North Hampton Village District Master Plan

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Village Master Plan Process

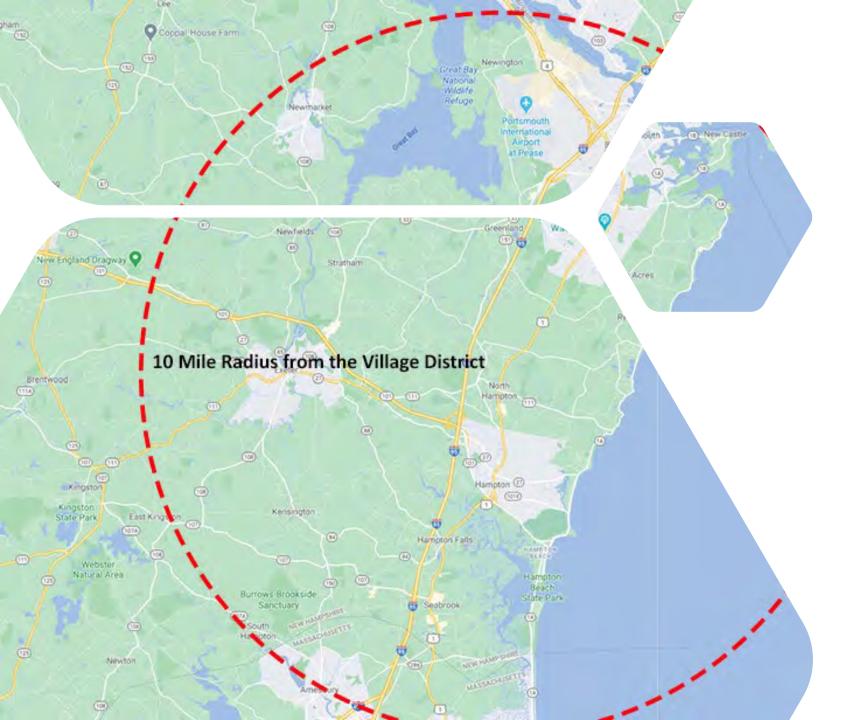
1. Identify Goals for Creating Master Plan	2. Research Project Area and Identify Opportunities and Constraints	3. Research Data Sources: Planning Regulations, Current Master Plan, UNH Survey, etc	4. Public Outreach: Collect Vision/Ideas/Opinions and Identify Opportunities and Constraints	5. Create Master Plan and Make Planning Recommendations	6. Receive EDC Comments and Finalize Master Plan Documents
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EDC 2018 Vision Statement

North Hampton's Village Center will provide an environment that:

- 1. Effectively manages access among and between developed properties
- 2. Is more aesthetically pleasing with functional landscaping for residents and visitors
- 3. Offers safe and efficient travel options for pedestrians and motorists
- 4. Supports commercial success of locally oriented businesses
- Attracts destination businesses offering goods and services as desired by residents and attractive to visitors

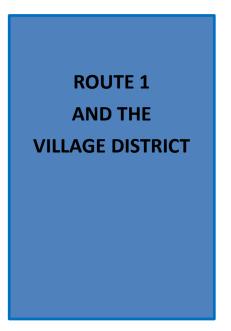


Seacoast Region

- Village District appeal extends beyond North Hampton
- Route 1 in North Hampton services local, commuter, and seasonal travel
- Route 1 averages 16,000 vehicles/day
- Traffic seen as a positive and negative from outreach meeting participants.
- Traffic volume impacts DOT project prioritization.

