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**COMMISSIONERS RECOGNIZE COUNTY DIVISIONS FOR  
ACHIEVING 100 PERCENT OF BOARD'S BUSINESS-FRIENDLY GOALS**

**FREDERICK, MD** – The Frederick Board of County Commissioners today recognized the Frederick County Community Development Division and other county divisions for achieving 100 percent of the 265 “[business-friendly initiatives](#)” that have helped ease regulatory burdens for Frederick County citizens during difficult economic times, while at the same time making sure basic government oversight has been maintained.

The initiatives coincide with the Board of County Commissioners’ strategic goal of providing improved predictability for the business community in order to reduce inefficiencies, allow cost control, provide an effective process and increase understanding in daily business processes within Frederick County Government.

Board President Blaine Young said, “Frederick County employees have worked diligently to help businesses more easily and efficiently navigate their way through the process. While the Community Development Division had the most action items to complete on our ‘business-friendly’ listing, many other divisions and departments also worked hard over the past four years to achieve our goals. They include the Business Development & Retention Department, the County Attorney’s Office, Fire & Rescue Services Division, Public Works Division, Utilities and Solid Waste Management Division, Finance Division, Health Department, Housing & Community Development Department, Interagency Information Technologies Division, Permits & Inspections Department, Planning & Development Review Department (including Zoning), Procurement & Contracting Department, Treasury Department and others.

“Through the exceptional work of these employees, they have let it be known that we are ‘open for business’ in Frederick County. We commend them for their contributions to our community. Their dedication and steadfastness have enriched the lives of those whom they have served.”

A listing of the business-friendly items may be found at [www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/BOCC](http://www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/BOCC).

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