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Planning Board Draft of the 2016 Subdivision Staging Policy

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Attached is the Planning Board Draft of the 2016 Subdivision Staging Policy. Also attached are several appendices providing information related to the recommendations in the Planning Board Draft.

Summary

Following the public hearing on June 2, 2016, the Planning Board held five worksessions on the recommendations presented in the Public Hearing Draft. The attached draft represents the Planning Board's recommendations on the 2016 Subdivision Staging Policy.

The Subdivision Staging Policy, or SSP, is a set of policy tools that guide the timely delivery of public facilities (schools, transportation, water, sewer, and other infrastructure) to serve existing and future development. These policy tools are the guidelines for the administration of the Adequate Public Facility Ordinance, or APFO.

The Planning Board Draft of the 2016 Subdivision Staging Policy contains new ideas that essentially rethink how we approach evaluating transportation and school adequacy. It provides a more context-sensitive, multi-modal approach to both the policy area and local tests for transportation, and aims to forge a better connection between the individual school experience and its measure of adequacy. It also includes information about environmental sustainability and the growing need for urban parks that could be addressed in future policies.