P&Z Commission Meetings – OXFORD
NVCOG
Regional Plan of Conservation and Development
2023
Why are we here?

NVCOG Regional Plan of Conservation and Development (RPOCD)

1. Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments – Who we are, what we do
2. RPOCD Purpose - Why plan regionally?
3. RPOCD Primer - What is it? How is it used?
4. Some Regional Trends
5. Questions for You
6. Next Steps
What is NVCOG?

- **Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments**
- Offices in Waterbury
- **Voluntary** association of 19 municipalities
- **Municipal CEO's** - NVCOG Board
- State designated **Regional Planning Organization (RPO)**
- Federally designated **Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)** - Transportation
- **Staff of professionals**
- **Regional Planning Commission**
Why Plan Regionally?

• Interdependence of municipalities
• Many issues and goals cross municipal boundaries
• Local impact of regional issues
• Maximizes benefits and minimizes costs

Regional Issues with Local Impact

• New Technology and Industries
• Attracting and retaining younger residents
• Supporting an aging population
• Support existing small business and attract new economic investment
• Protect and connect natural resources
What is an RPOCD?

- **Visionary** and **Advisory** policy document
- **Planning tool** (CGS Section 8-35a)
- Identifies **issues** and **opportunities** that **cross municipal boundaries**
- **Cohesive regional vision**
- **Respects the identities** of each municipality
What is an RPOCD?

- **Broad Brush Perspective**
- **Based on:**
  - Municipal and State POCD, Data, and Public Input
  - Patterns and Trends
  - **Preferred** land use
  - Best Practices
- **Who Uses It?** – NVCOG, Muni’s
- **Who Adopts it?** - NVCOG Board – municipal CEO’s

Over Next Ten Years

Conservation vs. Development
Key Components of the NVCOG RPOCD

1. Existing Conditions Report
   • Where have we come from? Regional History
   • Where are we now? Conditions & Trends
   • Identify Key Issues and Opportunities

2. Regional Goals and Strategies
   • Shared Visions and Values
   • Recommendations to address key issues and opportunities

3. Regional Land Use Map Suite
   • Areas preferred for conservation, development or both
   • Thematic maps – future land use, demographic, social, economic, natural resources
Anticipated Timeline for NVCOG RPOCD

**Identify Problems Issues, Concerns, Studies**
- Summer 2022 - Fall 2022
  - Municipal Land Use Depts meetings
  - P & Zoning Commissions meetings
  - Two Online Surveys

**Develop Plan Goals, Strategies and Policies**
- Fall 2022 - Winter 2023
  - Final Existing Conditions Report
  - Regional Thematic Meetings
  - Online Comment
  - Draft Goals and Strategies
  - Draft Map Suite

**Draft Regional Plan**
- Spring 2023 - Summer 2023
  - RPC review
  - Public Comment
  - Final Draft Plan
  - Online Interactive Maps

**Plan Review and Adoption, Track progress**
- Summer 2023 – Fall 2023
  - P&Z Commissions Review
  - Public Comment
  - NVCOG Adoption meeting
  - Publish Final Plan

Meetings RPC Working Group for RPOCD, RPC Input
Some regional trends:

1. Aging Population
2. Residents who Live and Work in the Same Community Decreasing
Aging Population - Regional

Percent Residents

ACS 2010  ACS 2020  Projected 2030

0%  10%  20%  30%  40%  50%  60%  70%

Working Age

Ages 0-17 years  Ages 18-64 years  Ages 65+ years

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Aging Population - Oxford

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Working Age
Live and Work in Same Community

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Questions for you - Let’s Discuss!

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RPOCD 2023 Online Survey

- Please share your thoughts about how you live, work, learn and play in the Naugatuck Valley Region!
- Helps NVCOG identify strategies and best practices to achieve land use goals
- Survey open to December 31, 2022
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Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2050 (MTP 2050)

- **Long-term** vision for Transportation in the NV Region
- **All aspects** of transportation system
- Guides **federal spending** and **project prioritization**
- **Quadrennial** update to be adopted in 2023
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Share your thoughts!
Thank You!
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