



City of
NEW HAVEN



City Plan Department

New Haven Comprehensive Plan 2025 Update Definition Phase Steering Committee Meeting III October 25th, 2022

The land of our state is the territory of the Sequin including Quinnipiac and Tunxis, Matabesec, Mohegan, Mashantucket Pequot, Eastern Pequot, Schaghticoke, Golden Hill Paugussett, Nipmuc, and Lenape Peoples. These peoples have stewarded this land through many generations. We thank them for their strength and resilience in protecting this land and aspire to uphold our responsibilities according to their example.

Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review Mission Statement
3. RFQ Discussion
4. Discovery Phase Framework
5. Next steps – Involvement in Discovery Phase



Plan Mission Statement

The Plan is the people of New Haven's tool to create a promising shared future. The Plan will focus on the needs of the whole community and honoring voices and experiences, particularly of those who have been historically minoritized. The process of developing The Plan will be community-driven, representative, collaborative, and transparent. In the face of upcoming uncertainties, The Plan's concrete and actionable goals will serve as benchmarks for addressing systemic inequities and opening greater opportunities for all.



RFQ Discussion

What did you think?

Focus points:

- Cultural competence and equity-driven practice
- Youth engagement
- Urban resilience



Proposed Selection Committee

Member of the City Planning Commission

City Plan Department

Representative of the Public Library / Key Engagement Partner

Representative of GARE/ Equity Focused Planning Initiatives

Affordable Housing Plan Representative

Community Resiliency Focused Representative

Discovery Phase Preview

Consultant Scope(s)

- Prepare engagement plan
- Conduct various outreach tasks: focus groups, surveys, meetings
- Work with City Plan staff to attend neighborhood meetings
- Coordinate community outreach partners
- Review current plans and build data book
- Synthesize feedback for next phase of project

Critical Paths

- Identify communities that should be prioritized
- Meet people *where they are* and *speaking their language*
- Manage expectations
- Break down participation barriers
- Building trust and confidence
- One-on-one conversations
- ***What else?***

Discovery Phase Involvement

March 2023 – December 2023

- Steering committee: meeting with project team and consultant periodically to review progress and direct project
- Co-creation teams: work with specially tasked teams to move forward Plan development

Next Steps:

- Conduct RFQ process
- Consultant onboarding
- Next iteration of Steering Committee to convene in early Spring 2023

Thank you!
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