

Village of Hastings-on-Hudson

# COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE & LOCAL WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION PROGRAM

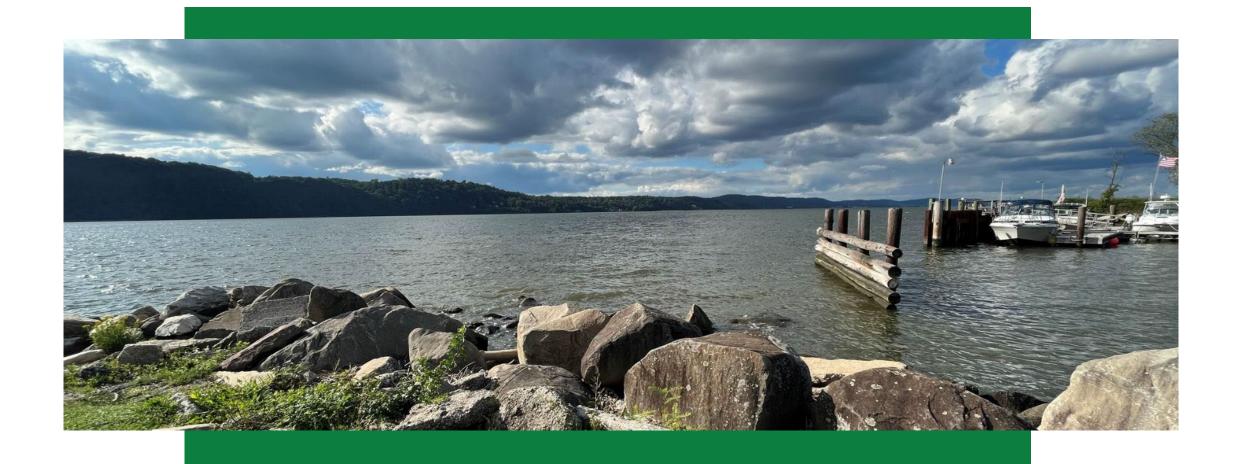
Committee Meeting February 7, 2024

**James Harmon Community Center** 





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#### AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE PRESENTATION





## **AGENDA**



- Hastings-on-Hudson Affordable Housing Committee Presentation
- Approval of Meeting Summary
- Project Status Update
- Review of Preliminary Recommendation Prioritization Exercise Results
- Committee Comprehensive Plan Committee Highlights/Discussion
- Next Steps
- Public Comment



## APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARIES

• December 6, 2023



## PROJECT STATUS UPDATE



- \*CPU Kick-off
- Initiate Data Collection & Analysis
- Public Participation Plan
- Project Website

- 1st Round Public Engagement
- Data Collection & Analysis
- LWRP Policies
- Comp Plan Vision & Goals

- Comp Plan Strategies
   Recommendations
- LWRP Proposed Project & Uses
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Public Engagement

- Draft Plan Recs
- Draft LWRP
- 3rd Round Public Engagement

- Draft Plan
- Draft LWRP

- Committee Public Hearing
- Revised Draft Comp
   Plan
- Preliminary Draft LWRP
- Final Comprehensive Plan
- Adoption of Plan (Board of Trustees)

Fall 2022

Winter 2022-23

Spring 2023

**Summer 2023** 

Fall 2023 / Winter 2024

Spring 2024



## PROJECT STATUS UPDATE

#### Remaining Key Committee Steps (Anticipated)

#### March 2024

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Draft Comprehensive Plan provided to Committee (mid-March)
- Committee Pair Review of Comp Plan Chapters

#### **April 2024**

- Committee Pair Presentations to Committee
- Committee Comments to MJ

#### May 2024

- 3<sup>rd</sup>/Potential Final Committee Draft Comprehensive Plan
- Consider scheduling Committee Public Hearing

Following the Committee Public Hearing and preparation of Final Draft Comprehensive Plan, the Committee will forward the Final Draft Comprehensive Plan to the Village Board of Trustees to consider initiating the adoption process which is anticipated to include several steps such as:

- Village Board of Trustees Public Hearing
- Compliance with SEQRA
- GML 239-M County Planning Board Referral
- Plan Revisions as appropriate



