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Riverhead Comprehensive Plan Update Project Status Community Update (11/8/21)

1. Public Survey and Outreach

- A. Public Survey. The Comprehensive Plan Update survey has been open to the public since August 6, 2021 with a link on the project website (www.TownofRiverheadComprehensivePlanUpdate.com).
- B. Paper copies of the survey were distributed at the September Community Meetings and can also be obtained at Riverhead Town Hall. The survey end date has been extended to Friday, December 17, 2021. Over 430 survey responses have been received to date.
- C. Project Website. A Project Website can be accessed at www.TownofRiverheadComprehensivePlanUpdate.com
- D. Social Pinpoint Interactive Map. A townwide interactive Social Pinpoint map, which zooms in to each of Town's hamlets and provides opportunity for public comments, has been linked to the project website (www.TownofRiverheadComprehensivePlanUpdate.com). This map is open for public comment through Friday, December 17, 2021. Nearly 100 comments have been recorded to date.

2. Hamlet and Technical Meetings

- A. Hamlet Meetings/Agendas. The first round of community outreach meetings in September covered the four geographic areas of analysis: 1) Wading River and Manorville (9/27); 2) Calverton and Baiting Hollow (9/28); 3) Riverhead and Downtown (9/29); and 4) Aquebogue, Northville, Laurel, Jamesport, and South Jamesport (9/13). Each meeting included a presentation followed by community input. Participants were also invited to take the Comprehensive Plan Update survey.
- B. Hamlet Meeting Format and Outreach. The September Community Meetings were both live at the Riverhead Senior Center and virtual via Zoom. Presentation materials, recordings, and comment summaries from those meetings are available on the project website. The CAC and local community groups were encouraged to complete the surveys and send their comments via the project website.
- C. Technical Outreach Meetings. Technical groups have been formed for the purposes of coordinating with the Town on technical issues related to the Comprehensive Plan Update. Five townwide topic-oriented meetings are planned as part of the public outreach plan. Five topic-meeting dates have been finalized as follows: 11/22 (Transportation); 11/29 (TDR/Farmland Preservation); 11/30 (Environmental Protection/Sustainability); 12/1 (Route 58/Economic Development); and 12/6 (Housing/Community Facilities). These meetings will be held virtually and in person at Town Hall or Riverhead Senior Center (12/6).
- D. Interviews. AKRF completed interviews with 12 Town Departments and 10 other stakeholders including businesses, Riverhead School District, and County and transportation agencies. A summary of those interviews is provided on the Project website.

3. Plan and GEIS Preparation
 - A. Data gathering and preparation of graphics for the GEIS Scope and environmental analyses is underway.

4. Zoning Map
 - A. A townwide existing zoning map was prepared for approval by the Town Board.