

**TOWN AREA PLAN WORK GROUP  
Meeting Of August 2, 2022 AT 4:00 pm  
FINAL AND APPROVED MINUTES**

Attending: Mary Anne Easley, Marsha Fader, Alison King, Mary Longacre, Mickey Rowland (arrived at 4:15 pm), Lee Saperstein, and Henry Terry.

Attendance was verified by a roll call; there was a quorum at all times. The meeting was recorded and can be viewed at “Meeting Recording:”

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Chair Henry Terry called the meeting to order at 4:04 pm. Mary Longacre reviewed the rules on remote-attendance meetings and said also that this meeting would be recorded.

**Agenda Approval.**

Henry Terry then asked for approval of the agenda and was given unanimous consent for approval. Mary Longacre noted that the draft survey was ready for discussion.

**Minutes Approval.**

The next order of business was approval of the draft minutes for the meeting of July 5, 2022. A motion to approve was made by Mary Anne Easley, seconded by Lee Saperstein, and approval was granted unanimously.

**Old Business: The Survey.**

Mary Longacre opened the draft survey into the “Share Screen” space and reviewed briefly its contents, section by section. She noted that, although she exercised some editorial control, the question’s contents came from the subcommittee submissions. She then asked if there were questions.

Mary Anne Easley proposed a final open-ended question: “What changes would you like to see in your neighborhood?”, for which there was general assent. Alison King suggested that there was redundancy in some of the terms used, most significantly with the confusion between the Town of Nantucket and the Town Area delineated by the red border in the introductory map in the questionnaire. She offered to send her suggestions to Mary Longacre.

Marsha Fader considered the absence of questions on cultural and natural resources, saying that they may need a question or two. She noted that signage for names and way-finding were limited or missing. She also suggested that some of the parks in the Town Area were under-used and may have accessibility problems. Henry Terry said that the Open Space and Recreation Survey that was recently completed may provide all the input that NPEDC needs for the Master Plan. The draft survey was included in the NPEDC agenda for May 16, 2022: [1](https://nantucket-</a></p></div><div data-bbox=)

[ma.gov/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Item/4558?fileID=38726](http://ma.gov/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Item/4558?fileID=38726). Mary Longacre asked Marsha Fader to convert her concerns into potential questions for the Town Area survey and this was echoed by Henry Terry. Should the new question refer to parks in general or to specific parks, particularly those that may be deemed as under-developed? Marsha Fader replied that she recognizes that resource issues have led to a lack of maintenance. Mickey Rowland added that there is no children’s playground in our area. Mary Longacre summarized this discussion by suggesting one additional question for the draft survey: “What recreational facilities should be added to the area?” She will circulate the draft survey, and they are attached to these minutes; she has also notified PLUS personnel that the survey will be coming momentarily for their review.

There were no other points to discuss so Henry Terry suggested that the Work Group had reviewed the draft survey and, if there were no further questions, that we might adjourn for which we needed a motion. Such was made by Mary Longacre, seconded by Alison King, and approved unanimously.

Adjournment. 4:40 pm

**The next scheduled meeting is Friday, August 26, 2022, at 4:00 pm. Until advised otherwise, this meeting will be by Zoom.**

For reference: Subcommittee composition and Survey Question Status.

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| 2. Land Use: Liz Almodobar and Mary Anne Easley                     | 02/19/2022 |
| 3. Housing: Marsha Fader and Mickey Rowland                         | 12/07/2021 |
| 4. Economic Development: Alison King and Mary Longacre              | 05/20/2021 |
| 5. Natural and Cultural Resources: Liz Almodobar and Marsha Fader   | 12/07/2021 |
| 6. Open Space and Recreation Plan: Mary Anne Easley and Henry Terry |            |
| 7. Services and Facilities: Regen Horchow and Mickey Rowland        | 12/07/2021 |
| 8. Circulation; Mary Longacre and Lee Saperstein                    | 07/05/2021 |

Lee W. Saperstein, Secretary, [saperste@mst.edu](mailto:saperste@mst.edu)

