

PATHWAY TO OUR FUTURE
GUILDERLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN



Comprehensive Plan Update
Committee Meeting #10

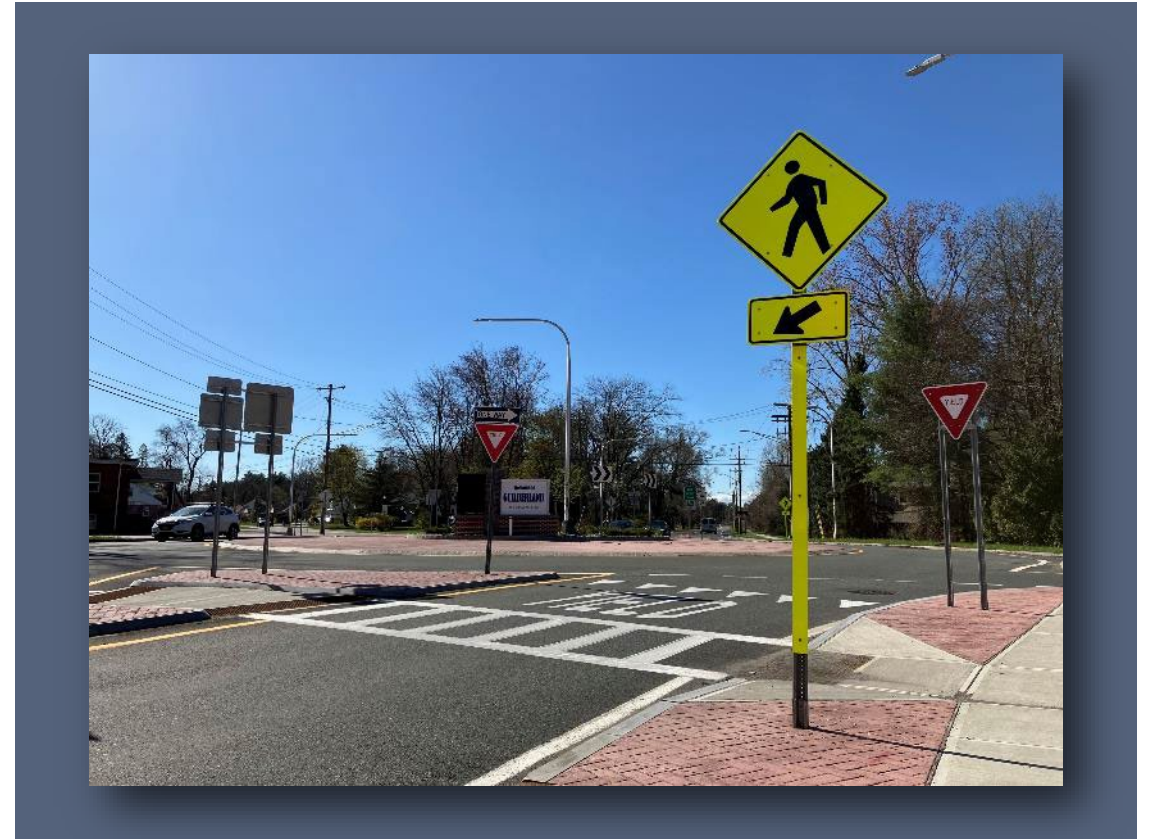
MAY 14, 2024

Guiderland Town Hall



AGENDA

- Welcome
- Project Update
- Overview of Preliminary Draft
Comprehensive Plan – Committee Draft
- Committee Working Draft Review
Responsibilities
- Priorities Map Discussion
- CPUC Open Discussion
- Next Steps
- Public Comment



PROJECT UPDATE



- *CPUC Kick-off
- Initiate Community Profile & Inventory
- Public Engagement Plan
- Project Website & Branding

Fall 2022

- 1st Round Public Engagement
- Community Profile & Inventory

Winter 2022-23

- 2nd Round Public Engagement
- Draft Vision/Goals

Spring 2023

- Subcommittee Work
- Draft Recommendations

Summer/Fall 2023

- 3rd Round Public Engagement
- Draft Plan

Winter 2023/
Spring 2024

- 4th Round Public Engagement (CPUC Public Hearing)
- Final Comprehensive Plan
- Plan Adoption Process

Summer 2024

*CPUC Meetings – Every other month



Public Engagement

- ☑ Project Website Comment Portal
 - ☑ Public Open House & Visioning Workshop
 - ☑ Stakeholder Focus Groups
 - ☑ Community Survey
 - ☑ Student Engagement
 - ☑ Public Workshop #2
 - ☑ Public Open House #3
- Public Meeting #4/Public Hearing**

