

Memorandum

July 23, 2020

To: Planning Commission

From: Steve Kleppin, Planning & Zoning Director

Re: Update to the Citywide Plan (POCD) - East Norwalk TOD Plan

As you are aware, we have been preparing a Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Plan for East Norwalk. To incorporate the plan into the POCD, we need to amend the POCD to incorporate the TOD plan by reference.

The POCD can be viewed at:

https://tomorrow.norwalkct.org/wp-content/uploads/Norwalk-Citywide-Plan.pdf

The proposed changes to the POCD are as follows:

Page 195, Add "iii"

Implement the transportation recommendations in the East Norwalk Neighborhood TOD Plan. The City will further evaluate, modify as necessary and implement the recommendations within the plan, including, but not limited to, sidewalk and pedestrian connection improvements, expanded bicycle lanes, the proposed pedestrian promenade, the residential parking program and other safety and access improvements.

When: 2020-2029

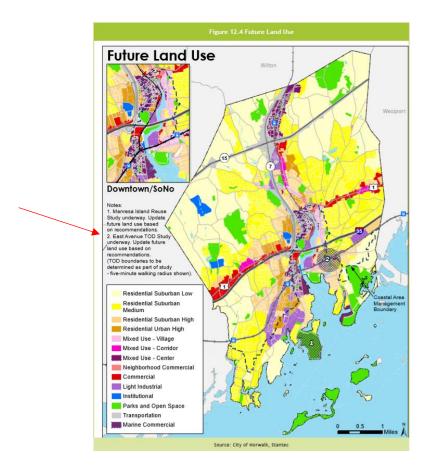
Who: Planning & Zoning, Transportation, Mobility and Parking and Public Works

Resources: Staff time, capital funds and grant funds

Page 240, Figure 12

Change #2 as follows: Implement the goals and recommendations of the East Norwalk Neighborhood TOD Plan, as well as revising the Building Zone Map, consistent with the recommended changes within the plan and as further amended.

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Page 242 "i", new 5th Bullet

Implement the goals and recommendations of the 2020 East Norwalk Neighborhood TOD Plan and as further amended.

Page 245 "ii", replace third bullet

Implement the East Norwalk TOD Village District recommendations, including the zoning regulations and design standards, as proposed within the East Norwalk TOD Village Plan, as further amended by the Zoning Commission."

Page 246, "iv", add study area to façade improvement program

Create a façade improvement grant program for Wall Street/West Avenue, SoNo and East Norwalk.

Provide small business support for property owners by offering matching grants for façade improvements that meet basic design and quality criteria. Upgrades to the physical condition of buildings will positively influence the perception of the neighborhood. Storefronts, signage, windows, and façade restoration are critical elements to address.

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