



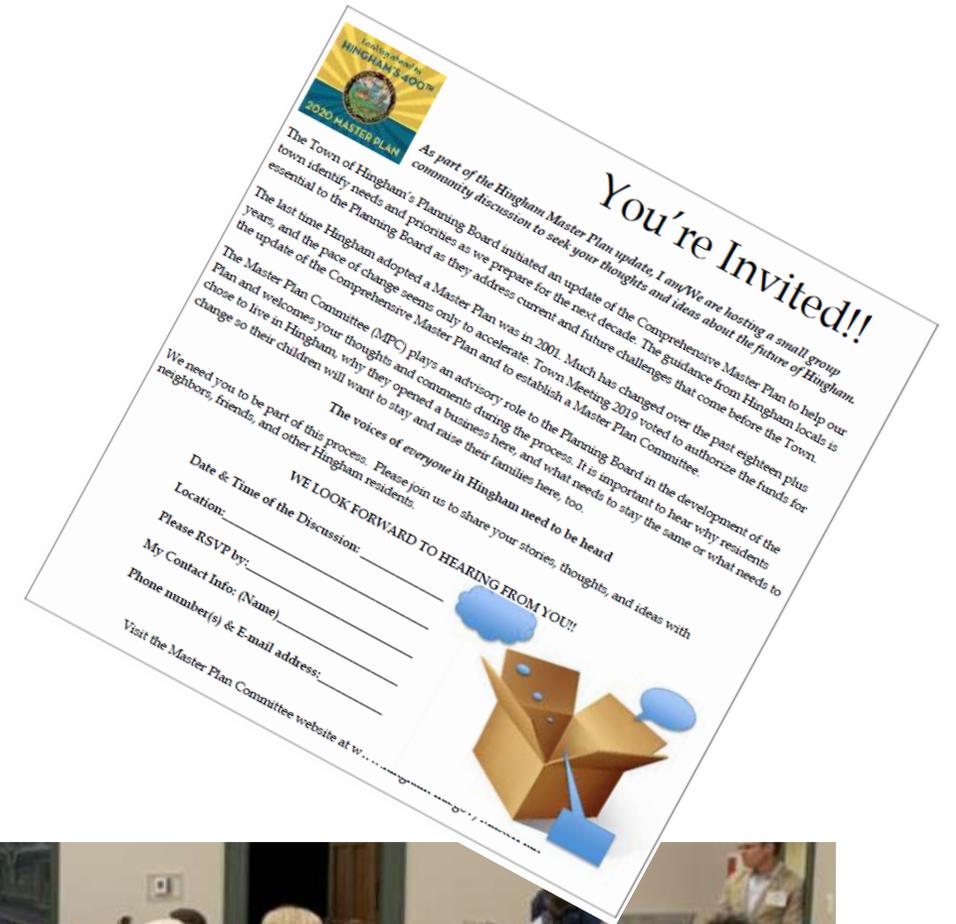
Hingham Master Plan

October 18, 2023
Community Preservation Committee

Update and Implementation
Presentation

Master Plan Background

- What is a Master Plan?
- Visioning Process
- Goals and Policy Recommendations
- Implementation



Community Vision: In 2035, Hingham will be a place that...

Honors its coastal New England heritage and celebrates its place and role throughout our country's history.

Safeguards its coastal and inland natural resources.

Enhances public access to Hingham Harbor and its amenities.

Strengthens its pride of place and sense of community through town-wide events and celebrations.

Provides infrastructure and services to encourage multimodal mobility linking key locations throughout town, such as the Shipyard, Harbor, Downtown, and South Hingham.

Promotes the safety and well-being of older adults and supports aging in community by providing high-quality amenities and services and encouraging housing that meets the needs of seniors.

Provides excellent schools and supports families by meeting the needs of children and youth, offering a wide range of recreation, athletic, social, and cultural activities.

Provides for strong, resilient commercial districts by supporting responsible development that brings economic growth and diversifies our tax base.

Welcomes racial, cultural, and economic diversity.

Encourages a range of housing types and prices.

Systematically plans for and invests in planned preventive maintenance and capital improvements to municipal and school facilities and infrastructure.