## PROJECT STATUS UPDATE

## Remaining Committee Public Engagement (Anticipated)

- Public Engagement #4 TBD
  - Spring 2024
  - Draft Comprehensive Plan for public viewing in advance
  - Committee Public Hearing on Draft Comprehensive Plan





## DRAFT LWRP SECTION UPDATE

- ✓ Section I: Waterfront Revitalization Area and Harbor Management Area Boundaries
  - Draft Submitted/Revisions In Progress
- ✓ Section II: Inventory and Analysis
  - Draft Submitted/Revisions In Progress
- ✓ Section III: Local Waterfront Revitalization Policies
  - Draft Submitted/Revisions In Progress
- Section IV: Proposed Land and Water Uses and Proposed Projects
  - Draft in progress To be submitted in March

- ✓ Section V: Techniques for Local Implementation of the Program
  - Draft Submitted/Revisions in Progress
- Section VI: State and Federal Actions and Programs Likely to Affect Implementation
  - Language provided by State submitted December
- Section VII: Local Commitment and Consultation With Other Affected Federal, State, Regional, and Local Agencies
  - Draft Submitted



#### **Key Items for Next Draft:**

- Acknowledgements page (with DOS attribution)
- Additional graphics/icons
- Completion of implementation table





#### **Key Items for Next Draft:**

- Smart Growth Principles
   Table
- Icon to identify recommendations aligning with Smart Growth Principles



Sma	art Growth Principles	
1.	Promote mixed land uses in focus areas	Section 4 - History and Placemaking Recommendations: P1
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2.	Create an adequate range of housing opportunities and choices	Section 5 – Housing Recommendations: H1, H2
3.	Promote development and redevelopment where infrastructure is adequate and sustainable	Section 6 – Economic Vitality Recommendations: E3
4.	Build on traits that make a distinctive and attractive community with a strong sense of place	Section 4 - History and Placemaking Recommendations: P2
5.	Promote well-planned and well-placed public spaces	Section 4 - History and Placemaking Recommendations: P2 Section 8 - Recreation Recommendations: R1, R2, R3
6.	Promote sustainable compact neighborhoods	Section 5 – Housing Recommendations: H3
7.	Increase mobility and circulation within jurisdictional lines and improve connectivity with areas outside jurisdictional lines	Section 7 – Sustainability and Resiliency Recommendation: S1 Section 8 – Recreation Recommendation: R1 Section 9 – Connectivity, Mobility, and Access Recommendations: C2, C3, C4
8.	Promote sustainable mass transit that reduces the local levels of greenhouse gas emissions	Section 7 – Sustainability and Resiliency Recommendations: S1
9.	Promote walkable/bikeable neighborhood designs	Section 6 – Economic Vitality Recommendations: E2
10	Promote and integrate clean energy resources and related incentives	Section 7 – Sustainability and Resiliency Recommendations: S1
11.	Improve green infrastructure and resident's participation to this effort	Section 7 – Sustainability and Resiliency Recommendations: S1, S3, S6 Section 8 – Recreation Recommendations: R1, R3, R4
12.	Increase resiliency to extreme weather events	Section 7 – Sustainability and Resiliency Recommendations: S1, S2, S5 Section 8 – Recreation Recommendations: R3



#### **Key Items for Next Draft:**

- Climate Smart
   Communities Table
- Icon to identify recommendations aligning with Climate Smart Communities requirements



