City of Dover
Master Plan Overview and Executive Summary
March 07, 2012
A Master Plan

- Is a set of statements about land use and development principles for the municipality with accompanying maps, diagrams, charts and descriptions to give legal standing to the implementation of ordinance and other measures of the Planning Board.

- Should lay out a physical plan which takes into account social and economic values describing how, why, when and where the community should build, rebuild and preserve.
Chapters

- Transportation (2000)
- Cultural Resources
- Historic Resources (2000)
- Community Facilities (2009)
- Regional Concern
- Economic Development (2011)
- Natural Resources (2012)
- Utilities (2009)

In Place  To Be Completed  In Process  Not Contemplated

- Natural Hazards
- Housing (1998)
- Recreation (2009)
- Implementation
- Community Design
- Neighborhood Plan

• Vision (2012)
• Land Use (2007)
Public Involvement

- 411
- 220
- 50

- 522
- 49
- 1000s
Do’s and Don’ts

■ Do think of the Master Plan as:
  ■ The community’s vision
  ■ A living/dynamic document
  ■ A tool for community growth
  ■ A guide for capital investment

■ Don’t think of the Master Plan as:
  ■ Regulations
  ■ A static document
  ■ Funding
  ■ A burden
Master Plan Layout

- Readability is important
  - Chapter text shall be no more than 50 pages
  - White Space for notations
  - Visual elements are embedded with text
  - Reduced redundancy
- Maintain cohesive layout and format
  - Land Use Analysis
  - Recreation
  - Community Facilities and Utilities
- Realistic goals and objectives
Executive Summary Layout

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

#### LAND USE ANALYSIS RECOMMENDATIONS

**Housing Trends**

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| R1 - Eliminate the existing “density bonus” allowances (Chapter 155-22.D1) in the Open Space Subdivision Regulations and consider incentives based on Landscaping, Building Materials, LEEDS Certification, and other environmentally progressive requirements. |

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- This indicates the year a recommendation was completed
- This recommendation has not been considered yet. (in blue)
- This recommendation was not recommended, the year and who decided not to pursue (in red)
- The recommendation has been implemented and is not one with a completion date. – usually a policy or procedure change
- The recommendation is underway, and has a tentative completion date
- Other note or information regarding the recommendation
Sample Recommendations

- **Land Use**
  - G1 – Review the dimensional regulations in zones, updating to promote more environmentally sensitive design ratios and promote proportional development.
    - Completed in 2009
  - IN1 – Update definitions for elderly care facilities.
    - Completed 2011
  - AH4 – Create a separate Housing Chapter of the Master Plan.
    - To Be Reviewed
Sample Recommendations

Transportation

In addition to the funding sources described in this section, The City should consider impact fees when feasible and appropriate. As developers implement projects that have an identifiable impact on the surrounding transportation system, a fee should be exacted. This fee would be used towards offsetting impacts of the development in the form of roadway, intersection and related improvements.

Not recommended, 2010, Planning Board
Sample Recommendations

- Recreation
  - Community Parks
    - Long Hill Memorial Park
      - “...this park can be enhanced with minimal investment to include an element not currently existing among Dover’s parks. A dog park should consist of adequate fencing around the perimeter to contain dogs and prove them a safe place to run free with owner supervision.”
      - Completed in 2010
  - Neighborhood Parks
    - Park Street Park
      - Completed in 2011
Questions?
http://www.dover.nh.gov/planzoning.htm
Next Steps…
Dover 2023

- **Mission:** To fully engage the community in a discussion about what Dover’s core values are and what community changes need to happen to achieve a new, long term vision for Dover’s future 10-20 years from now.

- See how Dover’s changed and where it should evolve to

- [www.dover2023.com](http://www.dover2023.com)
Engagement

Community Conversations

- March 10, 2012
  - Dover Middle School Café
  - 9 am to noon
    - Dover’s Core values & community strengths

- May 5, 2012
  - Dover Middle School Café
  - 9 am to noon
    - How to make it happen

- June 12, 2012
  - Council Chambers
    - Presentation of results to PB

Meetings to develop the Vision concepts

- March 13
  - Garrison School

- March 14
  - Woodman Park School
  - Thurs. March 22
    - Horne Street School

All at 7 pm in cafe