



# Amendment to the Land Use Element of the Comprehensive Plan

Town of North Kingstown  
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# Comprehensive Plan Amendment

## ▶ Recap:

- Town Council reviewed amendment to Comprehensive Plan at February 8, 2016 meeting
- Item was continued subject to direction that staff return with more information

## ▶ Discussion:

- Review steps towards establishing RDA
- Review examples throughout State

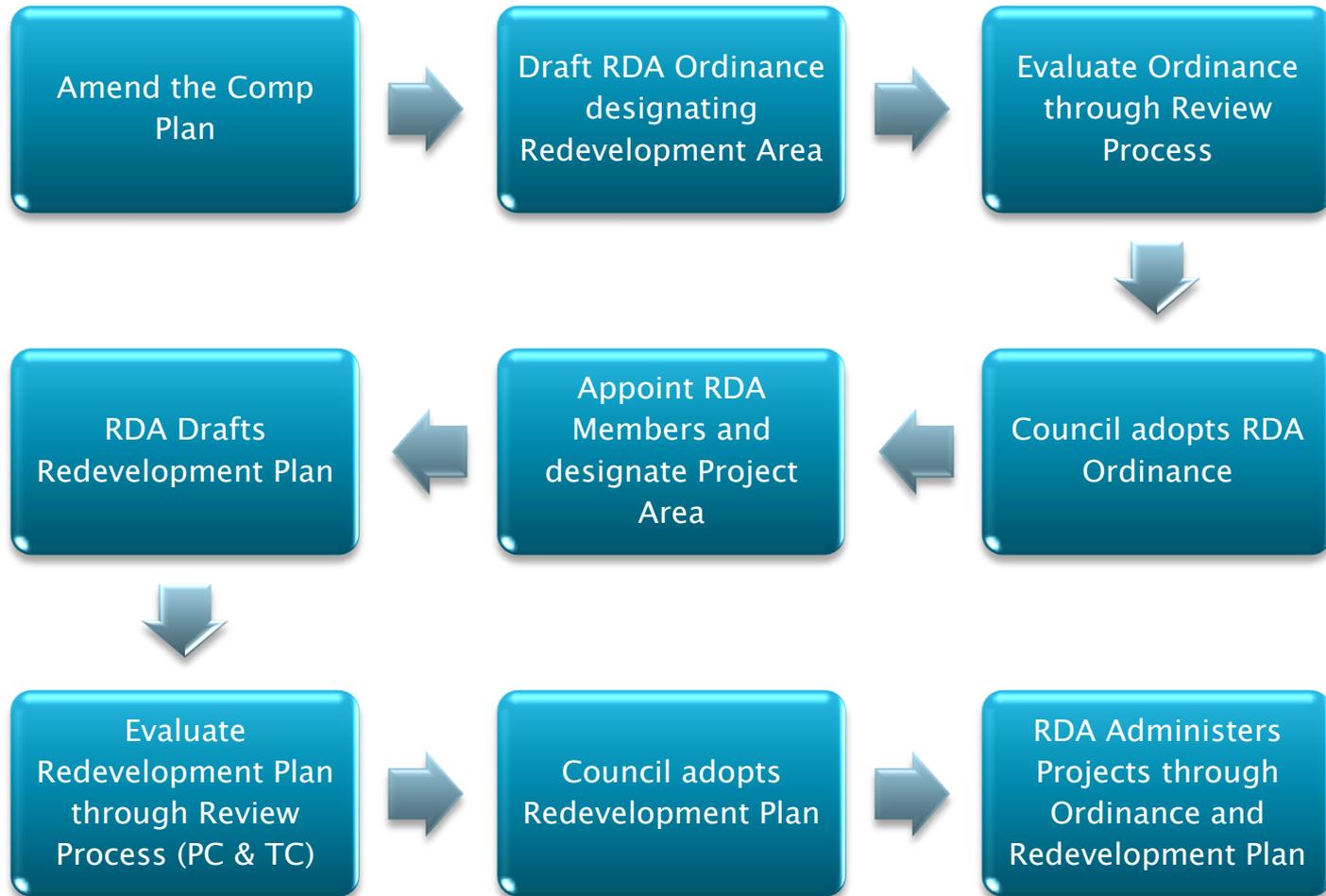


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- ▶ RDAs are locally governed entities appointed by Town Council that oversee redevelopment of specific areas of the community
- ▶ RDA powers are granted by way of ordinance adopted by the Town Council
- ▶ To use TIF, the Town must create a Redevelopment Agency (RDA)
  - Note: TIFs are optional



# Redevelopment Agency Process



# TIF Redevelopment Projects



# Examples of RDAs

- ▶ Bristol – Advisory agency to Council; Meet as-needed; Administer CDBG monies only
- ▶ Burrillville – Function pursuant to State laws; Budgeted by Town; Broad range of authority (Eminent Domain, Design Review, Waiver controls)
- ▶ North Smithfield – Limited powers; advisory to ZBR and PC; Sunset clause



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- ▶ Two Changes to Land Use Element
  - Narrative within Land Use Element pertaining to candidacy of Wickford EI as Redevelopment Site
  - Action item within objectives to establish RDA
  - Proposed changes are driven by requirements pursuant to State law
  
- ▶ Goal is to connect the previously-adopted strategy of using TIF with objective of using a RDA to administer financing



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- ▶ Recommendations:
  - Adopt the amendment as proposed
  - Adoption would provide flexibility to Council for future RDA considerations
  - Council not obligated to form RDA
- ▶ Next Steps:
  - Develop Redevelopment Agency ordinance