## TOWN LOCAL AREA PLAN WORK GROUP

### RESIDENTS SURVEY

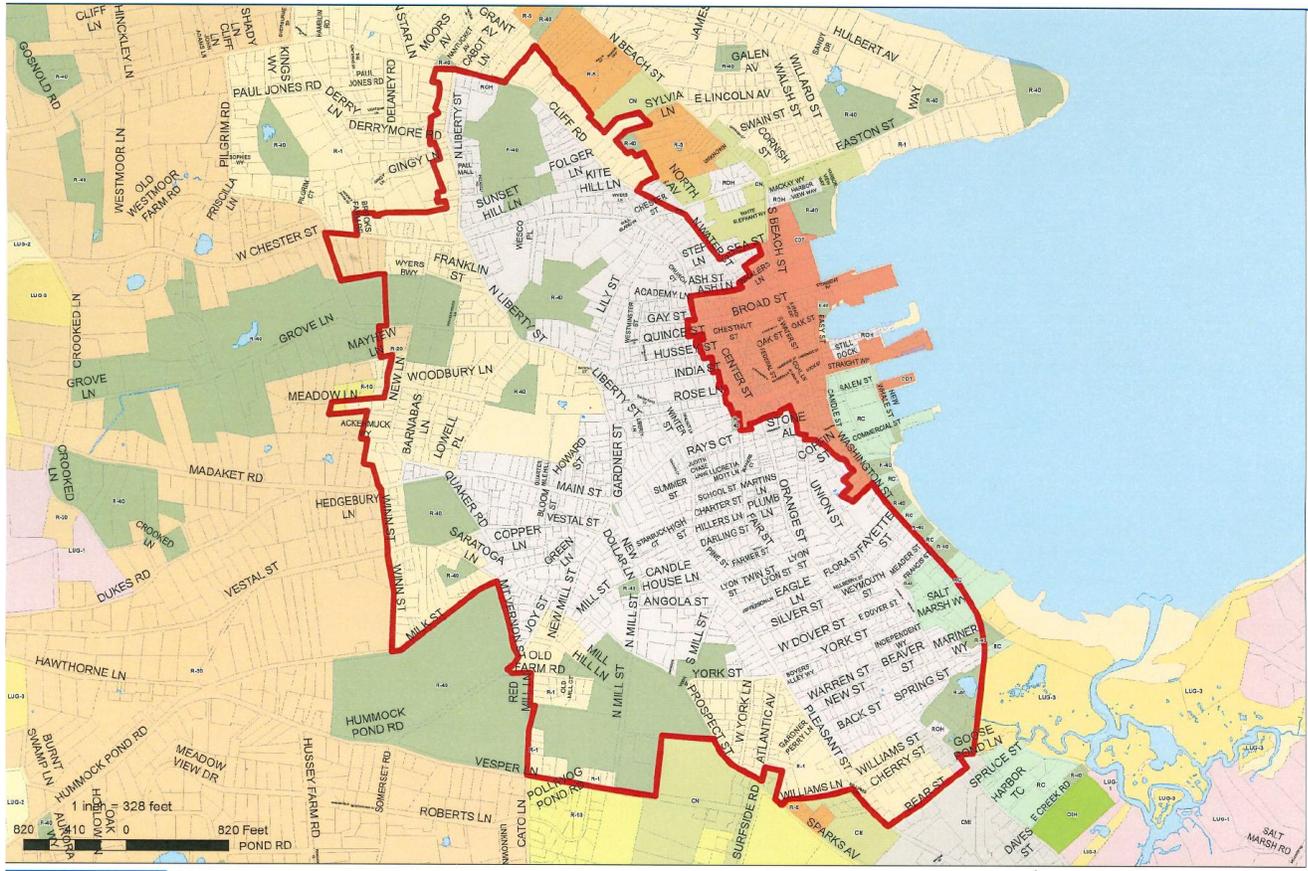
#### Introduction

The Town Local Area Plan Work Group, a subcommittee of the Nantucket Planning and Economic Development Commission (NPEDC,) is writing a Local Area Plan for the area of Nantucket known as the “Town” that will feed into Nantucket’s legally required Master Plan. A map of the specific streets covered by the Town Local Area Plan appears below for reference, with the “Town” as defined for this local area plan outlined in RED. Please answer the survey questions with this specific area in mind.

