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July 29 Commissioner Meeting Rollup

LEONARDTOWN, MD – The Commissioners of St. Mary's County (CSMC) began their [business meeting](#) with an invocation and the pledge, followed by approval of the consent agenda.

The CSMC then presented commendations to [Henry Brodersen](#) recognizing his 24 years of volunteer service with the home-delivered meals program and to [Chris Kaselemis](#) for his retirement as Director of the Department of Economic Development.

For their [main agenda item](#), the Commissioners took the following action:

- [Authorized](#) a public hearing on August 26, 2025, to consider proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance to allow *Use Type 28* in the Resource Conservation Area Critical Area Overlay.
- [Authorized](#) the Department of Land Use & Growth Management to submit the proposed ordinance to the Critical Area Commission for review.

During County Administrator Time, the Commissioners took the following action:

- [Reviewed](#) future CSMC meeting agendas.
- [Approved](#) the requested budget amendments for the St. Mary's County Public Schools Capital Improvement Program to fund the realignment of projects for FY2026.
- [Received](#) a status update on the St. Mary's 2050 comprehensive plan.
- [Approved](#) the acceptance of the FY2026 Maryland Critical Area Commission grant.
- [Approved](#) the final ordinance to change the zoning designation for portions of the properties at the Pax River Village Center in Lexington Park, MD.
- [Approved](#) the Memorandum of Understanding with Towson University for a Regional Workforce Study.
- [Approved](#) the New and Expanding Business Property Tax Credit for Aviation Systems Engineering Company.
- [Approved](#) the Department of Aging and Human Services' FY2026 Area Plan Update Application and Notice of Grant Award for various state grants.
- [Approved](#) the contract signing for paving at the St. Mary's County Regional Airport.
- [Accepted](#) the Land Water Conservation Grant award for the construction of St. Clements Shores and Cecil Park Playgrounds.
- [Approved](#) the Maryland State Arts Council grant agreement.
- [Approved](#) the proposed schedule for development of the CSMC 2026 Legislative Agenda.

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The CSMC wrapped their business meeting with [Commissioner Time](#).

In the evening, the Commissioners will hold their regularly scheduled [Public Forum](#).

There will be no CSMC meetings on Tuesday, August 5, 2025, or Tuesday August 12, 2025.

The next CSMC meeting will be held on **Tuesday, August 19, 2025, at 9 a.m.**, in the CSMC Meeting Room, on the 1st floor of the Chesapeake Building, located at 41770 Baldrige Street in Leonardtown. CSMC decisions and related documents are available on the SMCG website in BoardDocs. Meetings are open to the public and can be viewed live on TV Channel 95 or on-demand via www.youtube.com/@StMarysCoGov.

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