Clin	Climate Smart Communities Requirements					
1.	Support alternative modes of transportation	Section 7 – Sustainability and				
	(including strategies for bicycles, pedestrians,	Resiliency Recommendations: S1				
	public transit, and electric vehicles)					
2.	Promote smart growth principles in land-use	Section 4 – History and Placemaking				
	policies	Recommendations: P1, P2,				
		Section 5 - Housing				
		Recommendations: H1, H2, H4				
		Section 6- Economic Vitality				
		Recommendations: E1, E2, E3				
		Section 7 – Sustainability and				
		Resiliency Recommendations: S1, S3,				
		S5				
		Section 8 – Recreation				
		Recommendations: R1, R2, R3, R4				
3.	Conserve natural areas (including strategies to	Section 7 – Sustainability and				
	designate open space and protect it from	Resiliency Recommendations: S1, S2,				
	development)	S5				
4.	Promote a healthy and safe community	Section 4 – History and Placemaking				
		Recommendations: H2				
		Section 7 – Sustainability and				
		Resiliency Recommendations:S1, S5,				
		S6				
		Section 8 – Recreation				
		Recommendations:R2, R3, R4, R6				
		Section 10 – The Waterfront				
		Recommendations: W1, W2,				
5.	Foster equity (including strategies for housing,	Section 4 – History and Placemaking				
	schools, transportation, recreation, food, and	Recommendations: H1				
	environmental exposures)	Section 5 – Housing				
		Recommendations: H3, H4				
		Section 6 – Economic Vitality				
		Recommendations: E2,				
		Section 7 – Sustainability and				
		Resiliency Recommendations: \$5, \$6				
		Section 9 – Connectivity, Mobility, and				
6	Faster and a second desired and a second	Access Recommendations: C1, C2, C3,				
6.	Foster green economic development	Section 7 – Sustainability and				
7	Decree describer of freelities	Resiliency Recommendations: S1  Section 7 – Sustainability and				
7.	Decrease dependence on fossil fuels and support energy efficiency and renewable	,				
	energy production	Resiliency Recommendations: S1				
	energy production					

<sup>\*</sup>This table shows Climate Smart Communities Requirements 1-16. All 12 of the requirements will be included in the next iteration of the draft Comprehensive Plan



#### **Key Items for Next Draft:**

- Draft List of Appendices:
  - Community Profile
  - Public Participation Plan
  - Online Community Survey Summary
  - Stakeholder Meeting Summaries
  - Public Meeting/Workshop Summaries
  - Previous Planning Accomplishments from Village



#### PREHENSIVE PLAN

rlay District to protect viewsheds and padways and preserve the character of

prove cleanliness of Downtown and its

ge, based on a palette in use was placed to orient people to the

old announcements / banners at the

utility of VFW park by adding plantings ng furniture (center of Village) (2017). Warburton Avenue (southern gateway for peaceful contemplation (2016): art for public viewing; Eagle Scouts s (2018); also enhanced with Bocce Cour

Warburton Avenue (southern gatewa d outdoor gathering location near ling fixing and painting crumbling wall)

Plaza on Warburton Avenue (northern planters, benches and chairs/tables. d new ones (April 2021). for efforts by local residents ve Wagner Plaza (northern gateway to Battle of Edgar's Lane; project includes ew landscaping and permeable 20K and DPW provided in-kind suppo-

n the northeast corner of Broadway and to the Downtown at Broadway and Main uilding, to help aesthetically improve the effort by volunteers and the Village e volunteers (center of Village) ent Fund for downtown OW to identify a consultant to provide prove the downtown (2019); selected ped Downtown Improvements Study to the community (2019); en ongoing and include purchase of new

ans, new decorative flags, repair of arking lot and construction of new



#### Review of Preliminary Recommendation Prioritization Exercise Results

- Committee members used a SurveyMonkey generated prioritization exercise to identify which recommendations should be initiated in the Short Term (0-2 Years), Medium Term (2-5 Years), or Long Term (5-10).
- This is directly related to the initiation of recommendations only, (not completion) as the recommendations in each chapter will likely be multi-year projects with undetermined timelines.



- The data received from this exercise, coupled with public input, will be used to complete the implementation table for the Comp Plan.
- The categorization of each recommendation will give guidance to the Village as to which recommendations to initiate in the Short Term (0-2 Years), Medium Term (2-5 Years), or Long Term (5-10).



#### History and Placemakina:

4	History & Placemaking				
			Timeframe (Years)		
	Recommended Action	0-2	2-5	5-10	
P1.	Promote adaptive reuse of existing building stock to welcome makers space/studios with an emphasis on innovation and fine arts.	<b>&gt;</b>	>		
P2.	Identify locations for well-connected public space that supports gatherings, cultural performances, and farmers markets.	~			
P3.	Update streetscape (street trees, pedestrian/bike facilities, etc.) on main routes and important thoroughfares.	~			
P4.	Consider a landmark preservation district.			<b>&gt;</b>	

Committee Identified Priority Recommendations:

- P2
- P3

\*Recommendation **P1** received the same number of votes in the "0-2" and "2-5" years categories.