The opinions of the residents of the Town are essential for writing a valid and effective plan; please complete the following questionnaire to ensure its validity.

Your input is critical; we thank you for the time that you take to help make our Town Local Area Plan truly representative of the thoughts of its residents.

The Work Group.



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# Town of Nantucket - GIS Mapsheet

**Legend**

- District
- Parcel

Please note identification of any areas and corresponding connections to GIS Coordinator.  
 Town of Nantucket  
 2 Fairgrounds Rd  
 Nantucket, MA 02554



**Town Area Plan**

This document is for informational purposes only. It is not intended to be used as a legal document. The information on this map is not necessarily true and should not be used for legal purposes.

Many homes in Town are only occupied seasonally. What measures would you personally consider with your property in Town to help create a more vibrant year-round community and potentially address the housing shortage?

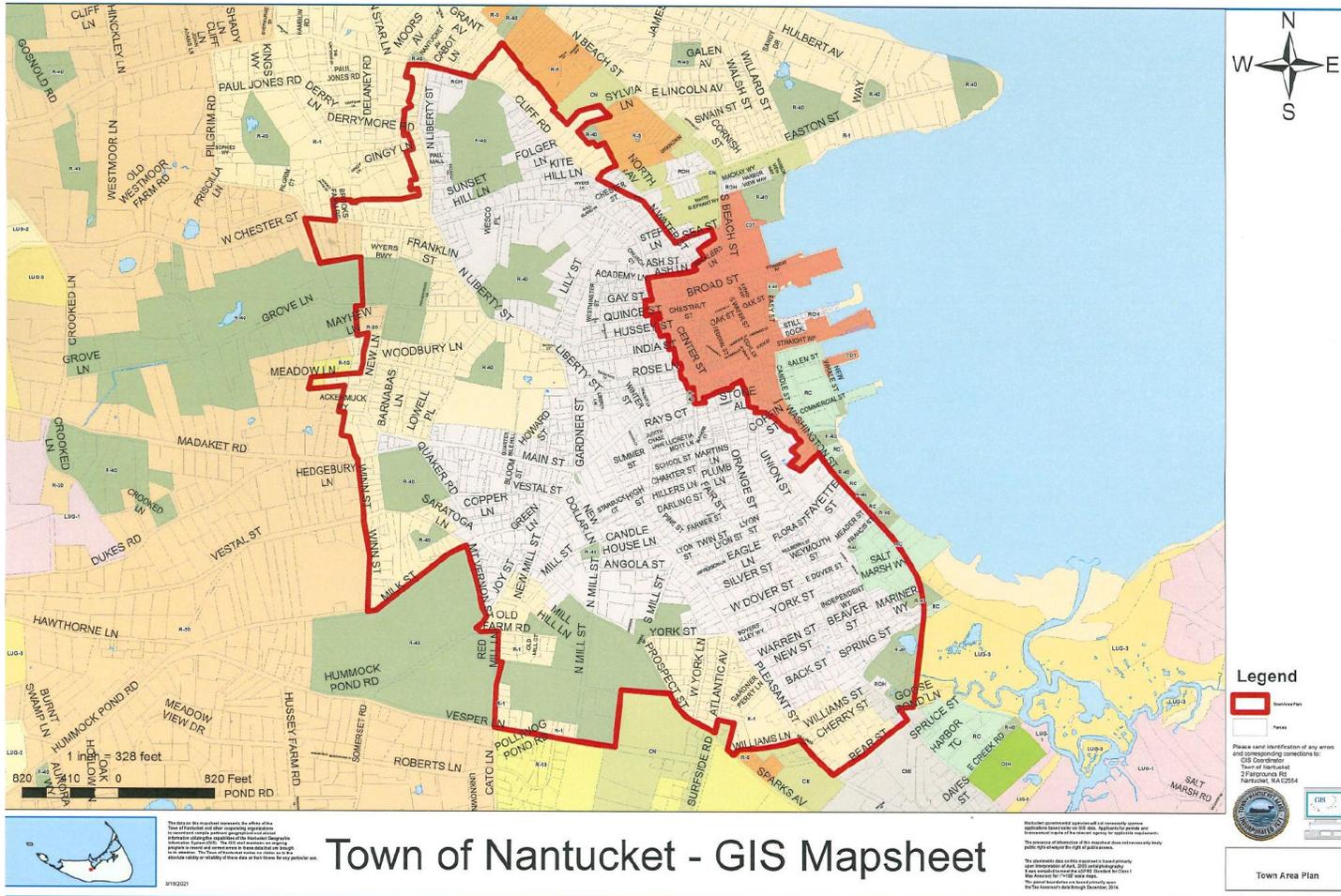
<b>Have you ever:</b>	YES, recently	YES, but not in the last 3	NO, but I would consider	NO, I am not able or
Rented out a room in your home to a worker seasonally?				
Rented out a room in your home to a worker year-round?				
Rented out a separate apartment in your home to a worker seasonally?				
Rented out a separate apartment in your home to a worker year-round?				
Rented out a separate structure on your property to a worker seasonally?				
Rented out a separate structure on your property to a worker year-round?				
Created a covenant home or lot by subdivision?				
Created a market rate lot by subdivision?				

