

Land Use Planning

COFFEE & CONVERSATION

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Urban Planning in the U.S.

A response to urban conditions during the Industrial Revolution

- Public health concerns and sanitation
- Manufacturing pollution
- Light – Height, spacing, design of structures

1916 – NYC implements first city-wide zoning code

1922 – US Dept. of Commerce adopts State Zoning Enabling Act



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Suburban Sprawl – 1950's to present

- Growth of national highway system
- Single-use zoning
- Land consumption
- Habitat loss
- Vehicular oriented
- Single family zoning



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New Urbanist Movement 1990's to present

- Return to urbanism
- Retrofitting suburbia
- Density
- Efficiency of land
- Preservation of open space
- Mixed use zoning
- Multimodal transportation
- Economic & social diversity



NH Land Use Codes

NH State Enabling Statues - Revised Statutes Annotated (RSAs)

Master Plan (RSA 674:2)

- Based on public outreach; census data; studies
- Vision, goals, & objectives for community

Zoning Ordinance – adopted by elected officials (RSA 674:16)

- Implements the Master Plan
- Legally enforceable

Site Plan & Subdivision Regulations – adopted by Planning Board (674:43)

- Implements the Master Plan & Zoning Ordinance



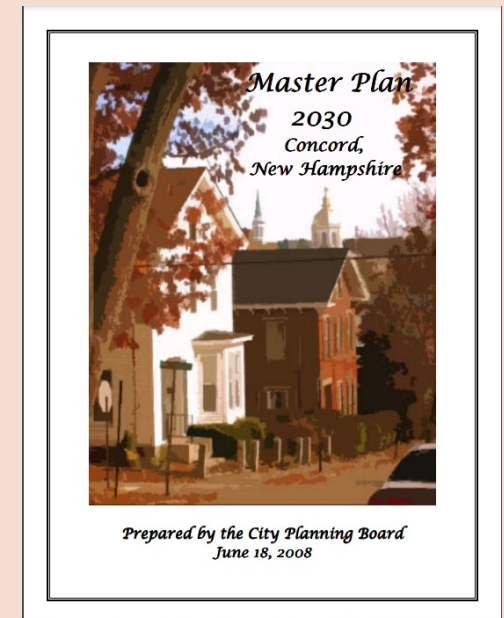
NH Master Plans

MUST include:

- Vision section
- Land Use section – existing and future land use based on population, economic activity, and natural, historic and cultural resources

May also include:

- Transportation
- Community Facilities
- Economic Development
- Natural Resources
- Natural Hazards
- Recreation
- Utility & Public
- Historic Resources
- Neighborhood Plans
- Regional Concerns
- Community Design
- Housing
- Implementation
- Energy
- Coastal Management



Public Participation Methods

Tools

- Workshops/Charrettes
- Visioning Sessions
- Surveys – online or in person
- Seek people out in their environments
- Provide child care or compensation
- Use technology (clickers or phones)
- Interactive maps
- Visual Preference survey
- Pop up events
- Piggy back on other events

Strategies for engagement

- Listen, Repeat, Respond (don't argue)
- Write everything said down on a large pad
- Have prepared questions
- Provide materials (pens, pads, markers)
- Provide alternatives
- Collect emails and follow up
- Have food!!

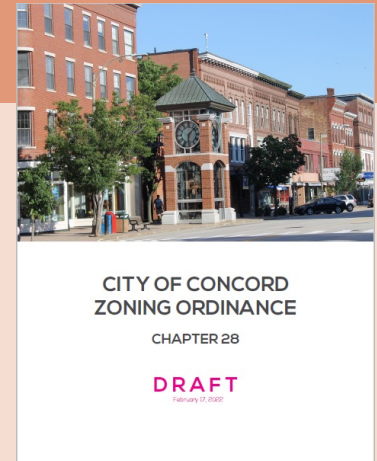
Equity
Generate
Ideas
Support

Upcoming Events

City of Concord Zoning Revision – Phase 2

Online visioning sessions

- March 29th 12-1:30 pm
- March 29th 7-8:30 pm – Penacook Community Focus
- March 31st 7-8:30 pm – Heights Community Focus



These sessions will focus on new development visions for commercial, industrial, and high density residential development in key areas of the City.

Code Studio will be on the call to present various development types and get feedback from participants.

For more information, reach out to the Planning Division at 225-8515.

Visit the project website at www.concordNEXT.info