<sup>\*</sup>Yellow highlight indicates priority to discuss



#### Housing:

5	Housing				
			Timeframe (Years)		
	Recommended Action	0-2	2-5	5-10	
H1.	Develop new housing unit targets that are responsive to population trends in both the Village and Westchester County.	~			
H2.	Support Affordable Housing Committee Action Items	~			
Н3.	Conduct a study on opportunities to expand multi- family zones and streamline the development review process.	~			
H4.	Explore incentives to encourage a mix of housing types.	~			
Н5.	Revise the view preservation ordinance to adopt more objective criteria and limit its applicability to selected areas.	~			
Н6.	Review and modify Accessory Dwelling Units ordinance to fast-track the approval process for Accessory Dwelling Units.	~			
Н7.	Conduct a study on how changes to parking regulations, including minimum parking requirements, can support development of affordable units.	~			

# Committee Identified Priority Recommendations:

 All recommendations in Housing were identified as priority recommendations



#### **Economic Vitality:**

6	Economic Vitality				
			Timeframe (Years)		
	Recommended Action	0-2	2-5	5-10	
E1.	Revise the Village Zoning code to promote mixed use development in commercial areas.	~			
E2.	Develop a streetscape plan with desired downtown streetscape aesthetic and implementation strategies.		~		
E3.	Support commercial business incubation and adaptive reuse of existing building stock.		<b>&gt;</b>		
E4.	Prepare a soft sites study identifying areas not maximizing build-out under zoning and potential locations for redevelopment.	~			
E5.	Conduct a study identifying potential areas suitable for both commercial development and higher-density residential development.	~			
E6.	Prepare waterfront redevelopment plan.		>		
E7.	Foster communication among landlords, business owners and Village to mitigate turnover and vacant commercial spaces and identifying incentives.	~			

# Committee Identified Priority Recommendations:

- E1
- E4
- E5
- E7



#### Sustainability & Resiliency:

7	Sustainability & Resiliency				
			Timeframe (Years)		
	Recommended Action	0-2	2-5	5-10	
S1.	Continue to support Climate Smart Community Task Force Efforts.	~			
S2.	Consider developing a local wetland preservation law.		~		
S3.	Conduct a feasibility study identifying Village parking areas (including rail commuter lots) as candidates for green infrastructure elements implementation.	~			
S4	Establish long term education partnerships with environmental groups focused on the waterfront.		~		
S5.	Prepare a study evaluating potential flood hazard mitigation areas and strategies.	~			
S6.	Undertake study of storm sewers and green infrastructure approaches to manage stormwater.	<b>&gt;</b>			
S7.	Support and attract sustainable development along the waterfront and throughout the Village.			~	
S8.	Consider implementing a Green Development Zone.		~		
S9.	Develop Net-Zero/Nature Positive policies for future development.			~	
S10.	Investigate retroactive requirements for buildings to retain stormwater on property.		~		

# Committee Identified Priority Recommendations:

- \$1
- \$3
- \$5
- \$6



#### Sustainability & Resiliency:

8	Recreation			
Recommended Action		Timeframe (Years)		
		0-2	2-5	5-10
R1.	Update the current parks master plan.		>	
R2.	Conduct a Village wide trail improvement and access study.		<b>\</b>	
R3.	Prepare a waterfront redevelopment and park management plan.		>	
R4.	Develop a waterside promenade plan highlighting riverfront access and connectivity and landscaping elements.		>	~
R5.	Promote and potentially expand existing artistic and cultural attractions.			~
R6.	Explore opportunities for water- dependent recreational activities.		<b>&gt;</b>	

<sup>\*</sup>Yellow highlight indicates priority to discuss

# Committee Identified Priority Recommendations:

 No recommendations in Recreation were identified as a priority

\*Recommendation **R4** received the same number of votes in the "2-5" and "5-10" years categories.