Route 1 Corridor Vision

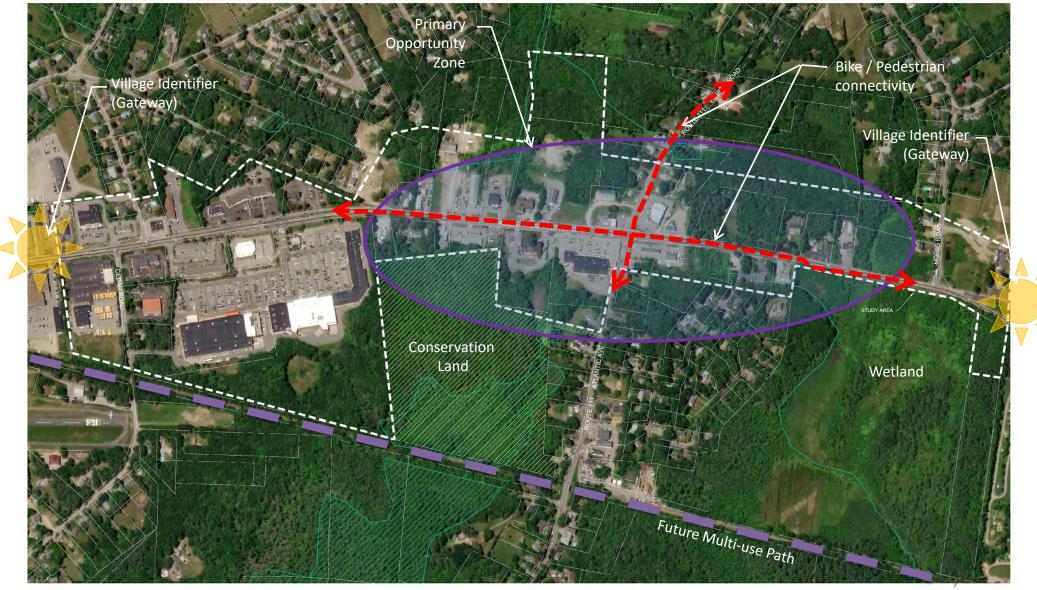




NHDOT (2011 Rt 1 Corridor Study)



Opportunities and Constraints





North Hampton Village District Planning



Median – Path Concepts



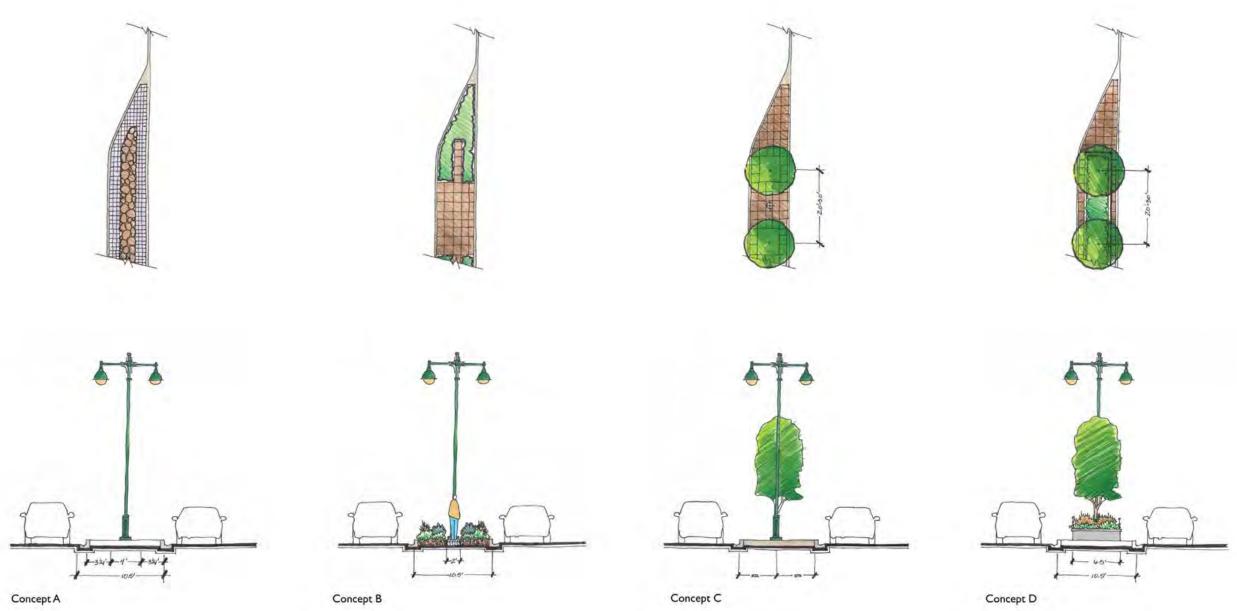
Separated Road – Multi Use Path





Median – Road – Path

Median Concepts







Gateway Elements

PROS:

- CALMS TRAFFIC FROM ALL DIRECTIONS 1.
- **BEAUTIFIES THE INTERSECTION** 2.
- 3. SAFE PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS



