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**CITY OF NEWARK HOSTS COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT
PLAN UPDATE WORKSHOPS**

NEW LONDON ROAD COMMUNITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY & NATURAL RESOURCES

Newark, DE (May 7, 2013) – The City of Newark Planning Commission is hosting two upcoming workshops to gather public input for updating the City's Comprehensive Development Plan. One workshop will focus on the New London Road community to identify some of the issues and opportunities facing the New London community and the other workshop will focus on environmental quality and natural resources, including potable and storm water quantity and quality, parkland and open space, wetlands, stream, and floodplain protection, air quality, energy conservation, and recycling.

- **New London Community Workshop on Wednesday, May 15 at 7 p.m. at the St. Johns AUMP Church located at 77 New London Road.** Topics will include neighborhood character, history and design, traffic congestion, affordable housing, as well as land use and zoning. The event will include exhibits and presentations from the City's Department. After the presentations, the public will be invited to discuss Newark's needs and policy preferences with Planning Commissioners and public officials.
- **Workshop on Environmental Quality and Natural Resources on Tuesday, May 21, 2013 from 7 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Newark Municipal Building at 220 South Main Street.** The event will include exhibits and presentations from the City's Departments of Planning & Development, Public Works & Water Resources, and Parks and Recreation. After the presentations, the public will be invited to discuss Newark's needs and policy preferences for environmental quality, open space, and natural resources with Planning Commissioners and public officials.

The 18-month planning process effort began at Newark Day this past June. It includes a series of public workshops and meetings sponsored by the Newark Planning Commission. Public feedback from these meetings assists the Planning Commission in developing a recommendation to City Council for their adoption.

For more information about the City of Newark's Comprehensive Development Plan project, please contact Michael Fortner, Development Supervisor, at 302-366-7030 or e-mail: mfortner@newark.de.us.

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