

CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Regional Plan Committee

Approved Minutes

Monday November 19, 2019

3:30 – 5:15 pm

Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission
29 Main Street, Suite 4, Montpelier, VT 05602

Committee Members:

☒	Dara Torre, Chair
☒	Julie Potter, Vice Chair
☒	Julie Potter
☒	Ron Krauth, via conference call
☒	Marcella Dent

Staff: Clare Rock

CALL TO ORDER

J Potter opened the meeting at 3:38pm.

Welcome and Introductions and welcome to our new board member, Marcella.

D Torre arrived and chaired the meeting.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

L Hill-Eubanks asked if people wanted to revisit the meeting time.

Discussion to have start time at 4pm and end 5:20pm and keeping the same meeting dates. Next meeting date 12/17 at 4 pm.

Approval of Minutes

Committee members requested staff make available four (4) hard copies of the packet for members at the meeting.

J Potter made a motion to approve the October 21, 2019 meeting minutes, seconded by R Krauth. All in favor. Motioned carried.

Regional Plan: Possible Amendments to Current Plan

- a. J Potter suggested a new introduction paragraph in the Housing Element which acknowledges that the data in the chapter wasn't changed... "the 2019 amendments to the Housing Element removed discussion of the 2006 Regional Housing Distribution Plan, which has been discontinued. Data presented in this element have not been updated; data will be updated in the next iteration of the plan." Committee members agreed to a new intro statement be added.

Additional discussion included the need to revise statements such as "...current Census..." and revise to be "... 2000 Census..." Discussion about whether a population forecast range should be used rather than specific numbers. Committee agreed this would be suited to for the new plan rather than making that type of revision to this amendment.

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2 The committee discussed changes on the following pages of the packet:

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10 Next steps, staff will make the proposed changes to an official marked up version of the documents for
11 committee review and approval.

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13 b. Revision to the Future Land use Map

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15 Staff presented the CV Land Use Plan and the comparison to the City of Montpelier's Growth Center
16 boundary. The areas do not align. The Growth Center area extends beyond the Regional Center area and
17 into areas which are regionally designed as "Rural." This may present a conflict if and when an Act 250
18 application is presented for the area which falls inside the Cities Growth Center and not in the Regional
19 Center. Instead it would fall in the regional "Rural" area. Discussion continued about the various
20 definitions. The CVRPC is supportive of making the changes as CVRPC is supportive of Montpelier's
21 growth activities based upon their planning efforts (municipal plan, growth center planning, TIF).
22 Discussion followed about other areas of the land use plan, such as the area which falls between
23 Northfield Village and Northfield Village. The committee also discussed the description of the regional
24 Center as contained within the text of the Regional Plan. As there are no looming development proposal
25 for this area there is generally no urgency to make other changes to the map. The committee requested
26 staff should ask Waterbury, and Barre City if there are any potential development proposals which
27 would conflict with the regional land use map.

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29 The Committee directed staff to edit the GIS shape file for the Regional Center to align with the growth
30 center for Montpelier and propose a new boundary for regional land use map. This will be reviewed by
31 the committee at the next meeting.

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34 c. Preferred Sites – this discussion and other energy related changes would be best suited for the
35 New Plan and no changes as part of this amendment.

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38 **ADJOURNMENT**

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40 *R Krauth made a motion to adjourn, seconded by L Hill-Eubanks, all in favor. Motion carried.*

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43 **Next meeting Date: 12/17 at 4 pm.**
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