Gateway Element Examples

Village District Master Planning Process



RE-IMAGINE PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT OFF ROUTE 1



Study of Successful Communities

- In creating master planning concepts, we examined communities with similar economic goals and objectives as North Hampton
 - During outreach, these community examples were discussed in the context of project "visioning" efforts
 - Placemaking, creating "cache", vibrancy, sense of place
 - Creating a notable destination
- Identified features from other communities that resonated with outreach meeting participants
- Identified development trends

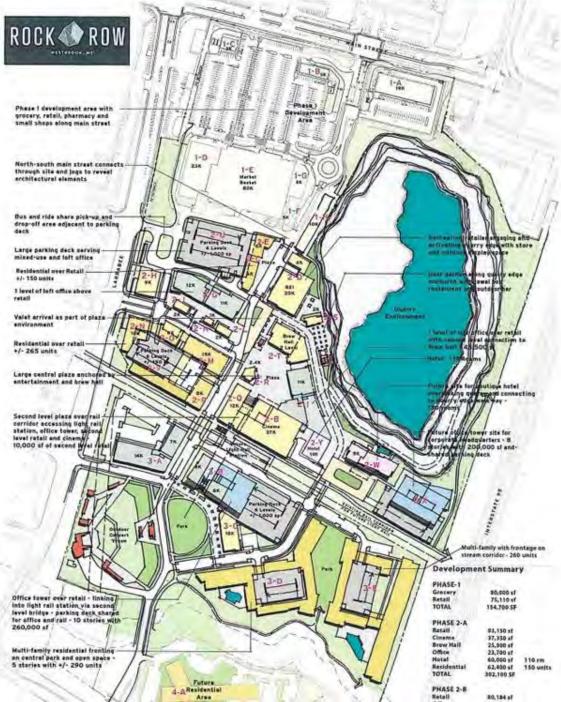
Property Desirability for Redevelopment



Rock Row Westbrook, ME

- 450,000 sf retail space
- 25,000 sf restaurant space
- 750 Residential Units
- 300,000 sf class A office space
- 100,000 sf medical office
- 26ac recreation space







NEW DESTINATION NESTLED BETWEEN IT ALL

THE COMMONS SITE

- RETAIL / 100K SQ FT
- APARTMENTS / 150 UNITS
- RESTAURANTS / 8 SPOTS
- BREWERY / 1 BUILDING









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Housing Recommendations

Recommendation 1

Encourage the availability of diverse housing opportunities for all citizens of the region. Work toward growth in housing to match growth in employment, and advocate for the allowance of a balance of housing styles, densities, and a distribution of prices that are affordable to a range of income levels.

Recommendation 2

Develop programs to educate the public about the economic effects of local regulations and the importance and value of adequate affordable housing for a sustainable economy.

Recommendation 3

Encourage communities to consider areas of town suited for mixed-use and incorporate land use ordinances and regulations that will allow this. The concepts included in these ordinances would include allowances for higher densities, more diverse permitted uses, reduced setbacks, etc.

Recommendation 4

Encourage the construction of single family homes and multi-family dwellings which are energy efficient in their design and use construction materials that are energy efficient in their design.

Recommendation 5

Encourage municipalities to consider expanding existing water and sewer service areas. Encourage communities without such systems to consider constructing them. Alternatively, municipalities should consider allowing community water or septic systems in appropriate areas of town. These are small systems, often development-based and maintained by an association of homeowners that allow the project developer to realize a diminished land development cost thereby enabling the construction of affordable units.

Recommendation 6

Balance the need for additional housing development with the need to preserve open space and identify and protect green belts, wildlife habitats and other linkages with existing open space and conservation lands.

Recommendation 7

Provide visual examples of a range of alternative, affordable housing developments, highlighting quality architecture, design and integration into the community.

Recommendation 8

Promote the development of infill housing and, where appropriately sited, the redevelopment of brownfield sites for residential and supporting land uses.

Recommendation 9

Collaborate with not-for-profit housing organizations, government agencies, developers and builders in pursuing options and solutions for meeting the housing needs of the region.

Rockingham Planning Commission Regional Master Plan

Recommendation 10

Promote the development of mixed-income multi-family housing at appropriate locations along major corridors and near employment centers.

