

Norwich Planning Commission  
Town Plan Public Hearing  
7/13/2017, 7:00 PM, Tracy Hall  
Minutes and Public Comments

**Planning Commission Members Present:** Steve Thoms, Jaci Allen, Melissa Horwitz, Jeff Lubell, Jeff Goodrich, Susan Brink **Absent:** Chris Brien **Clerk:** Phil Dechert

**Members of the Public who Commented:** Bruce McLaughry, Susan Pitiger, Linda Gray, Colin Calloway, Cheryl Lindberg, Marcia Calloway, Frank Manasek, Kris Clement, Clay Adams, Irv Thomae, Daniel Johnson, Stuart Richards, Paul Manganiello, Ralph Hybels, Kathleen Shepherd, Peter Brink, Chris Moore, Bob Pitiger, Richard Neugass, Corlan Johnson

There were approximately 80+ people present at the Public Hearing.

Jeff Goodrich opened the public hearing at 7:04 pm with a brief introduction. Planning Commission members introduced themselves.

Jaci Allen, the facilitator for the hearing, gave some ground rules.

Comments from the public included:

- Need for Affordable Housing in Norwich
- Concerns with very high density development
- Adopting the proposed Town Plan as soon as possible and re-visiting affordable housing
- Concerns with the adoption process

It was noted that Comments on the Draft Town Plan will continue to be taken until July 24, 2017 for review by the Planning Commission and can be submitted by:

- emailing to [planner@norwich.vt.us](mailto:planner@norwich.vt.us);
- mailing to Norwich Planning Office at PO Box 376, Norwich, VT 05055; or
- hand delivery to the Planning Office, Tracy Hall, 300 Main ST, Norwich

**Adjournment:** 8:15 PM

Phil Dechert, Clerk

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The hearing was recorded by CATV and can be viewed at:

<http://catv.cablecast.tv/CablecastPublicSite/show/6382?channel=2>

Copies of the Draft Town Plan materials made available at the hearing are as follows:

1. Planning Commission Question and Answer Sheet, dated July 6, 2017
2. Draft Town Plan Mark-up, dated June 6, 2017
3. Draft Town Plan with incorporated draft changes, dated May 25, 2017; and
4. TRORC Enhanced Consultation Report, dated June 7, 2017.

These documents are online at: <http://norwich.vt.us/planning-commission/> and available to be viewed at the Norwich Planning office and Town Clerk's office at: Tracy Hall, 300 Main Street, Norwich, VT