

WINCHESTER MASTER PLAN MEETING IN A BOX



Meeting-in-a-Box is a civic engagement method designed for use by community groups, neighborhood associations, or friends to gather at a convenient time and location to share their ideas about the future of Winchester. Thank you for hosting a meeting about the Winchester Master Plan! We appreciate your time and participation in organizing and facilitating this discussion and exercise. Community input is vital to this process!

BOX CONTENTS:

DURING THE MEETING

- Sign-In Sheet
- Mapping Exercise 1 (5-10 mins)
- Community Vision Worksheet (10 mins)
- Community Goals Worksheets (30-40 mins)

AFTER THE MEETING

- Return Instructions

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Who should I invite?

Anyone who is interested in the future of Winchester! You could host the meeting with your family around the dinner table, with your local community or neighborhood organization, with congregation members after church, or with your coworkers during your lunch hour. There are no age limits.

How many people should I invite?

Aim for a group of 4-10 people. If you have a larger group, we suggest breaking into smaller groups.

How long will the meeting take?

You likely need about 30 minutes to 1 hour depending on the group's level of interest and engagement.

Where should we meet?

Anywhere! Just make sure it is comfortable and convenient. It could be in your living room, a local coffee shop, or someplace you will need to reserve in advance, like a library or community center. You'll want enough seats for all participants, some writing utensils, and perhaps a hard surface to write on.

What do I do after the meeting?

Return the all materials to Brian Szekeley, Town Planner, by email bszekely@winchester.us or in person to the Planning Department in Town Hall.

Helpful Tips - As the meeting's host, your job is to facilitate and keep the conversation on-topic. We recommend asking someone to take notes. The more your notes are comprehensive and easy-to-read, the more it will help our team.

Questions?

Learn more and join the conversation today on the project's website: courb.co/winchester.

Meeting Contact:

Date:

Email:

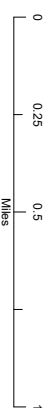


Date:

Email Address

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5-10 MINS



Winchester Master Plan

Base Map

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Base Map

- Structure
- Parcels
- Water Body
- Open Space
- Road
- Railroad





A VISION OF WINCHESTER IN 2030

10 MINS



WHAT DOES YOUR IDEAL WINCHESTER LOOK LIKE IN 2030?
WHAT MAKES YOU FEEL CONNECTED TO WINCHESTER?
DRAW OR WRITE BELOW.



COMMUNITY GOALS 1

Land Use, Housing, and Economic Development in Winchester 2030

DO THESE GOALS ALIGN WITH YOUR VISION OF WINCHESTER?
PASS THIS AROUND AND ASK EACH PARTICIPANT TO DRAW AN
"X" OR DOT ON THE SCALE BELOW.

10 MINS



Offer new amenities, entertainment, and retail opportunities to residents where strategic, including North Main Street and downtown Winchester.

Encourage contextually-responsive new development. New development will be carefully planned and appropriately scaled, with a focus on creating denser development in some areas.

Promote housing types that allow residents to age within the community. Housing for older residents should maintain connection to Winchester's community gathering spaces (e.g. Jenks Center, Library) and access to everyday amenities and needs (e.g. grocery stores, pharmacies, shuttle to hospital)

Create and preserve housing that is affordable, especially small-scale development that fits Winchester's character and provides easy access to everyday amenities and needs.

Support and encourage mixed-use development and density in strategically appropriate areas in town, e.g. Downtown and North Main Street .

Provide support for the continued success and growth of existing businesses, as well as finding opportunities to for new businesses in Winchester.



COMMUNITY GOALS 1

Land Use, Housing, and Economic Development in Winchester 2030

AS A GROUP, DISCUSS THE QUESTIONS BELOW AND RECORD YOUR ANSWERS IN THE SPACE BELOW.

Comments?

How do you want Winchester to look in 2030? How will your housing and job needs change between now and 2030? Do these goals reflect those needs and your vision for the future?



COMMUNITY GOALS 2

Connectivity and Mobility in Winchester 2030

DO THESE GOALS ALIGN WITH YOUR VISION OF WINCHESTER?
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10 MINS



Integrate transportation improvements with new development, regulatory changes in land-use, and increases in density.



Make existing parks, playgrounds, and other open space safer and easier to access, particularly by biking, walking, and public transit.



Improve walking and biking safety throughout Winchester for all ages and abilities through ADA compliance and the creation of no-stress bike infrastructure.



Improve public transportation opportunities to encourage more transit use and car share, alleviate parking concerns, and reduce single vehicle occupancy commuters



Create a more robust and safer biking and multi-modal lane network to support the rising micro-mobility trend (i.e. bike share, e-bikes, e-scooters)



Improve walking and biking safety around Winchester's schools, to promote healthy transportation options for youth and to alleviate traffic congestion during peak pick-up and drop-off times.





COMMUNITY GOALS 2

Connectivity and Mobility in Winchester 2030

AS A GROUP, DISCUSS THE QUESTIONS BELOW AND RECORD YOUR ANSWERS IN THE SPACE BELOW.

Comments?

How do you want Winchester to look in 2030? How do you get around today? How do you think your transportation needs will change by 2030? Do these goals reflect those needs and your vision for the future?



COMMUNITY GOALS 3

Community and Culture in Winchester 2030

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10 MINS



Increase cultural, ethnic, religious, and economic diversity in Winchester—and bridge divisiveness between political, ethnic, and economic groups.



Maintain the town's visual beauty and historic neighborhoods, structures, and architecture through stronger local protections, such as stronger design review, architectural codes, and the creation of a local historic district.



Preserve and improve Winchester's existing green/open space, street trees, and water quality.



Increase the number of public athletic fields to support increasing recreational demand in town.



Increase the amount of public open space to support passive recreational opportunities such as hiking, walking, and picnicking.



Maintain Winchester's high-quality public education system.





COMMUNITY GOALS 3

Community and Culture in Winchester 2030

AS A GROUP, DISCUSS THE QUESTIONS BELOW AND RECORD YOUR ANSWERS IN THE SPACE BELOW.

Comments?

How do you want Winchester to look in 2030? Who will live in Winchester? What will Winchester's community culture be like? Do these goals reflect those needs and your vision for the future?



COMMUNITY GOALS 4

Environmental and Fiscal Sustainability in Winchester 2030

10 MINS



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Integrate green energy and sustainability initiatives within town structures, new development, and other infrastructure.



Prepare for climate change impacts by protecting key parcels, continuing to require flood mitigation for new development, and prioritizing those most vulnerable (including seniors, children, non-English speakers and others).



Provide Town services in a streamlined, equitable, and proactive manner by effectively managing and maintaining town-owned facilities and implementing capital improvements at the optimal time in order to serve a growing and changing community.



Seek out and seize opportunities to leverage funding with local, regional, and national partners to invest in Winchester.



Upgrade Winchester's transportation network to prioritize pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit users.





COMMUNITY GOALS 4

Environmental and Fiscal Sustainability in Winchester 2030

AS A GROUP, DISCUSS THE QUESTIONS BELOW AND RECORD
YOUR ANSWERS IN THE SPACE BELOW.

Comments?

How do you want Winchester to look in 2030? How do you think your life and community will be different in 2030 as a result of climate change? Do these goals reflect those needs and your vision for the future?