Housing & Community Development

Master Plan Update Summary

Based on public input from the Online Survey and engagement with key stakeholders, the City has a variety of opportunities to coordinate housing and historic preservation with other mutually-reinforcing priorities of the Master Plan. The following goals and recommendations have been identified throughout the public outreach process and are subject to change in response to additional public review prior to the Master Plan's adoption.

Identified GOALS

- **Encourage preservation and rehabilitation** of the City's historic housing stock.
- Adopt zoning that respects the City's small-town, historic character and promotes a smooth and fair application process.
- Encourage high-quality affordable housing options for lowto moderate-income households and a local workforce.
- **Promote aging-in-place** through flexible housing types and supportive infrastructure.
- **Provide adequate and integrated open space** for highly accessible recreation and leisure opportunities.

Summary **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- **Amend residential zoning** to more appropriately balance prevailing lot characteristics, historic streetscapes, and residential needs.
- Revisit past zoning efforts to accommodate accessory dwelling units, bed and breakfasts, and home offices with appropriate conditions and criteria for approval.
- Consider city-wide Rehabilitation status as a way to combine housing restoration, historic preservation, and infrastructure improvement strategies with public funding, incentives, and support for property owners.
- **Preserve and enhance alleyways** through inclusion into the pedestrian network and flexible zoning that contributes to their unique charm.
- **Prepare a Housing Element** to assess growth management and housing strategies.
- **Reassess administrative capacity** for property maintenance, inspections, enforcement, and permitting.

How to **Participate**

Input from the Bordentown community is an essential component of the master plan and remains an ongoing process. While the Planning Board will hold a public meeting on **May 3rd 2021 and again on June 7th**, all members of the public are warmly invited to share their comments and concerns on an ongoing basis via **office@latinigleitz.com**. Your input will help shape the City's collective vision for growth, preservation, and economic sustainability well into the future. Help make the master plan the best it can be!



