



TOWN OF  
**NORTH KINGSTOWN, RHODE ISLAND**

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To: Michael Embury, Town Manager  
From: Jonathan J. Reiner, Director of Planning  
Date: September 27, 2012  
Re: Progress of stakeholder group meetings and future schedule of meetings

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As you are aware, the North Kingstown planning department has been working with the stakeholder group for the development of a unified vision for the future land development of the western intersection of Routes 2 and 102. The stakeholder group has had 3 meetings since the Town Council awarded the contract for this work on July 30, 2012.

During the time between the second and third stakeholder meetings, the planning department received the Master Plan, comprehensive plan amendment, and zone change application for the development at Rolling Greens. This application had a site visit on September 27, 2012, and the public hearing for the comprehensive plan and master plan review have been scheduled before the Planning Commission for October 16, 2012. Due to state law, there are certain requirements placed upon the town as it relates to maximum time that we have to schedule and review certain types of applications. This application falls within strict timelines for review, unless that time is extended by the applicant. A concern that was raised by members of the stakeholder group was that because the master plan and other applications have been submitted, and that these meetings have been scheduled, the stakeholder process is no longer a valid process. At the stakeholder meeting held on September 26, 2012, Ona Ferguson from the Consensus Building Institute explained to the stakeholder group that the Town Council will not act upon the Rolling Greens application until this stakeholder process has been completed. The planning team working with the stakeholder group plans on finishing that process according to the timeline below.

Monday October 1: Town Council Meeting focusing on traffic and the rotary/roundabout idea  
Thursday October 4, 7-9:30pm: Public Workshop 1  
Monday October 15, 7-9:30pm: Public Workshop 2  
Tuesday October 16: Planning Commission Meeting on Rolling Greens Application  
Thursday October 25, 6-9pm: SHG Meeting 4  
Tuesday October 30: Planning Commission Meeting on Rolling Greens Application  
Wednesday November 7, 6-9pm: SHG Meeting 5  
Thursday November 15, 6-9pm: SHG Meeting 6 Placeholder

Products for your review that have been developed as part of the process thus far are as follows:

Map of focus area and focus area parcels

Development scenarios for the roadway ROW

Development possible at current zoning build out (3 slides)

Development under residential conservation design regulations

Development under CVD ordinance

Development at this site under existing and village zoning (South County Design Manuel, RIDEM, 2002)

Development of South County Commons at intersection (overlaid)

Development of other high density village on site (overlaid)

Approved meeting summaries from meeting 1 (Meetings 2 and 3 will follow in the coming days)

There is also an extensive amount of information in relation to this project on the project webpage at <http://www.northkingstown.org/visioning-process-routes-2-and-102>

If you should have any questions about this stakeholder process or the project, please feel free to contact the planning department at 268-1571.

cc: Alyward, Planning Commission, Bourassa, Kelly, Flinker, Ferguson