Remaining CPUC/Public Meetings (Anticipated)

July 24, 2024- CPUC #11

Purpose:

Discuss Refinements to Draft Plan
If ready, schedule CPUC Public Hearing/Meeting #4

August, 2024- CPUC #12 (if needed)

Purpose:

Discuss revisions to Draft Plan
Consider Vote to Advance Draft Plan to Town Board

Summer 2024 – Public Meeting #4/CPUC Public Hearing

- ***Date to be Determined***
- ***Purpose:*** Requirement per Town Law 272-a; gather public input on Draft Plan

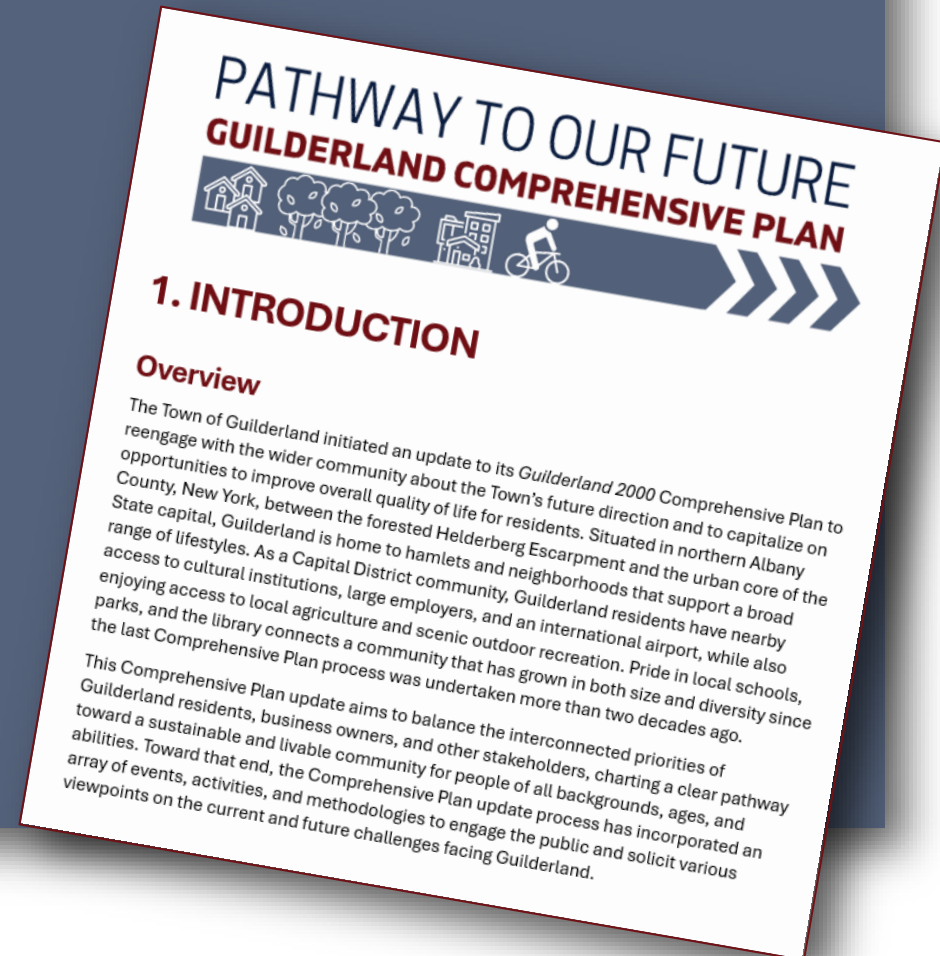


OVERVIEW OF PRELIMINARY DRAFT PLAN

Preliminary Draft Comprehensive Plan Document consists of:

Introduction

- Overview
- Planning Process
- Public Engagement
- Plan Organization
- Challenges & Opportunities
- Vision
- Goals



Preliminary Draft Comprehensive Plan Document consists of:

Theme Sections

- Agriculture
- Business, Employment & Fiscal Resources
- Environment, Climate Change & Resiliency
- Neighborhoods & Housing
- Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Historic Resources
- Transportation & Mobility

Each Theme Section Includes:

- **Goal(s)**
- **Relevant Town-Specific Data**
- **Key Priorities via Input**
- **Connection to Town Character**
- **Tables/Maps**
- **Recommendations**



OVERVIEW OF PRELIMINARY DRAFT PLAN

Preliminary Draft Comprehensive Plan Document consists of:

Governance

- Boards/Committees/Departments
- Infrastructure/Utilities
- Recommendations

Implementation

- Overview
- Recommendations
- Implementation Table

Priorities Map

Appendices Include:

