City of Dover, New Hampshire
Master Plan Overview and Executive Summary
March 16, 2016
Why Dover Has a Master Plan

Framework for Performance Excellence in Dover: A Systems Perspective

1. Leadership
2. Strategic Planning
3. Customer Focus
5. Workforce Focus
6. Operations Focus
7. Results
Master Plan 101

Driving directions

- via 6th St
- 5 min without traffic • Show traffic
- 6 min
- 2.0 miles

288 Central Ave
Dover, NH 03820

- Head northwest on Central Ave toward St Thomas St
  - 328 ft
- Central Ave turns right and becomes Washington St
  - 0.2 mi
- Turn left onto Main St
  - 0.3 mi
- Continue onto Central Ave
  - 0.1 mi
- Turn left onto 6th St
  - Destination will be on the left
  - 1.4 mi

262 6th St
Dover, NH 03820

These directions are for planning purposes only. You may find that construction projects, traffic, weather, or other events may cause conditions to differ from the map results, and you should plan your route accordingly. You must obey all signs or notices regarding your route.
Master Plan Adoption

Planning Board Oversees
(Guided by RSAs 674:2 - 4 and 675:6)

- The Board may adopt the master plan as a whole, or in sections or parts.
- Plan updates should be every 5 to 10 years.
- The Board shall inform the general public and the Office of Energy and Planning and regional planning commission of updates.
- Public hearing are part of the adoption or amendment.
Chapters Of a Master Plan

- Vision (2012)*
- Land Use (2015)*
- Community Facilities (2009)
- Utilities (2009)
- Recreation (2009)
- Natural Resources (2012)
- Housing (2015)
- Transportation (2016)

In Place  To Be Completed

- Implementation (Ongoing)
- Historic Resources (2016)
- Natural Hazards
- Cultural Resources (2016)
- Energy
- Coastal Mgmt. (2017)
- Regional Concern
- Community Design
- Neighborhood Plan

* = Required  Not Contemplated
## Public Involvement

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*Chair in bold*
Do’s and Don’ts

A Master Plan is:
- The community’s vision
- A living/dynamic document
- A tool for managing growth
- A guide for capital spending
- The City’s strategic plan

A Master Plan is not:
- Regulations
- A static document
- A burden
- Funding
- A place holder
Executive Summary Layout

- Introduction
- Recommendations
  - Vision
  - Land Use
  - Transportation
  - Recreation
  - Conservation and Open Space
  - Natural and Historic Resources
  - Community Facilities and Utilities
  - Transportation Tables
Executive Summary Elements

**CONSERVATION AND OPEN SPACE RECOMMENDATIONS**

**STATUS**

- **Completed Year:** This indicates the year a recommendation was completed.
- **To Be Reviewed:** This recommendation has not been considered yet. (in blue)
- **Not Recommended:** This recommendation was not recommended, the year and who decided not to pursue (in red)
- **Ongoing:** The recommendation has been implemented and is not one with a completion date. – usually a policy or procedure change
- **In Progress (Year):** The recommendation is underway, and has a tentative completion date
- **Other:** Other note or information regarding the recommendation

Complete 2014

- Re-invigorate the Open Lands Committee
Sample Recommendations

- **Recreation**
  - A Dog Park should be constructed
    - Completed, 2010

- **Conservation/Open Space**
  - Raise awareness of accessible conservation lands
    - Ongoing

- **Community Facilities/Utilities**
  - Construct a Police Facility in conjunction with a parking garage downtown
    - In Progress, 2016
Sample Recommendations

- **Land Use**
  - Revise regulations to ensure that low impact storm water facilities, natural resource protection, and other ecological approaches to land use change are required through development review.
  - In Progress, 2016

- **Natural/Historic Resources**
  - Include a biosolid section in the Zoning Code.
    - Not recommended, 2000, Planning Board
  - Establish a Heritage Commission
    - Completed 2015
## Connections to Goals

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Visioning

A City with an emerging urban vibrancy guided by a small town sense of community.

- When Dover celebrates its 400th anniversary in 2023 it will be a dynamic community with an outstanding quality of life because it has achieved the following interconnected characteristics:
Vision Elements

- Safe family friendly neighborhoods, a strong sense of community and an excellent school system,
- The historic downtown is alive and vibrant,
- Government and schools are run effectively and efficiently with full transparency,
- Multiple transportation modes present,
- Traffic volumes/speeds are well managed,
- Dover attracts and retains stable, well-paying jobs,
- Rural character is preserved and infill development is encouraged,
- Enhanced environmental quality in all the City’s activities.
Transportation Chapter

Focus Area Goals for the Chapter– 2015/16

1. Traffic Calming
   1. Local speed
   2. infrastructure

2. Access to Transit

3. Connections
   1. Sidewalk
   2. Neighborhood
   3. Bike

4. Smart City
   1. Technology
   2. Performance measures
Next Steps

MP Years
Next Steps

- **STEWARDSHIP - 2016**
  1. Natural Resources
  2. Cultural and Historic Resources
  3. Energy
  4. Social Capital

- **Coastal Management – 2016/2017**
  1. Climate Adaptation
  2. Coastal Management

- **Community Facilities – 2017**
  1. Maintenance and Investment strategies
  2. Building and Infrastructure Needs
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