



**Creating and
Connecting
Communities
in Northern Albemarle**

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Dear Neighbors and Business Owners,

No one needs to tell you that things in your part of the county are changing. You can see and feel the impacts of a developing community every day. Would you like to be a part of the discussion and play a meaningful role in the future character and design of your urban community?

We want you to take part in an exciting community planning project, **Places29**, which will help shape the future of your neighborhood along with other urban areas of Albemarle County north of the City of Charlottesville. **Places29** will bring residents, business owners, and other interested parties together literally at the table to map out the best possible shared vision for this critical area of Albemarle County.

Places29 will combine a transportation study of the Route 29 North Corridor with land use planning for four designated urban communities. A map of the study area is included. **Places29** is a joint project of Albemarle County, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission (TJPDC), with the assistance of an experienced consulting team.

Places29 starts with a Planning Academy that will introduce residents to the tools of the planning trade to be held on **May 12 from 7:00 pm until 9:30 pm at Agnor Hurt Elementary School**. The Planning Academy lets you meet county staff, learn the basics about Albemarle land use and growth management history and policies, and get a strong overall foundation in master planning so that you can be informed and engaged as we master plan the community.

**Places29 – Mark Your
Calendar . . .**

▲ **Citizens Planning
Academy** – May 12, 7:00 –
9:30 pm
Agnor Hurt School

▲ **First Community Meeting**
– May 25, 6:30– 9:30 pm
Doubletree Hotel

Places29 then moves on to a series of community meetings to share information and gather citizen input and feedback. These community meetings will feature hands-on small group sessions designed to make sure that your valuable insights are captured.

We invite you to attend the first public meeting on **May 25 from 6:30 – 9:30 pm at the Doubletree Hotel**. This community visioning session will create the goals and vision that will reflect what is most important to you, your family, neighbors and businesses.

We expect a large turnout as we bring the community to the table for **Places29**, and there is a maximum capacity at both locations, so we encourage you to come early to insure your place. If the crowd exceeds capacity at either event, we will provide an additional opportunity for your input to be included in the process. Sign up for our e-news group by sending your email to lgilliam@albemarle.org, or call our Community Development Department at (434)296-5832 for details. We look forward to welcoming you to **Places29**.

Sincerely,

Dennis Rooker,
Chairman, Albemarle County Board of Supervisors