- Public Meeting Materials
- Community Survey Data
- CDRPC Demographic Report
- Transportation Council Report
- CPUC Meeting Summaries





Working Draft Review Responsibilities

- CPUC members focus on two (2) theme sections to provide written feedback to MJ
- Members are welcome to provide input on other sections, as schedules allow
- All members review Introduction and Implementation sections, as well as Priorities Map (members are encouraged to review entire document)





Working Draft Review Responsibilities

Focus of Review:

- Are there elements which are unnecessary and should be cut?
- Are there elements that are unclear? What would clarify those elements?
- Are there additional elements – e.g., informational call-out boxes, supporting data, images – that you feel would strengthen a given section?
- Focused on ideas/content, as opposed to grammatical/lexical review at this stage





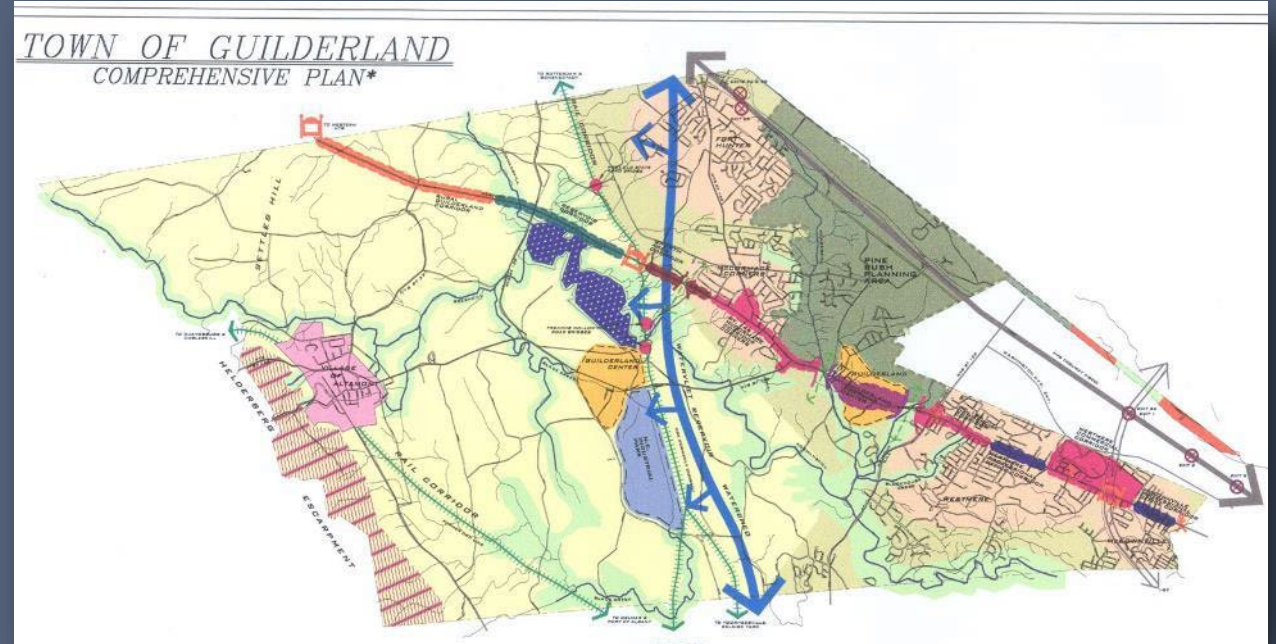
Working Draft Review Responsibilities

Plan Section	Review Responsibilities
Introduction	All
Agriculture	Jim, Dominic, Stephen
Business, Employment & Fiscal Resources	Elizabeth, Jim, Rich
Environment, Climate Change & Resiliency	Caitlin, Stephen, Lisa
Neighborhoods & Housing	Cody, Elizabeth, Tara
Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Historic Resources	Lisa, Cody, Dominic
Transportation & Mobility	Rich, Caitlin, Tara
Governance	Town Staff
Implementation	All
Priorities Map	All



DRAFT PRIORITIES MAP DISCUSSION

- Intent is to represent graphically key priorities for future of Guilderland, as identified through public/CPUC input throughout Comprehensive Plan Update process
- Much public input prioritized open-space preservation efforts, redevelopment of existing sites = Not a great deal of recommended changes to land uses