Recommendation 11

Encourage communities to use incentive programs such as low income or historic preservation tax credits to support the development of workforce housing.

Recommendation 12

Encourage the creation of residential use of downtown second and third story spaces above commercial.

Recommendation 13

Evaluate the potential for zoning ordinance models that support the preservation or replacement of affordable housing affected by redevelopment.

Recommendation 14

Work with larger communities and the New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority to help preserve affordability in existing subsidized rental housing by monitoring the expiration of subsidy commitments and income or rent limitations in the developments.

Recommendation 15

Encourage and facilitate the use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and other funds to rehabilitate and improve housing stock serving low to moderate income homeowners and renters.

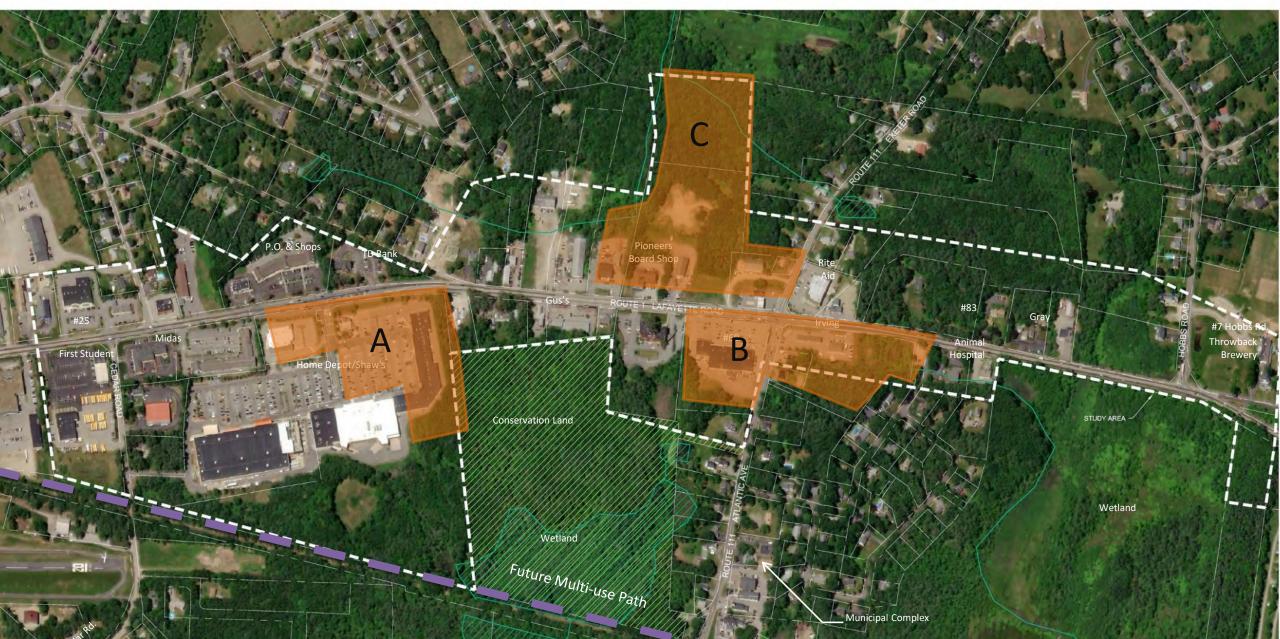
Recommendation 16

Assist communities in evaluating their compliance with state statutes regarding workforce housing and continue to maintain and update the regional housing needs assessment per RSA 36:47 II.

Recommendation 17

Encourage and support the Pease Development Authority to consider amending its land use plan to allow mixed residential use in appropriate locations.

