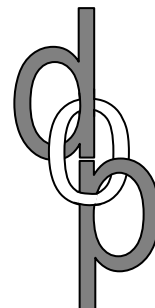


# **Town of Stonington POCD Implementation Committee PROGRESS REPORT**

**December 13, 2005  
Regular Meeting**

STONINGTON  
Department of Planning





# **TOWN OF STONINGTON**

## **PLAN OF CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE**

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### **AGENDA**

**December 13, 2005**

There will be a special meeting of the Plan of Conservation & Development Implementation Committee at 3:00 P.M. in the Stonington Police Station Meeting Room, 173 South Broad Street, Pawcatuck, CT.

1. Call to Order
2. Review progress to date on POCD as reported by Department of Planning prior to meeting
3. Review 2006 meeting dates
4. Adjournment

# Progress Report 12-13-2005

## Department of Planning Activities

### INTRODUCTION

There are 150 Action Items identified in the Implementation Guide (Chapter 9) of the Stonington Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD):

- 37 are general policies; and
- 113 are tasks.

The POCD Implementation Committee has been created to monitor the plans progress and to make recommendations on areas that should be target for implementation. The following report is a result of the plans strong implementation chapter and serves as the tracking mechanism for the plan.

Legend

	Policy
<b>BOLD</b>	Addition since last report

### ACTION ITEMS COMPLETED SINCE LAST REPORT

ITEM	PAGE	DESCRIPTION	COMPLETED
18 (12)	9-7	Investigate Stormwater Utility feasibility	Study has been completed. Not feasible at the current time.

### ACTION ITEMS CLASSIFIED AS UNREALISTIC SINCE LAST REPORT

ITEM	PAGE	DESCRIPTION	REASON

## ACTIVE ACTION ITEMS

ITEM	PAGE	DESCRIPTION	STATUS
P3 (6)	9-6	Conservation Easements	Planning and Zoning Commission requires Conservation Easements over subdivision open space, regardless of ownership.
<b>6 (10)</b>	<b>9-6</b>	<b>Investigate adopting regulations to allow development flexibility for open space preservation</b>	<b>Planning and Zoning Commission has formed a subcommittee that is working with the Planning staff to address this topic.</b>
7 (15)	9-6	Open Space Analysis	Conservation Commission is working on an Open Space Plan.
P6 (12)	9-6	Interconnect Open Space.	Greenway development is considered on every Planning and Zoning Commission application.
P7 (13)	9-6	Pawcatuck River Greenway Project	Initial trail development is being pursued (Pawcatuck River Pedestrian Bridge). STEAP application has been submitted to rebuild dock at Pawcatuck Park.
16 (9)	9-7	Stormwater Quality	Staff level committee is working on a <i>Town Standards Manual</i> .
P11 (10)	9-7	Site design improvements for stormwater quality	Staff level committee is working on a <i>Town Standards Manual</i> .
P12 (13)	9-7	Provide vegetative buffers	The use of swales and limiting impacts to wetlands have been encouraged by Town staff and Commissions.
P14 (14)	9-7	Promote public education of non-point source pollution	Stonington Stormwater Task Force is working on outreach and education programs and has visited local schools to present on this topic.
<b>33 (6)</b>	<b>9-9</b>	<b>Create “neighborhood Marine” zone</b>	<b>Public Hearing Scheduled for 12/6/2005</b>
P21 (4)	9-11	Encourage mixed-use development.	Staff is working to enable mixed-use options.
P22 (5)	9-11	Encourage in-fill development.	Staff is working to expand in-fill options.
P23 (6)	9-11	Encourage mixed retail and services.	Staff is working to attract mixed commercial opportunities.

