

TO: Planning Board
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SUBJECT: Planners Report, Project Updates
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Master Plan

The second Master Plan Committee meeting was held on May 6th with eight members in attendance. Greg Federspiel also attended.

- Discussed planning framework (planning processes and how they inform/interact with MP)
- Discussed ideas and preferences for document content and format
- Discussed community visioning and tasked themselves with each interviewing four community members with two questions:
 - What in or about Manchester is important to you?
 - What in or about Manchester would you like to see change
- Voted Susan Beckman and Gary Russell as co-chairs.

The next meeting date was set for June 10th at 7:30 PM. Please feel free to join us and/or contact me with any questions/ideas.

Community Preservation Plan

The Community Preservation Plan consultant submitted draft guiding principles and goals based on outcomes of CPA Workshop.

Followed up workshop with article in Cricket that focused on key findings, primarily the importance of supporting community housing.

Housing Production Plan

The town's housing consultant, Karen Sunnarborg, after meeting initially with Sue Thorne and me, has been interviewing town staff and other housing stakeholders to understand the town's history with respect to community/affordable housing and potential.

A draft housing assessment will be submitted in late May, and a public forum is tentatively scheduled for June 17.

School Wind Turbine Project

I am continuing to meet with Eddie Beauregard (HS Green Team Member) to help him complete the Special Permit Application. His project team has been working on the presentation and hopes to submit the application this week.

Applications

I am happy to discuss draft application process checklist with anyone on the Board who might wish to further this initiative.

Technical Advisory Committee

I have researched Technical Advisory/Review Committees that serve Planning and Zoning Boards by meeting with site plan and special permit applicants prior to application submittal to review draft plans and offer ideas that will help the applicant put forth a complete and defensible plan. I will submit a proposal for putting in place a TAC for the Board's consideration.