#### Connectivity, Mobility, and Access:

9	Connectivity Mobility, and Access					
		Time	Timeframe (Years)			
	Recommended Action	0-2	2-5	5-10		
C1.	Update the complete streets policy (2014).	~				
C2.	Develop a complete streets master plan (including sidewalks).		~			
C3.	Continue supporting circulation improvements identified in the 2011 Comprehensive Plan.	~				
C4.	Prepare a study evaluating multi-modal connectivity performance and identify improvements.	~	~			
C5.	Consider reviewing zoning districts to expand cross-access parking opportunities.		~			

\*Yellow highlight indicates priority to discuss

Committee Identified Priority Recommendations:

- C1
- C3

\*Recommendation **C4** received the same number of votes in the "0-2" and "2-5" years categories.



## Connectivity, Mobility, and Access:

10	The Waterfront					
	Recommended Action		Timeframe (Years)			
			2-5	5-10		
W1.	Expand opportunities for bike and pedestrian access and enhance existing vehicular access to the waterfront.		~			
W2.	Expand public recreational opportunities along the waterfront.		~			
W3.	Incorporate sustainable and resilient practices along the waterfront.		>			
W4.	Improve regular coordination with waterfront property owners.	>				
W5.	Retain the scenic views of the Hudson River and Palisades throughout the Village.	>	>	~		
W6.	Strengthen ongoing efforts to improve and protect water quality in the Hudson River.			~		
W7.	Revise the zoning districts along the waterfront to be consistent with the Waterfront Rezoning Committee's preliminary site plan.	~				

<sup>\*</sup>Yellow highlight indicates priority to discuss

Committee Identified Priority Recommendations:

- W4.
- W7

\*Recommendation **W5** received the same number of votes in the "0-2", "2-5", and "5-10" years categories.



#### Discussion of Committee Comprehensive Plan Comments

#### Overview of Committee member comments received to date:

- Formatting, text editing and sentence revision
- Additional Village history information
- Updating placeholder pictures
- Inclusion of demographic data from surrounding municipalities, County and State
- Inclusion of Executive Summary
- Reference Hastings as "The Village" or Hastings-on-Hudson" only

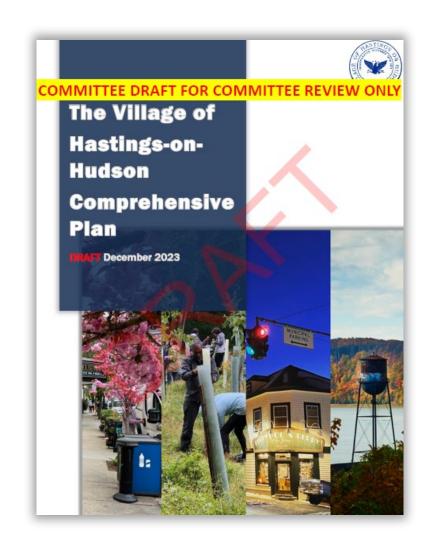
- Hyperlinks to village documents when referenced in Comprehensive Plan
- Additional information and descriptions of Village resources
- Use of alternative descriptive terms (e.g underutilized instead of vacant)
- Connectivity to Yonkers
- \*Conflicting comments regarding creation of a historic landmark district



#### Discussion of Public Meeting #4 / Committee Public Hearing

# Public Meeting #4 - Committee Public Hearing

- This meeting will be scheduled once the Committee decides the draft Comprehensive Plan is ready for public review.
- The draft Comprehensive Plan may have more iterations before it is ready for public review.





## COMMITTEE TASKS



- Draft Comprehensive Plan:
  - Committee Pairing self identified
  - Provide feedback on 2<sup>nd</sup> DRAFT Comprehensive Plan – email MJ
  - Provide additional input on priority recommendations



## **NEXT STEPS**



- Revisions to Draft Comprehensive Plan
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Draft Preparation
  - Committee Pair Review
- Continued preparation of LWRP sections
  - Section IV to be submitted March
- Upcoming Committee Meeting
  - March??



## PUBLIC COMMENT