ITEM	PAGE	DESCRIPTION	STATUS
48 (1)	9-12	<i>Rivision</i>	Project is still underway. (2/5 mills approved)
55 (8)	9-13	LI-130 Re-orientation	Public Hearing has been closed. Decision is expected on 12/6/2005
60 (13)	9-13	Consider creating a transportation/visitor center to mitigate idling busses, promote area attractions and reduce dependency on private motor vehicles between I-95 and Mystic	<b>Joint Project:</b> \$175,000 STEAP Grant and \$2,000,000 SAFTEA Grant have been awarded. Administrative requirements of the grant programs need to be completed prior to project initiation.  <b>Project involves:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New bus parking facility on Jerry Brown Road</li> <li>• Bike lanes on Coogan Boulevard</li> <li>• Landscaping on Coogan Boulevard</li> <li>• Wayfinding Signage Program in Mystic</li> <li>• Bike trail from Maritime Drive to Schooner's Wharf development.</li> </ul>
61 (14)	9-13	Allow the major institutional uses to share a common highway oriented promotional sign.	
62 (15)	9-13	Work cooperatively to create unified directional signage and streetscape elements throughout tourist areas and improve pedestrian connections to the Mystic Village Center	
63 (16)	9-13	Reconfigure Coogan Boulevard into a true boulevard with bicycle and pedestrian enhancements	
71 (2)	9-14	Encourage Age-Restricted housing where appropriate	Active Adult Housing Regulation scheduled for public hearing on 12/6/2005
82 (1)	9-16	Addition to Town Hall	Planning and Zoning Commission application expected in January of 2006
93 (2)	9-18	Create context sensitive road design standards	Staff level committee is working on a <i>Town Standards Manual</i> .
96 (1)	9-19	Explore expansion of SEAT	2005-06 Budget includes increase in SEAT budget for town-wide and Mystic Shuttle expansion. NO STATE FUNDING
97 (2)	9-19	Mystic jitney bus service	See above comments

## COMPLETED ACTION ITEMS

ITEM	PAGE	DESCRIPTION	COMPLETED
P1 (2)	9-6	Open Space or FILOS is required for all subdivisions	7/15/2003
7	9-16	Address Space Needs at the Town Garage	8/1/2005
12a. (3)	9-7	URA for Inland Wetland and Watercourses Commission	7/22/2004
43 (2)	9-11	Initiate comprehensive village planning program in Pawcatuck	Pawcatuck Study has been completed. 6/1/2005 1/3
49 (2)	9-12	Mill Redevelopment Floating Zone (IHRD)	9/6/2004
50 (1)	9-13	Highway Interchange Zone Revision	9/27/2004
54 (6)	9-13	Additional Uses in the HI Zone	9/27/2004
58 (11)	9-13	Create Maritime Historical/ Education Zone at Mystic Seaport	6/21/2005
66 (19)	9-14	Create Design Review Committee	
74 (5)	9-14	Create Housing Affordability Committee	
P37 (4)	9-19	Parking Regulations require bicycle consideration	6/21/2004
99 (1)	9-19	Maximum parking; alternative min. standards	6/21/2004
100 (2)	9-19	Parking reductions	6/21/2004
101 (3)	9-19	Parking lot landscaping	6/21/2004
102 (4)	9-19	Pervious paving options	6/21/2004
103 (5)	9-19	Excessive lighting	9/27/2004

ITEM	PAGE	DESCRIPTION	COMPLETED
Not Listed in POCD		Amendment to Future Land Use Plan (8-3) to change an area from Low Density Residential to Village Residential	8/16/2005

## ACTION ITEMS THAT ARE UNREALISTIC

ITEM	PAGE	DESCRIPTION	REASON
65 (18)	9-14	Consider roundabout at Jerry Brown Rd. and Whitehall Ave.	Traffic light installation is moving ahead at full steam. <b>NOT FEASIBLE</b>

## ACTION ITEM SUMMARY

	Completed 9/2005 – 12/2005	Completed Prior to 9/2005	Total Items	Total Completed	Percent Complete
General Policy	0	2	37	2	5.4%
Task	1	13 $\frac{1}{3}$	113	14 $\frac{1}{3}$	12.7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>15<math>\frac{1}{3}</math></b>	<b>150</b>	<b>16<math>\frac{1}{3}</math></b>	<b>10.8%</b>

	Remaining	Active	% Active (R)	% Active (Remaining)
General Policy	35	9	24.3%	25.7%
Task	98 $\frac{2}{3}$	15	13.3%	15.2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>133<math>\frac{2}{3}</math></b>	<b>24</b>	<b>16.0%</b>	<b>17.9%</b>

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