



**Village of
Hastings-on-Hudson**

**COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
UPDATE &
LOCAL WATERFRONT
REVITALIZATION
PROGRAM**

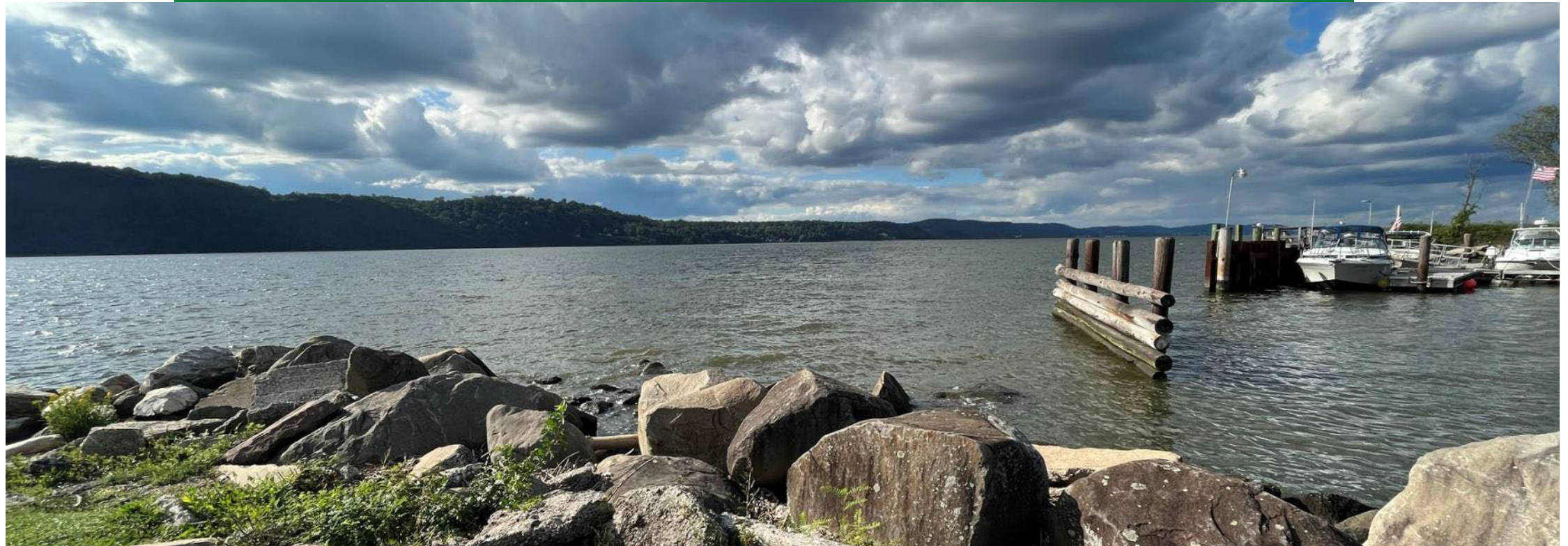
**Committee Meeting
July 19, 2023**

James Harmon Community Center





WELCOME





**Office of Planning
and Development**

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AGENDA



- Welcome/Approval of Meeting Summary
- Affordable Housing Committee Presentation
- Project Status Update
- Public Engagement Update
- Overview of NYSDOS Smart Growth Principles
- Revised Goals Discussion
- LWRP Projects Discussion
- Subcommittee Tasks
- Next Steps
- Public Comment



APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARY

- May 3, 2023



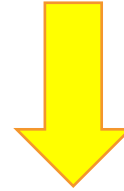
AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE PRESENTATION



HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE



PROJECT STATUS UPDATE



*CPU Meetings – Comprehensive Plan focus every other month/LWRP focus every other month



PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT UPDATE



Open House

- Wednesday May 24, 2023, 6:00 – 8:30 PM
- Approximately 80 attendees participated
- Open house style, self-led, station based, participation strategy
- Nine (9) activity stations
- Participant Guide was provided to attendees to guide them through the various stations
- Participants had the opportunity to speak with Village staff, committee members and the Project Team and share written ideas and/or comments on comment cards



PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT UPDATE

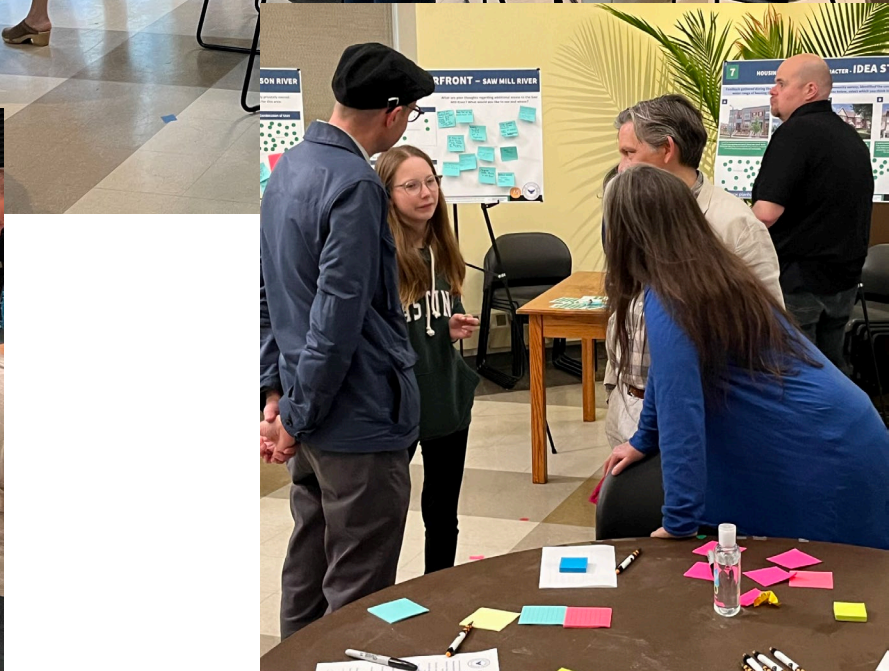
Open House



- STATION #1 – PROJECT OVERVIEW
- STATION #2 – COMMUNITY PROFILE
- STATION #3 – INSPIRATION STATION
- STATION #4 – PLACES WE GATHER, HOW WE GET THERE
- STATION #5 – SERVING THE GENERATIONS
- STATION #6 – WATERFRONT
- STATION #7 – IDEA STATION
- STATION #8 – OTHER THOUGHTS AND IDEAS
- STATION #9 – KIDS STATION



PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT UPDATE





PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT UPDATE

Common themes arising from all input received include:
(in no particular order)

- Consider impact of development throughout Village
- Traffic safety
- Variety of housing options for a range of income levels
- Waterfront revitalization





PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT UPDATE



Meeting materials have been posted to the project website:

- Participant guide
- Blank station boards PDF
- Meeting summary
 - includes photos of each populated board and any written comments submitted during meeting



NYS Smart Growth

- Since 2007, the Environmental Protection Fund (EPF) has contained a line of funding dedicated to supporting smart growth in New York State via a series of competitive grants to municipalities and not-for-profit partner organizations.
- DEC is responsible for distributing a portion of these funds toward smart growth.
- The Department of State (DOS), which has traditionally been responsible for local government planning and development-related assistance, will receive the remainder of these funds for distribution statewide.



OVERVIEW OF NYSDOS SMART GROWTH PRINCIPLES

- The Smart Growth Program offers municipalities the opportunity to plan and zone for their community by addressing all aspects of Smart Growth.
- Smart Growth is an approach to community planning and development that integrates what are known as the “**3 Es**”—**Economy, Equity and Environment**, with an emerging fourth **E—Energy**.
- Smart Growth promotes several land use planning principles that create livable, sustainable and equitable communities.



