

**Town Center Planning Committee Public Forum**  
**October 17, 2013**

**Below is the proposed vision statement for Town Center Planning Committee:**

*To create an identifiable, vibrant downtown that includes mixed retail uses for residents and visitors, a safe and inviting pedestrian and bicycle environment, a common meeting place, visual vitality, and linkages to the town's open space and nearby residential neighborhoods.*

Does this reflect your vision for Cape Elizabeth's Town Center? (Why or why not?)

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What do you like about the current Town Center? (What should stay the same?)

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What would you like to change about the current Town Center? (What would you like to see added? Taken away?)

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**The committee has discussed several approaches to looking at the Town Center district. Please share your thoughts about the following:**

**Research**

Should the town hire an independent firm to conduct an assessment of the economic development potential for the Town Center of Cape Elizabeth? (The assessment could evaluate the economic viability of Town Center.)

- ◇ **Yes**
- ◇ **No**

Should the town hire a firm to conduct a statistically-valid survey to assess the desires of residents for future Town Center development/growth?

- ◇ **Yes**
- ◇ **No**

Are there other studies/research you would like to see explored prior to moving forward with recommendations? Please elaborate.

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### **Housing**

Should more multi-family housing be added to the Town Center? (Either as stand-alone condominiums and/or as part of a mixed use including retail spaces?)

- ◇ Yes
- ◇ No

### **Pedestrian and Traffic Safety and Accessibility**

Should the town evaluate roads, sidewalks and pedestrian pathways to determine safety, connectivity, and adequacy in and around the town center?

- ◇ Yes
- ◇ No

Should the town consider implementing traffic calming measures for pedestrians and cars in Town Center? (This could include techniques such as bump outs, installing a median with plantings, reducing the speed limit and adding on-street parking.)

- ◇ Yes
- ◇ No

Should the Town consider adding a traffic light to Town Center at the 77/Shore/Scott Dyer intersection?

- ◇ Yes
- ◇ No

Should the town pursue extending the sidewalk network to improve connectivity to Town Center and to potentially increase foot and bicycle traffic. (For example, expanding sidewalk connections from neighborhoods near the town center, e.g. Wells Rd, Fowler Rd, etc.)

- ◇ Yes
- ◇ No

### **Green Space and Visual Attractiveness**

Should the town establish an outdoor public gathering place, such as a Town Green, to promote visual identity and to establish a more aesthetically appealing Town Center?

- ◇ Yes
- ◇ No

If yes, what activities would you like to see on the Town Green?

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**Zoning and Business**

Should the Town Center zoning regulations be reviewed and amended or relaxed to encourage business growth?

- ◇ Yes
- ◇ No

Suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_

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In thinking of what you would like to see in Town Center, please rank the following (1-6) in order of importance to you (1 being most important):

- \_\_\_\_\_ Fitness/Outdoor Activity
- \_\_\_\_\_ Green Space
- \_\_\_\_\_ Office Space
- \_\_\_\_\_ Multi-Family Housing/Condominiums
- \_\_\_\_\_ Retail
- \_\_\_\_\_ Restaurants
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other

Please share any additional thoughts below:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

*Thank you for taking the time to share your opinions with the Town Center Planning Committee. As we move forward, we will do our best to keep all comments in mind. Please feel free to contact our committee with any additional thoughts you might have.*