Welcome to the Baltimore Planning Academy
Our Agenda Tonight:

- 5:30: Dinner and Materials
- 6:00: Welcome from Tom
- Setting up Ground Rules, Roots of Planning Academy - Stephanie
- Binder Overview, Logistical Reminders - Elina
- Planning Agency Overview - Laurie
- 6:45: Introductions
- 7:40: Historical Overview and Q&A Led by Eric
- 8:20: Check Outs
What is Planning?

- Planners help local decision makers make pro-active, informed decisions to improve our City.
- Engaged residents are an important part of the planning process.
- Interpret a community's zoning code, determine what kinds of buildings are allowed in a lot, to help community create a vision for what it wants to become, educate community leaders on tools and strategies for improving their community.
Defining Equity:

An equitable Baltimore addresses the needs and aspirations of its diverse population and meaningfully engages residents through inclusive and collaborative processes to expand access to power and resources.
Our Mission

To build Baltimore as a diverse, sustainable and thriving city of neighborhoods and as the economic and cultural driver for the region.
Our Three Commissions

- Planning Commission
- Commission for Historical & Architectural Preservation (CHAP)
- Sustainability Commission
CHAP:

- Local Historic Districts
- Tax Credits for Homeowners
Office of Sustainability:

Green Network Plan  
Sustainability Plan:  
Comment period now OPEN.

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Baltimore Food Policy Initiative:

- Food Equity Advisors
- Food Environment Mapping, Briefs, and Report
Transform
Zoning Code
INSPIRE:

- Planning in the neighborhoods adjacent to and around 21st Century Schools
- 7 Plans adopted
- Currently underway: Bay Brook, Arlington
Neighborhood Planning:

A community planner is assigned to each part of the City, and provides input on projects affecting these areas, serving as the link between you and the Department of Planning.