

Keep an archive of past newsletters.

Suggest limiting the newsletter to five topics/articles. All the articles noted in question #2 were helpful.

I believe the newsletter articles already contained these but any additional URLs or links to other related or topical resources would be helpful for future articles.

Nice work ! Thanks for your efforts assisting communities in "SMART" development.

Hope to get out to some more folks as I acquire e-mail info. Take good care Thanks again for the guidance and information Banner

No, it was well done and I cannot imagine the amount of time it took to write it. Thank you for your efforts....

You need to discuss Low Impact Development (LID) as part of the watershed section. There are some typos and lack of source for some statements.

In general, the newsletter is a very good one with a great deal of information; maybe , not so lengthy next time. I enjoyed going to some sites, i.e. Blackstone.

add citations to some of the statements and links to them if possible.

I assume it is desirable to get a large participating audience, and if so, broad issues with a universal appeal would be good. Maybe outlining the personal consequences of non involvement (without overstating the case)

The newsletter could contain abstracts of the complete article, or maybe the first couple of paragraphs with a "read more" button to expand hidden text.

I liked that the articles were in response to specific questions, suggestions that were made.

Actually all the articles were useful to me! I like clean simple sites which are not graphics heavy and well organized; yours is very good in this regard.

Possibly send out a question to all communities asking them to check off their top 3 concerns .

A very polished first edition.

I thought this first article was wonderful. Your response to each one of the issues were extremely informative. Keep up the great work :-)

Address community-specific issues related to chosen topics of discussion; how issues were resolved on a community level.

The articles look great -- great topics, throughly and thoughtfully written -- but any one of them was longer than I would typically expect or welcome in a newsletter format, and to be honest having them all together in one issues but the newsletter in the "I don't have time to read this now" -- which unfortunately usually means I don't get back to reading it ever, unless something in is a resource or reference for something I'm working on RIGHT NOW.

I suggest concentrating on 2-3 articles per edition and give a bit more information.

Would you like to suggest any topics for the next edition?

Controlling crime. Effective structure and operation of civic organizations. How to lobby local politicians.

Examples of problems/issues are always very good to use.

Maybe something on how neighborhoods can practice community relations - i.e., what are some of the best methods to create neighborhood "networks".

Community development under the constraints of climate change and after peak oil. Some general discussion of after peak oil, what it is, what its implications are, how current development is reliant on cheap and plentiful liquid fossil fuels, and how and why this must change.

How citizens could become more involved and why they should. Our association (LGVA) has trouble getting people to understand the issues and to care about them....

RainScapes and LID. Also, can I send you what I think are typos? I could simply do this in red print and you could decide if you want to accept them.

Isolation or fractionation of ecosystems by roads and development.

Fairly specific to Maryland these days, but there might a general interest in the impact of slots on neighboring communities.

Putting shoulder or bike lanes on what were once country lanes but have turned into short cuts to main roads and the only way to reach new growth developments

Our small Eastern Shore town is just starting to work with the HOAs of two recently built developments. Any articles about how to work with them and focus their attention on overdevelopment issues would be great.

I would like the readers to become more informed about PUD's and how they circumvent zoning

Blinking signs

Would like more topics on P&Z and the property right issue.

The pros and cons of "traditional" septic systems vs. sand mounds and other "alternative" systems (and how we can get honest, accurate information to form a community association position).

I could use some direction on "community association deeded property" and neighbors that reside on either side of the property and encroach onto community space - there is no fence - what is eminent(sp) domain ??

Proposed interchange off of I-795 and how it will impact surrounding communities on all different levels.

Neighbor relations

How to persuade community members and government officials to reduce use of pesticides and herbicides.