If you would consider any of the above options, what assistance would you need to be able to

do that?

If you are a seasonal resident in Town now, what might attract you to live in your home on Nantucket year-round?

If you are a year-round resident in Town now, what will you need in the future to be able to continue living in your home on Nantucket year-round?



## Town of Nantucket - GIS Mapsheet

In the last three years what percentage of your dining and shopping has been done in the following districts:

	% of your Dining	% of your Shopping
Town (the area covered by this plan shown outlined in <b>RED</b> on the map above)		
Downtown Commercial Core & Washington St		
Brant Point–Jetties neighborhood		
Mid-Island Commercial District (Orange St–Sparks Ave–Williams Ln/Williams St–Orange St)		
Hummock Pond Rd Corridor (including Bartlett Farm Rd)		
Old South Road Corridor (including Amelia Drive, Fairgrounds Rd, Nobadeer Farm Rd & side streets, and Airport Rd)		
Surfside Road Corridor (including side streets)		

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Other (Polpis Rd, Wauwinet, Madaket, etc.)		

Are you well served by the businesses within the Town area, shown outlined in RED? YES  
 NO  
 (i.e., outside the Downtown Commercial Core.)

Please indicate businesses that would be beneficial to have in Town (outside the Downtown Commercial Core.)

If you own or operate either a home-based business or a public facing business in Town (i.e., outside the Downtown Commercial Core,) what would help you to become more successful?

As a resident in Town, please explain if and how you are affected by our proximity to the Downtown Commercial Core (other than by parking and traffic issues).

Balancing historic character, budget and manpower constraints, and ADA accommodations is challenging.

Which of these actions are you in favor of to increase the accommodations made available for physically challenged pedestrians?

	YES, in favor	NO, not in favor	No Opinion
repair uneven sidewalks			
add more designated handicapped parking spaces			
lower the curbs at crossings where needed			
remove poles and bury wires underground			
add more public transportation services (routes or frequency)			
build new sidewalks where needed			
ticket cars parking on the sidewalk			
widen sidewalks to meet ADA standards			
no changes needed			

Please provide any additional ideas:

What Quality of Life issues affect you as a resident of Town?

What recreational facilities would you like to see added in Town?

What changes, if any, would you like to see in your neighborhood?