Map from Guilderland 2000 Comprehensive Plan



DRAFT PRIORITIES MAP DISCUSSION

DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS DISCUSSION

Town Character Factors



Light commercial/retail in areas other than Western Ave

Desire for more recreation and community gathering spaces

Redevelopment/adaptive reuse of properties

Increase walkability with sidewalks and multi-use trails

Develop building, landscaping, and signage guidelines

Preservation of viewsheds – Escarpment & rural corridors

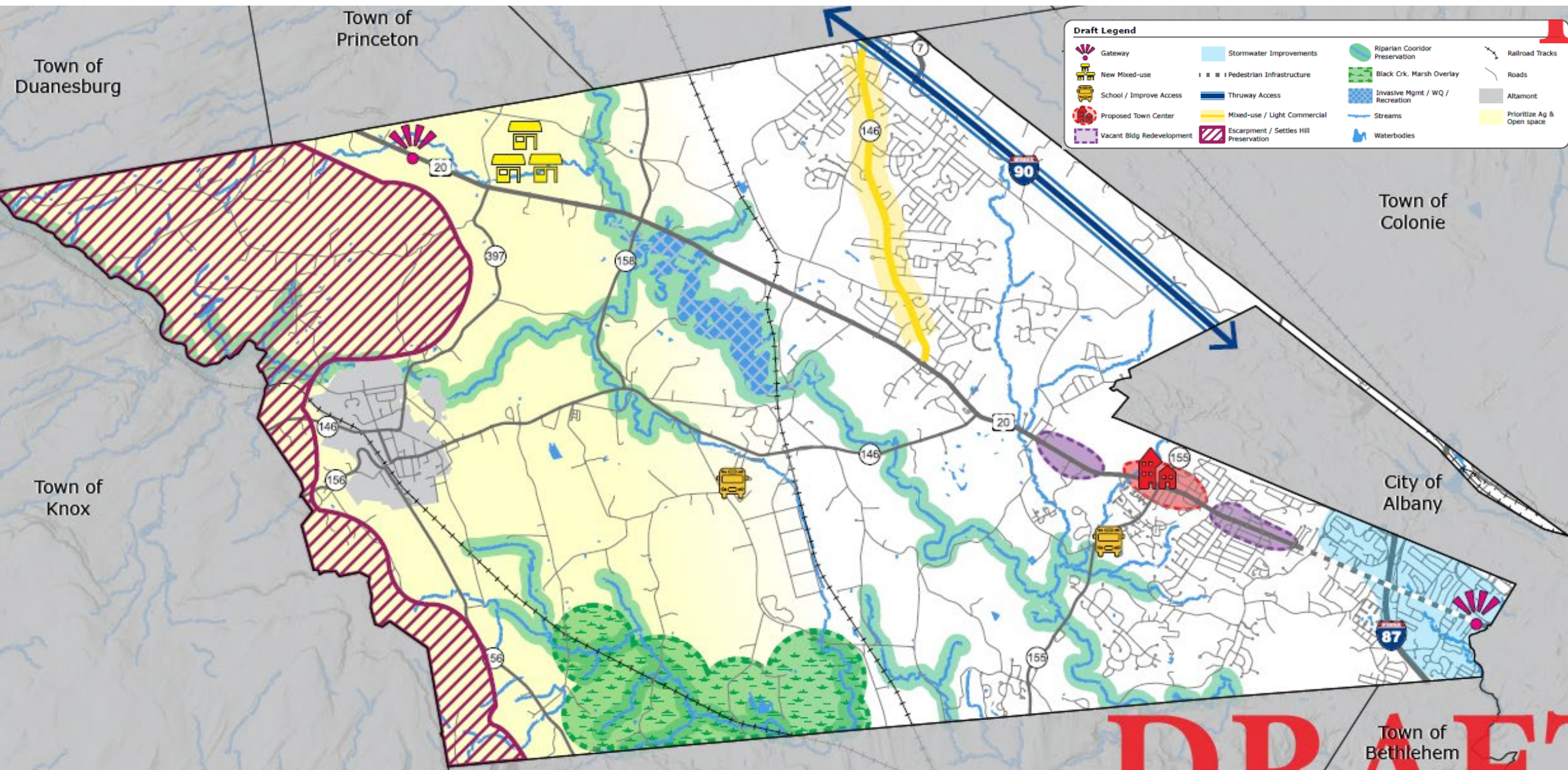
Preserve agricultural land and open space

Improve traffic conditions, esp. Western Ave + schools

Promote street tree planting; town arborist



DRAFT PRIORITIES MAP DISCUSSION



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CPUC OPEN DISCUSSION



NEXT STEPS

- CPUC Review of Committee Working Draft
 - CPUC Comments to MJ by **June 11, 2024**
- Next CPUC Meeting – **July 24, 2024**



PUBLIC COMMENT



Photo submitted by Guilderland Community Survey respondent

