

**NORWICH SELECTBOARD
NOTICE of PUBLIC HEARINGS
to Consider the Proposed 2020 Norwich Town Plan
Wednesday February 26, 2020, 6:30 PM
Saturday March 7, 2020, 12:00 Noon
TRACY HALL MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM**

In accordance with 24 VSA Ch. 117 §§ 4384(d), and 24 V.S.A. § 4444(a) the Norwich Selectboard will hold two public hearings on

- Wednesday February 26, 2020 at 6:30 PM
- Saturday, March 7, 2020 at 12:00 Noon

The two hearings (identical in format) will be held in the Multi-Purpose Room at Tracy Hall, 300 Main Street, Norwich, to receive public comment regarding the proposed 2020 Norwich Town Plan.

Pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 4444(b), the following information regarding the Norwich Town Plan is provided:

- (1) Under 24 VSA §4387(a) a municipal plan is in effect for eight years.
- (2) The last Norwich Town Plan was approved in July 2018.
- (3) The purpose of the proposed 2020 Norwich Town Plan is to ensure consistency with state law and obtain approval from Two Rivers Ottauquechee Regional Commission (TRORC).
- (4) The Norwich Town Plan is the policy document which guides decisions related to land use and development regulations, environmental protection, the provision of facilities and services, and the quality of life desired by the community. It also furthers the planning goals established in State Statute.

The proposed 2020 Town Plan includes all of the required elements set forth in the Act [§4382], including the following chapters as listed in the Table of Contents:

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| 1. INTRODUCTION | 6. TRANSPORTATION |
| 2. LAND USE | 7. FACILITIES & SERVICES |
| 3. ENERGY | 8. RESILIENCE |
| 4. HOUSING | 9. IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM |
| 5. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT | 10. APPENDICES |

The proposed 2020 Town Plan, which will affect all lands in Norwich, was prepared by the Planning Commission. If subsequently adopted the 2020 Town Plan will replace the 2018 Town Plan in its entirety.

Copies of the full text of the proposed Town Plan are available for examination at the Planning and Zoning Department on the 2nd Floor of Tracy Hall, at the Town Clerk's counter Tracy Hall Lower Level, at the Norwich Public Library, and at the Town website (<http://norwich.vt.us/planning-commission/>). Interested citizens are invited to attend the hearings or submit written comments. Abutting towns and the Two Rivers Ottauquechee Regional Commission are invited to comment with respect to the compatibility of their respective plans. Written comments shall be received by by 6:00 PM on Monday, February 24, 2020 to the Norwich Selectboard, PO Box 376, Norwich, VT 05055 or by email to planner@norwich.vt.us.