CIRCULATION: For each of the five intersections listed below, indicate which options you think are appropriate (may select more than one)

1. Intersection of Pleasant St, West York St, Atlantic Ave (5 CORNERS)

- -preserve the intersection as it is now
- -perform maintenance to enhance safety but do not reconfigure the intersection (for instance trimming vegetation to improve sightlines, adding signage, freshening street markings, repairing sidewalks)
- -make small modifications to improve traffic flow but do not substantially change the intersection (for instance adjusting curbing, easing corners, marking no parking zones near the intersection)
- -modify the intersection to improve pedestrian and bicycle access and safety but not to increase automobile throughput (for instance adding or widening sidewalks & bike lanes, adding stop & yield signs)
- -reconfigure the intersection to improve throughput for pedestrians, bicycles, and automobiles (for instance moving monuments, adding or formalizing roundabouts, major layout changes)

2. Intersection of Atlantic Ave, Sparks Ave, Williams Lane, Surfside Rd, Vesper Lane, Prospect St (6 CORNERS at the High School)

- -preserve the intersection as it is now
- -perform maintenance to enhance safety but do not reconfigure the intersection (for instance trimming vegetation to improve sightlines, adding signage, freshening street markings, repairing sidewalks)
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3. Intersection of Main St, Gardner St, Milk St (MONUMENT SQUARE with the Civil War Monument)

- -preserve the intersection as it is now
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#### 4. Intersection of Main St, Quaker Rd, Madaket Rd, New Lane (CATON CIRCLE with the flag pole at the top of Main St)

- -preserve the intersection as it is now
- -perform maintenance to enhance safety but do not reconfigure the intersection (for instance trimming vegetation to improve sightlines, adding signage, freshening street markings, repairing sidewalks)
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#### 5. Intersection of Prospect St, Quaker Rd, Milk St, and Milk St Extension

- -preserve the intersection as it is now
- -perform maintenance to enhance safety but do not reconfigure the intersection (for instance trimming vegetation to improve sightlines, adding signage, freshening street markings, repairing sidewalks)
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6. Another intersection (please describe):

Streets: \_\_\_\_\_

- -preserve the intersection as it is now
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What can be done to improve travel conditions for each of these modes of transportation in Town (fill in the blank)

-Pedestrians

-Cyclists

-Public  
Transportation

-Cars

-Delivery Trucks

PARKING: please select one answer which best describes your response to the question. Please refer to the map below which shows the Downtown Commercial Core Short Term Parking Area in RED. Your responses should only apply to the plan area **outside** the red area (i.e. the orange area and the surrounding area.)

Parking options for downtown Nantucket  
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Published on March 29, 2018

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### Public Parking Inventory

- ◆ Short Term Parking
- ◆ 2 Hour Parking
- ◆ Long Term Parking
- ◆ Long Term Parking
- ◆ Park and Ride Lot

1) If Paid Parking is implemented in the Downtown Commercial Core short term parking area, (which is not part of this plan's area,) how do you think that will affect parking in Town?

- no impact in the plan area
- paid short term parking in the Downtown Commercial Core will improve parking availability in the plan area because more parking will be available in the Downtown Commercial Core and people won't have to find spaces outside the Downtown Commercial Core
- paid short term parking in the Downtown Commercial Core will reduce parking availability in the plan area because people will look for free parking outside the Downtown Commercial Core
  - other

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2) What measures are you in favor of to improve parking availability in Town (i.e., outside the Downtown Commercial Core Short Term Parking Area)

	YES, in favor	NO, not in favor	No Opinion
no changes needed			
greater enforcement of existing parking regulations			
increase parking ticket fines			
expand the 2-hour residential parking district			
create more on-street spaces			
make more streets one-way to allow for a parking lane			
add parking lots in the area covered by the plan			
add multi-level parking structures			
add park-and-ride lots outside the area covered by the Town Area			
increase public transportation routes and/or frequency			
limit the amount of vehicles allowed to enter the Town Area by using a permit system or congestion fee for access			

3) What parking restrictions, if any, would you suggest to improve pedestrian sidewalk access?

Do you feel there are adequate signage and wayfinding aids in Town for historic properties, streets & bike routes, and recreational or cultural amenities?

THANK YOU for your time completing this survey. We appreciate your input!