

Recent Municipal Planning Documents

Manchester-by-the-Sea Master Plan

2014 Manchester-by-the-Sea Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP)

This plan provides an assessment of Manchester's open space and recreational lands and programs and recommends a series of actions for managing and improving existing lands and enhancing and promoting their use. It also identifies additional resource protection opportunities. The OSRP is required to be updated and approved every 7 years for the Town to remain eligible for grant funding from the State of Massachusetts.

2015 Town of Manchester Community Preservation Plan

This plan identifies the Community Preservation Committee's (CPC) mission, guiding principles, and target allocation goals. The document sets goals for community housing, historic preservation, open space, and outdoor recreation.

2015 Town of Manchester-by-the-Sea Housing Production Plan

The Housing Production Plan identifies demographic, economic and housing characteristics and trends, assesses housing needs, and offers strategies to help meet affordable housing goals.

2015 Downtown Low Impact Development (LID) Feasibility Study

This study identifies, defines, and assesses Low Impact Development (LID) Best Management Practice (BMP) solutions that reduce flooding, improve water quality and are feasible in the urbanized downtown defined as along Center Street from Pine Street to Beach Street including the municipal parking area behind Town Hall.

2016 Wastewater Management Plan

This plan builds upon the findings of earlier studies that identified and evaluated wastewater needs to identify possible alternatives to accommodate those needs, evaluate the cost effectiveness, feasibility and environmental impact of the alternatives, demonstrate that the final plan is achievable from legal, institutional, financial, and management perspectives, and provide the basis for subsequent design and construction.

2016 Sawmill Brook Culvert and Green Infrastructure Analysis

This analysis documents existing conditions within the Sawmill Brook watershed, and identifies opportunities for flood reduction including flood storage, culvert improvements, and green stormwater infrastructure to mitigate current and potential future flooding, while simultaneously providing water quality and habitat benefits. Nine conceptual mitigation designs were prepared and the projects were prioritized considering costs, health and safety, flood mitigation benefit, water quality and habitat improvement, permitting needs, long term maintenance needs and coordination with other town projects.

2012 Hazard Mitigation Plan and 2016 Enhancement

The 2012 HMP identifies risks and vulnerabilities in Manchester associated with natural disasters, and offers long-term strategies for protecting people and property from future hazard events. Implementing the recommendations of the HMP is key to breaking the cycle of disaster damage, reconstruction, and repeated damage. The 2016 Hazard Mitigation Plan Enhancement is incorporating new vulnerability and risk assessment content into the current HMP which characterizes flooding impacts resulting from sea level rise, storm surge and extreme precipitation and their potential effects on critical sectors of the Town.

2016 Town Facilities Master Plan (underway)

The Town Facilities Master Plan will evaluate the buildings that serve Town Government, the Department of Public Works, Fire, Police and Council on Aging to determine if they are meeting the current and near future needs of the community. The Plan will identify a program for each building, identify and assess potential development sites and provide options with conceptual budgets, site plans and evaluation criteria.

2017 Complete Streets Prioritization Plan (to begin this year)

This project will document and map existing road, sidewalk, trails and infrastructure and identify gaps in the town's accessible transportation network. It will then generate a master list of potential complete street projects and rank them based on safety, mobility, accessibility, and system continuity criteria. It will identify the streets, infrastructure, cost estimate and timeline for desired Complete Street improvements, and will align with master plan goals and roadway maintenance schedules.



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