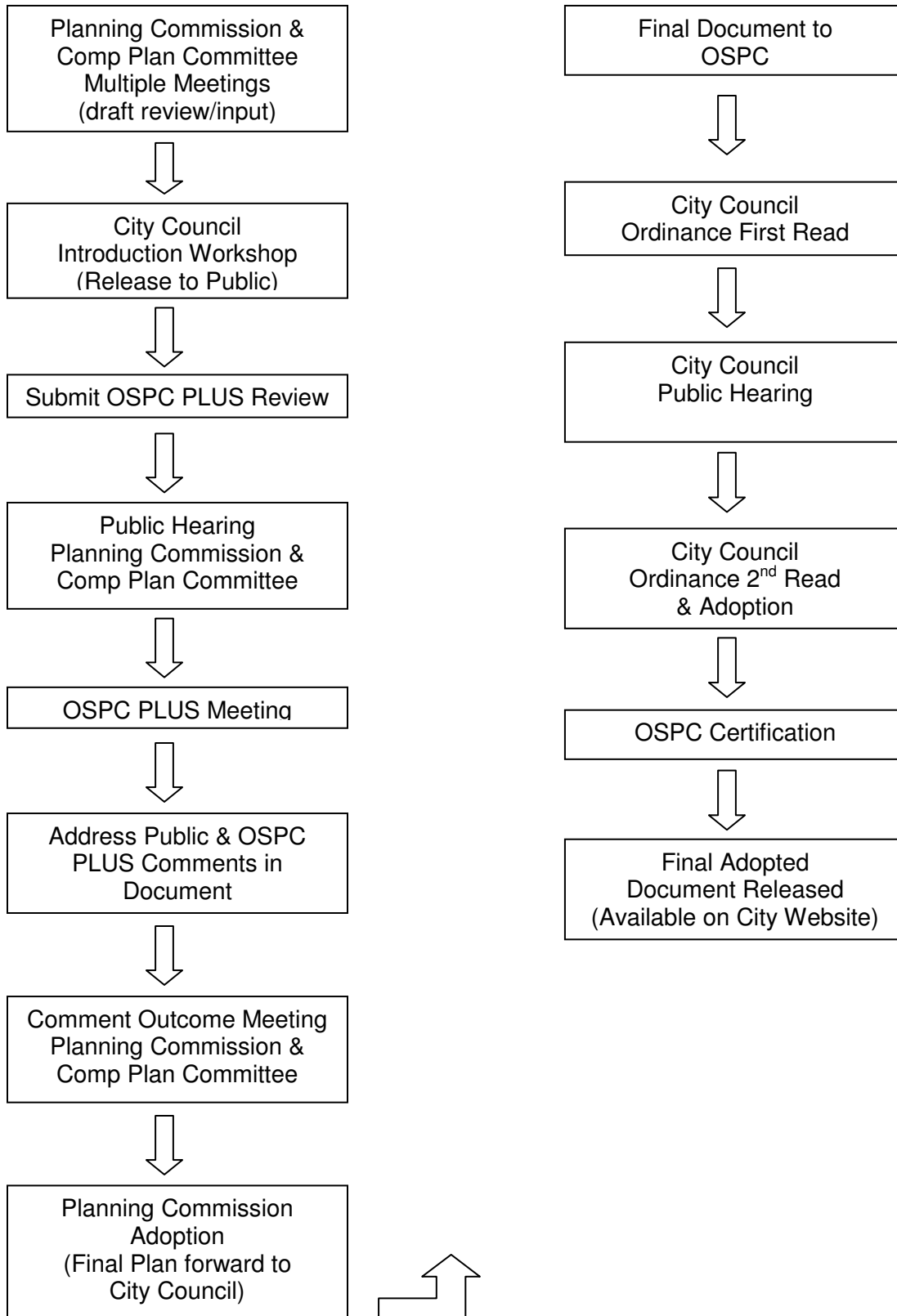


PLANNING PROCESS



GOVERNMENT COORDINATION

A submittal was made to the Office of State Planning Coordination for a Pre-Update review of the existing Comprehensive Plan and general direction for the new Comprehensive Plan. Several State agencies attended the meeting and comments were received on October 19, 2009. The comments were considered when preparing the new plan and each comment was further addressed in a separate letter. Communication is ongoing with the County and State Agencies involved in the planning process.

The City Planner and City Manager met with the State of Delaware Department of Transportation, Dover Kent County Metropolitan Planning Organization and the Kent County Planning Department to discuss any potential conflicts and general strategic information pertaining to the Harrington area. The City was further involved in the workshops and provided input on the proposed State Strategies document.

During the PLUS review process with Office of State Planning Coordination, all State agencies are encouraged to attend the meeting and provide comments on the document. The City will provide the Kent County Planning Department with the document as well for comments to include an invitation to the PLUS meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

While all meetings are public, the City is hosting two different Public Hearings to gather comments for consideration in the plan. All meetings and Public Hearings will comply with the Freedom of Information Act regarding proper notifications. Comments can be made in person as well as in writing.

The first Public Hearing is on the Planning and Zoning Commission and Comprehensive Plan Committee level to consider input and additional recommendations from the Public. Public involvement is very important in the beginning draft phase of the Comprehensive Plan and is strongly encouraged.

The second Public Hearing is conducted during the Ordinance adoption process by the City Council. The public comments and State agency comments were addressed in the middle of the process to ensure the document presented during the City Council adoption process is the final draft.

The joint public meetings were held weekly for several months with the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Comprehensive Plan Committee. All the meeting notices were posted in advance and public attendance is always encouraged.