Encourages and values its tradition of public participation in government.

Core Elements



Economic
Development



Natural,
Open Space
and
Recreation
Resources



Sustainability
Water and
Energy



Population
and Housing



Historic and
Cultural
Resources



Services and
Facilities



Transportation
and Circulation

*Each Element includes an Inventory of Existing Conditions, Forecast of Needs,
and Policies and Strategies to Achieve our Future Vision...*

Master Plan Goals

Honor	Honor town character.
Protect	Protect the environment and prepare for the impacts of climate change.
Improve	Improve safety for all modes of travel and reduce traffic congestion.
Provide	Provide a variety of housing to encourage population diversity and aging in the community.
Support	Support a vibrant, resilient local economy.
Provide	Provide high-quality services that support the health and wellness of residents of all ages.
Provide	Provide public facilities and infrastructure that support the Town's need to manage growth and town services.

Policies and Recommendations



The Implementation Matrix Identifies the following for each Recommendation:

- Plan Element
- Responsible Party
- Land Use Element
- Level of Complexity
- Timeframe
- Resources Needed
- Associated Chapter

The Advisory Committee is responsible for 3 Policy Recommendations.

Example Recommendations

Policy #/Policy Description	Recommendation	Elements	Responsibility	Land Use Plan Element	Level of Complexity	Timeframe	Resources Needed	Chapter
Goal #/Goal Description:	1. HONOR TOWN CHARACTER							
1.1 Continue to document, prioritize, and protect historic buildings and resource areas.	Improve the condition of town-owned historic buildings; annually appropriate funds (CPC or other sources) to keep up with maintenance.	CHR, CSF	SB, CPC		Moderate	Ongoing	Planning, Funding	3
Goal #/Goal Description:	4. PROVIDE A VARIETY OF HOUSING TO ENCOURAGE POPULATION DIVERSITY AND AGING IN THE COMMUNITY							
4.1 Provide for the development of appropriately designed, managed, and located housing for older adults and people with disabilities.	Consider designating Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds for use by the Affordable Housing Trust (AHT) to acquire, renovate, and lease or sell existing homes to group residence organizations.	H	AHT, DC, CPC		Moderate	Medium-term	Funding	6
4.3 Continue to create and preserve a range of housing affordable for a wide range of incomes.	Commit at least 10 percent CPA set-aside for affordable housing directly to the Affordable Housing Trust each year, to be expended by the Trust for purposes consistent with the housing trust bylaw and G.L. c.44 s. 55C.	H	CPC, AHT		Difficult	Near term		6

Current Applications

Applicant	Project Description	Location	Amount	Category	Plan Reference
Mark Thorell, Recreation Commission	Hingham Community Playground	Cronin Field	\$917,590	Recreation	<p>MP Policy 6.3: Provide a range of opportunities for... recreational... activities for all ages and abilities.</p> <p>MP Policy 6.3 Recommendation: Maintain existing recreational facilities and undertake a plan for American with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance at all playgrounds.</p> <p>MP Policy 6.3 Recommendation: Provide new parks and playgrounds in underserved and more densely populated neighborhoods as needed or requested.</p>
Stephen Jiranek	Tranquility Grove Project	Burns Memorial Park off Central Street	-	Open Space Recreation Historic	<p>MP Policy 6.3: Provide a range of opportunities for... recreational... activities for all ages and abilities.</p> <p>MP Policy 6.3 Recommendation: Provide new parks and playgrounds in underserved and more densely populated neighborhoods as needed or requested.</p> <p>MP Policy 1.2 Provide stewardship of priority open space and natural resources area, connecting passive and wherever appropriate and possible.</p>

Master Plan Implementation Committee

- **Advisory to the Planning Board**
- **Mission and Scope**
- **Core Responsibilities**
 - Education and Outreach
 - Monitor and Track Progress
 - Review and Assess Timeframes and Level of Complexity
 - Host Master Plan Summits with Planning Board
 - Prepare a Draft Annual Report
- **Membership**
 - Planning Board and Select Board Representatives
 - Representatives of Core Elements
- **2-Year, Staggered Terms**
- **Staff Support**
- **Next Steps**



Questions and Discussion

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