OVERVIEW OF NYSDOS SMART GROWTH PRINCIPLES

When adopted, the Village's Comprehensive Plan update must address the following general Smart Growth principles, in addition to the elements suggested by the New York State statutes:

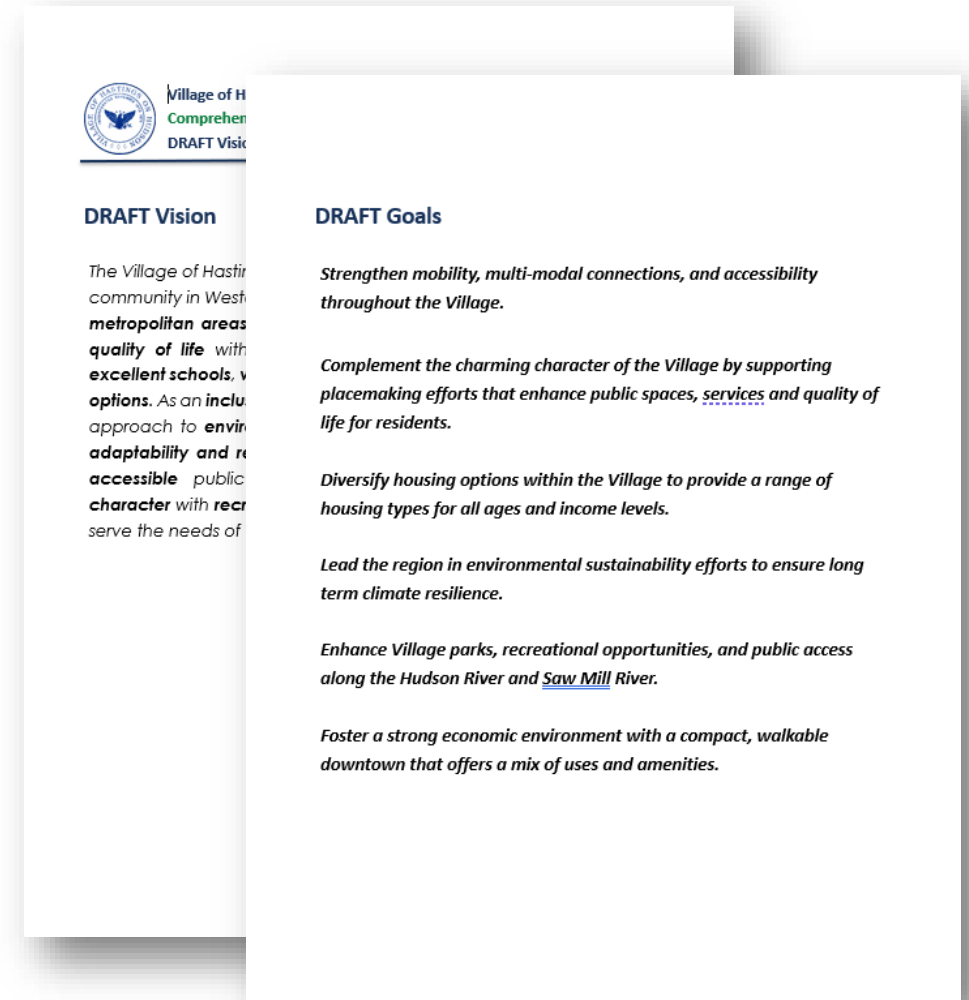
1. Promote mixed land uses in focus areas
2. Create an adequate range of housing opportunities and choices
3. Promote development and redevelopment where infrastructure is adequate and sustainable
4. Build on traits that make a distinctive and attractive community with a strong sense of place
5. Promote well-planned and well-placed public spaces
6. Promote sustainable compact neighborhoods
7. Increase mobility and circulation within jurisdictional lines and improve connectivity with areas outside jurisdictional lines
8. Promote sustainable mass transit that reduces the local levels of greenhouse gas emissions
9. Promote walkable/bikeable neighborhood designs
10. Promote and integrate clean energy resources and related incentives
11. Improve green infrastructure and resident's participation to this effort
12. Increase resiliency to extreme weather events
13. Encourage social diversity and integration
14. Expand planning and implementation efforts across jurisdictional lines, to increase effectiveness, sustainability, and resiliency
15. Promote community and stakeholder collaboration in planning



