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## Press Release

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### **Camden County to Develop a Master Land Use Plan for Unincorporated Areas**

In keeping with the adopted Strategic Plan and a key strategic focus area: growth and development, the County is moving forward on accomplishing a very critical component of the County's 5-year Strategic Plan. The Board of County Commissioners authorized the Department of Planning and Development to partner with Ross & Associates to create a master land use plan for the unincorporated areas.

The plan of action will be to determine the ability of the County today to absorb future development, to estimate the land demand for new growth by land use category, to determine additional land acreages needed to accommodate new growth, to allocate such land needs to appropriate locations, and to create simple procedures and standards to guide the rezoning process. Additional tasks will include development capacity, land demand for new growth (determine the net land demand for new house development based on house forecasts to 2030, by type, such as office, commercial, and industrial), and density. It will also determine the appropriateness of the County's net-net vacant land resources for development by land use

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category by evaluating such factors as: proximity to similar land uses, proximity to similar zoning categories, and proximity to transportation. There will be a series of public forums in various portions of the County to present the draft land use plan map and to receive input from land owners, citizens and the development community. *“By proactively planning for the future of Camden County, we will be better prepared to respond to challenges and opportunities as they arise.” ~ Steve L. Howard, County Administrator*