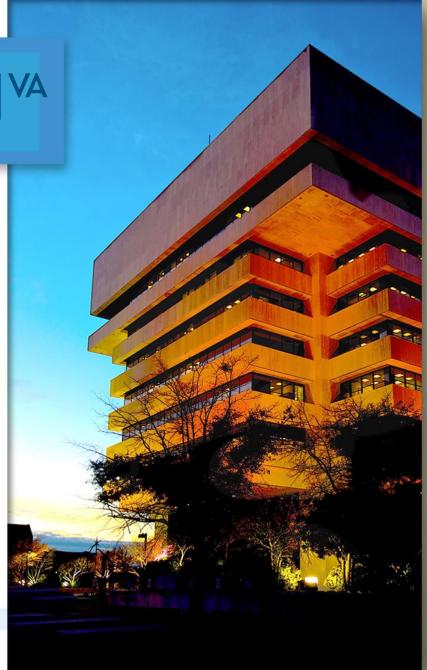


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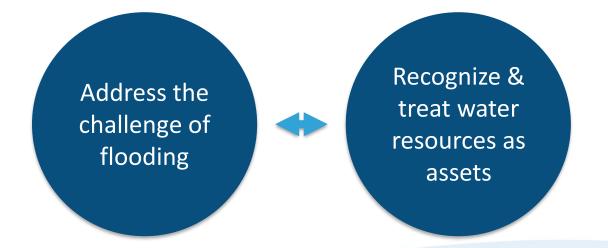
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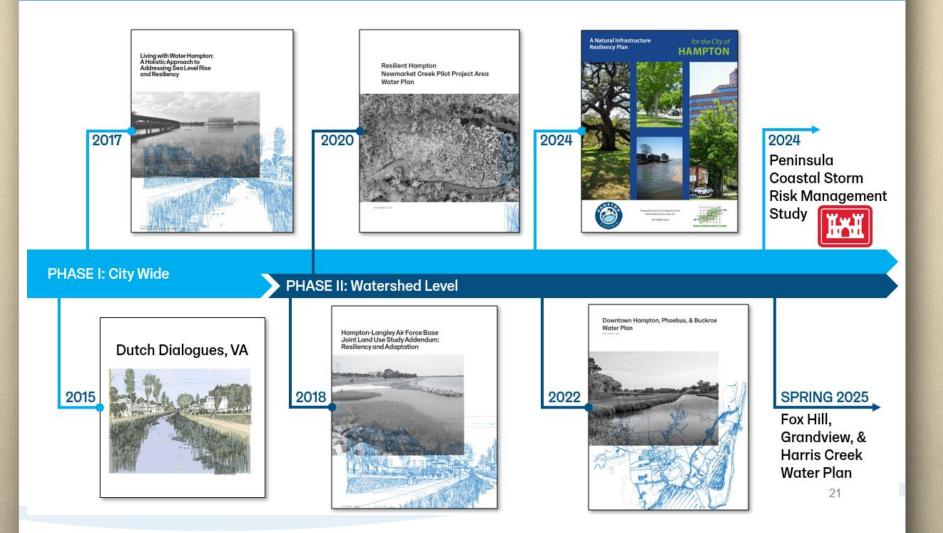


### Living With Water Strategic Priority

Addressing coastal resiliency, reoccurring flooding, waterways, and environmental sustainability while enhancing our tax base and quality of life.



### **Resilience Planning**



## What is Natural Infrastructure?

#### **Both Wild**

#### & Constructed



### What does the plan do?

#### Identifies strategies to increase and protect natural infrastructure throughout the community – with a focus on stormwater and flooding.

#### A Natural Infrastructure Resiliency Plan

#### for the City of **HAMPTON**





Prepared for the City of Hampton by the Green Infrastructure Center Inc.

OCTOBER 2024



## **Community Engagement**

- Community meetings
- City Staff & Community Steering Group
- Online surveys
- Library display boards





### Plan Vision

#### LAND

Hampton's natural and constructed green infrastructure benefits the community through integrated flood mitigation, thriving habitats, and climate resilience.

#### WATER

Hampton has restored shoreline habitats, wetlands, and riparian buffers that improve water quality, buffer from storm surge, and adapt to sea level rise.

#### PEOPLE

Hampton's citizens are informed, engaged, and empowered to create a healthy, vibrant, and resilient city.

### Land Goals

- 1. Utilize an urban forestry program to manage the City's trees to provide habitat, stormwater infiltration, urban cooling, and, recreation.
- 2. Increase and maintain natural green infrastructure to build climate resilience and support native habitats.
- 3. Install and maintain constructed green infrastructure to slow and store stormwater where natural infrastructure practices are less suitable.



- 1. Protect and restore natural shorelines and wetland habitats to ensure the longevity of ecosystem services as tides rise and climate changes.
- 2. Enhance water quality and provide flood mitigation through natural infrastructure.

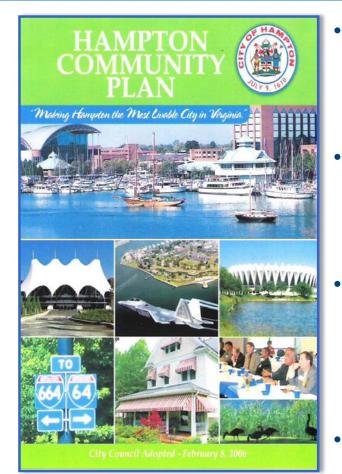


### **People Goals**

- 1. Expand community awareness and understanding of resilience projects through effective marketing and outreach.
- 2. Support healthy communities through equitable access to green spaces and natural assets.



# **Public Policy**



Hampton Community Plan (2006, as amended)

- LU-CD Policy 37: Allocate the appropriate space for water and water storage to help reduce risk to property
- LU-CD Policy 38: Recognize the water is an asset to be reinforced in land use decisions
- LU-CD Policy 40: Promote best management practices and development projects that provide multiple benefits
- LU-CD Policy 44: Align land use and land development codes and ordinances to support Hampton's resiliency goals

# Implications

- Inform City Code and Zoning Ordinance Amendments such that they align with Hampton's resiliency goals
- Inform decisions regarding Capital
  Improvement Projects
- Provides guidelines for incorporating resiliency elements into new development

## Conclusion

- Public hearing
- Action
  - Staff and Planning Commission recommend **APPROVAL** of CPA 24-0414