Development Concepts

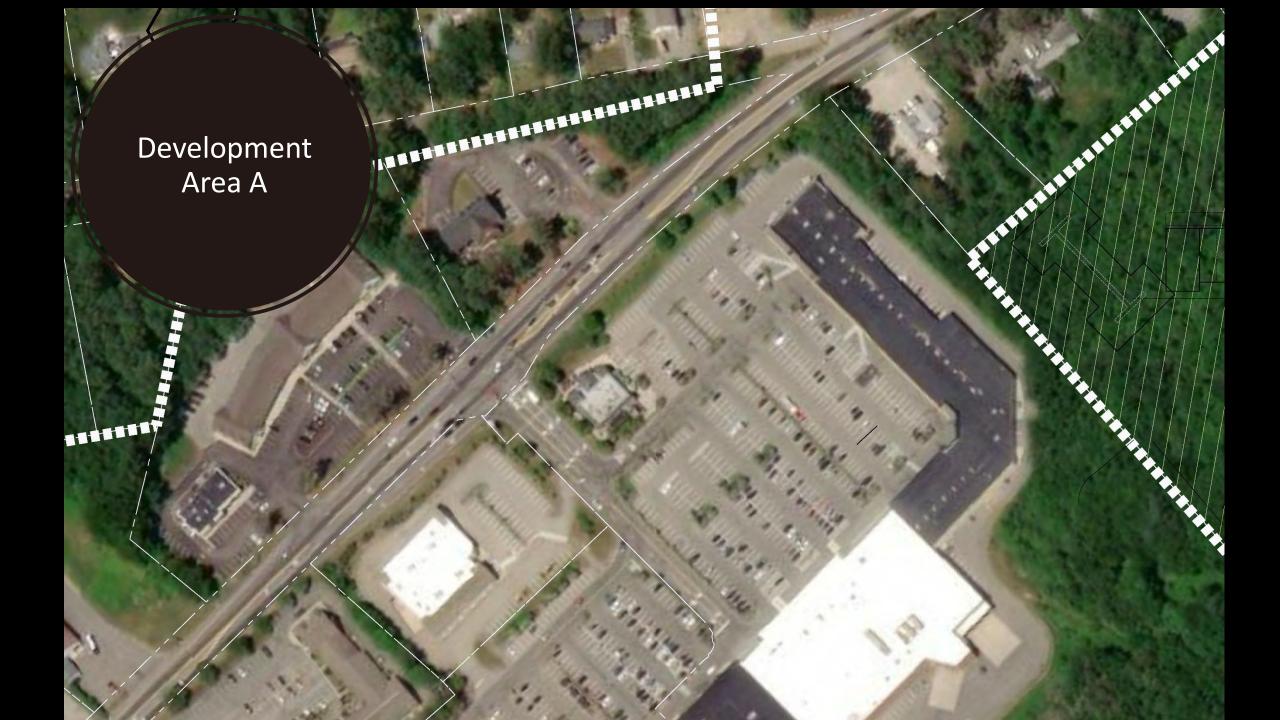


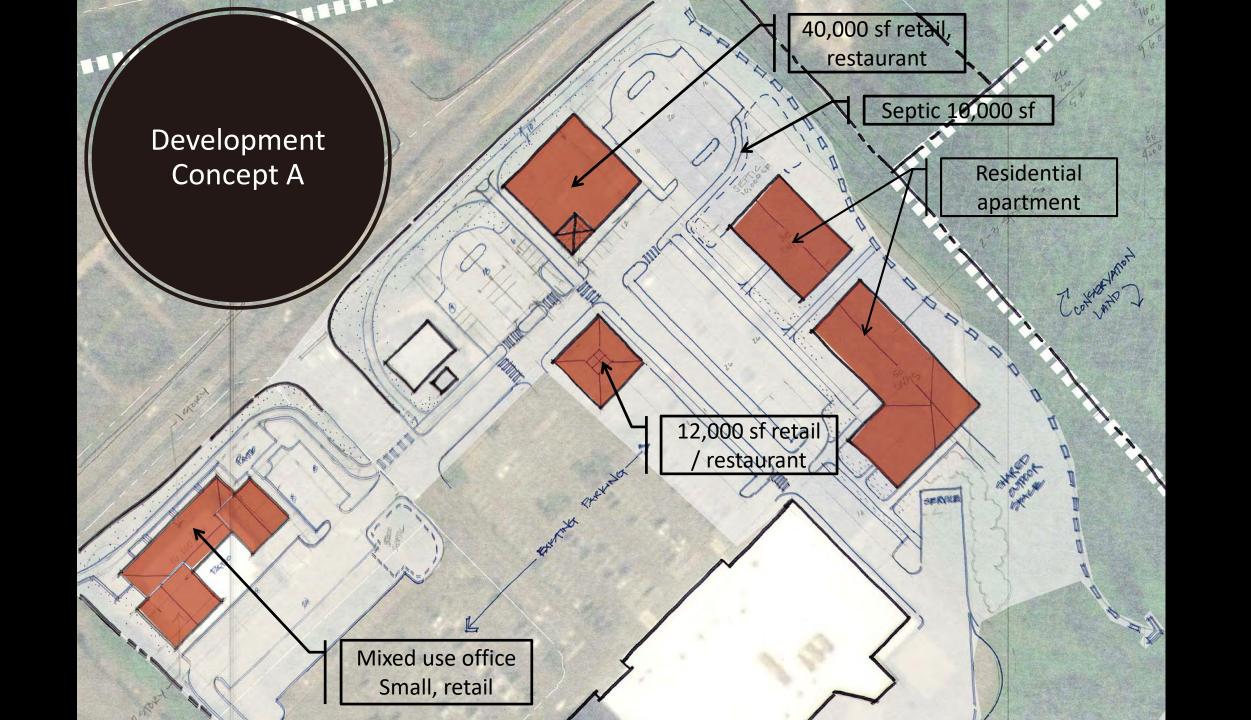
Assumptions

• Zoning will be revised to ensure desired development and building "forms" are realized

Clear and consistent zoning regulations and process encourage investment

- Public sewer would be helpful but not required to support master plan vision for Village District
- In master planning, these underutilized locations are available for development and redevelopment properties
 - Lot sizes don't meet minimum standards