REVISED GOALS DISCUSSION

DRAFT Goals

- Consultant team has integrated feedback from
 - Committee
 - Public (survey/stakeholder discussions/ meetings/open house)





REVISED GOALS DISCUSSION

DRAFT Goals

- **Mobility and Access:** Strengthen mobility, multi-modal connections, and accessibility throughout the Village.
- **History and Placemaking:** Celebrate the Village's history and commitment to the arts by embracing placemaking efforts that enhance public spaces, services and quality of life for residents.
- **Housing:** Support the diversification of housing options within the Village to provide for a range of housing types for all ages and income levels.



REVISED GOALS DISCUSSION

DRAFT Goals

- **Sustainability and Resiliency:** *Focus the Village's environmental sustainability efforts by adopting Climate Smart Community actions to ensure long term resiliency and natural ecosystem restoration.*
- **Recreation:** *Enhance Village parks, recreational opportunities, and public access along the Hudson River and Saw Mill River.*
- **Connectivity and Economic Success:** *Foster and preserve a strong economic environment with an interconnected, walkable downtown that offers a mix of uses and amenities.*



LWRP PROJECTS DISCUSSION

DRAFT Proposed Project Categories

- **Housing and Economic Development**
- **Infrastructure**
- **Transportation, Mobility and Pedestrian Connections**
- **Recreation**
- **Environment and Sustainability**



LWRP PROJECTS DISCUSSION

Housing and Economic Development

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- Evaluate and Revise Viewshed Preservation Standards and Regulatory Requirements
- Conduct an Assessment of Underutilized properties
- Prepare a Local Historic Preservation Law
- Inventory historic resources within the Village
- Preserve Historic public structures
- Evaluate economic feasibility of mixed use/TOD zone to enhance water dependent uses



LWRP PROJECTS DISCUSSION

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Infrastructure

- Inventory Stormwater Infrastructure and identify green infrastructure improvements
- Evaluate sewer and water infrastructure
- Evaluate and document retaining walls and stairs Village wide – ownership, maintenance, etc.





LWRP PROJECTS DISCUSSION

Transportation, Mobility, and Pedestrian Connections

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- Prepare a pedestrian, bicycle and trail connections plan
- Prepare feasibility study for trolley/shuttle service to Metro North station
- Prepare feasibility study for intersection improvements at 5 corners





LWRP PROJECTS DISCUSSION

Recreation

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- Update Village-wide Parks and Recreation Master Plan
- Investigate commercial water dependent uses
- Prepare a feasibility study for creation of a maritime center
- Investigate the feasibility of providing a public marina
- Explore feasibility of establishing fishery
- Investigate Feasibility of Central Market/public gathering place
- Conduct analysis of future of Metro North Service to village
- Feasibility study to support port facilities, light industrial growth and water-based transposition
- Create Waterfront Park Management Plan





LWRP PROJECTS DISCUSSION

Environment and Sustainability

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- Prepare resiliency and climate change study
- Examine climate action plan for projects (Village-wide)
- Prepare a study to identify flood mitigation strategies for Saw Mill River
- Conduct feasibility study for ecosystem and tidal wetlands restoration
- Identify improvements to streams and estuaries within the Village
- Establish Green Team for Youth program
- Partner with Groundwork Hudson Valley Green Team





SUBCOMMITTEE TASKS



- Review Smart Growth Principles
- Additional thoughts/ideas on preliminary Comprehensive Plan Recommendations
- Review refined Proposed Projects list



NEXT STEPS



- Committee Tasks & Feedback
- Preparation of Preliminary Recommendations
- Continued preparation of LWRP sections
- Next Committee Meeting
 - Reminder: No August Meeting
 - **9/6/23 at 7:00 PM**



PUBLIC COMMENT