Specialty Retailer

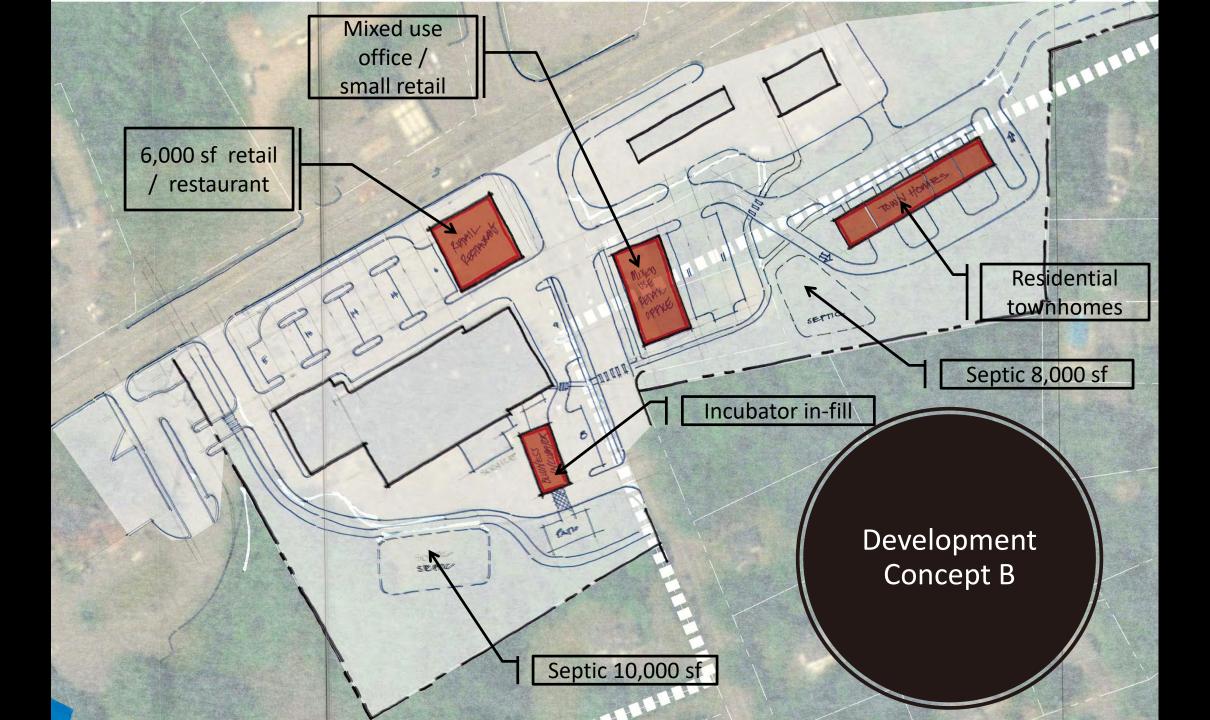
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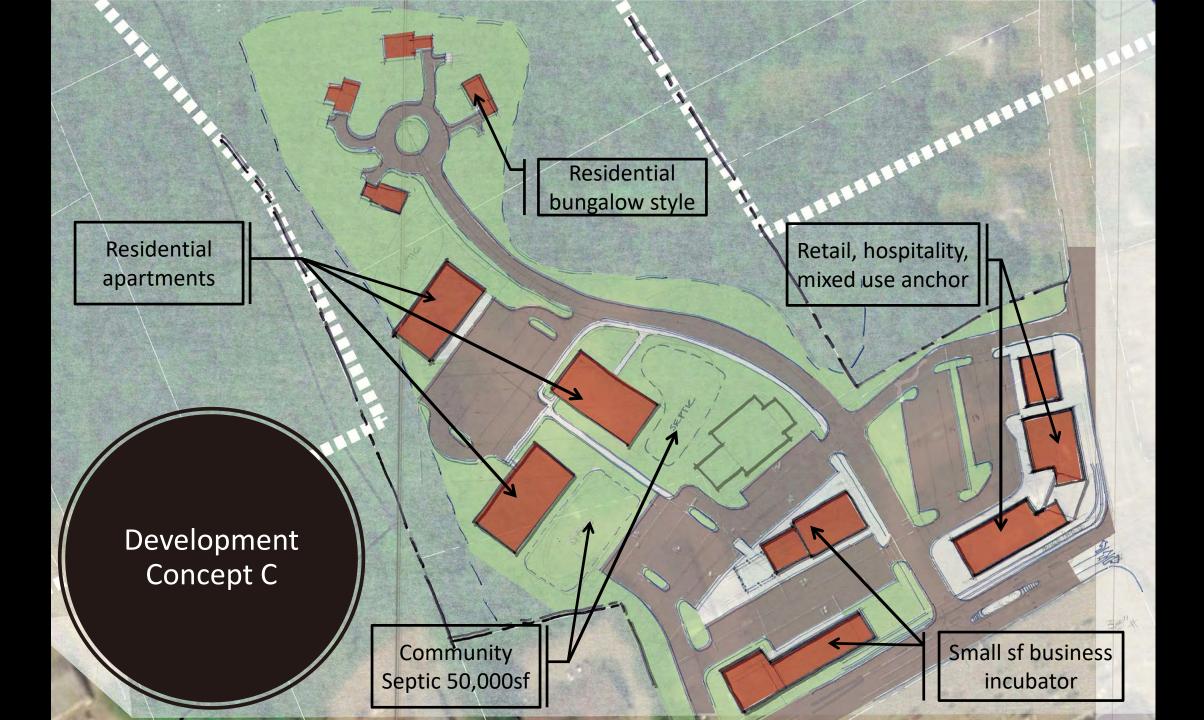






GARAGE PLAN SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"









Open Space Residential Development Exeter, NH



Incremental Change

- Alter the way we look at development
- Focus on the form (appearance, scale, architectural quality) of development to ensure harmony with a community's core values and vision
- Encourage greater economic opportunity through flexibility, higher density, and diversity of use



Enhancements to the Village District

- Create Consistent, Cohesive Town Development Standards for the Village District
 - Sidewalks or multi use path
 - Public amenities and lighting
 - Landscaping
 - Signage
 - Shared parking
 - Shared service areas (dumpsters, recycling, etc)

Zoning Regulations Strengthen a Community

- Regulations can promote a clear and concise outcome for development.
- Regulations must be
 - Consistent
 - Flexible and able to withstand some occasional modification
 - Reflect a community's vision and values

Next Steps for EDC and North Hampton

Build	Conduct	Perform	Promote	Start
Build on the zoning analysis conducted for the Village District Master Plan	Conduct an audit of current zoning	Perform a Development Analysis including a TIF District evaluation	Promote Economic Development utilizing District Master Plan graphics and presenting community sentiments collected during public outreach	Start a discussion with NHDOT; consider applying for TAP or CMAQ funding for multi-modal transit and streetscape improvements

Thank you



