West Warwick
Comprehensive Plan
Rhode Island
WEST WARWICK COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

AS ADJUSTED

March 1992
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE PLAN

March 1, 2005
Population over age 25 had completed high school and 10 percent had.

**Background**

The population of West Warwick, in the 1980s, was approximately 7 percent of the Rhode Island population.

**Chapter 1 - Introduction**

Page 1-13, third full paragraph:

"All...showed...in bold and underlined text in the Plan." However, the text of the Plan has not been changed to allow the reader to compare the Plan with the "Supplemental" page. The Table of Contents has been adjusted to reflect all "Supplement" pages. The Page 1-26, third full paragraph: The following "Supplement" pages have been made to the Comprehensive Plan for the Town of West Warwick. The "Supplement" pages also included in most Chapters is Supplementary Information that is included with the Plan as a result of review of the Plan.

"Adjudications to the Plan and final approval by OSP." These are...in the Plan...address these deficiencies; in order for the municipal government to review and accept the Town's plan.

"Supplemental" page 1-26, third full paragraph: The Plan was reviewed by the Town, which addressed and...after a follow-up letter on April 28.

Concern identified by the Plan as a result of the Plan review.

The "Supplemental" page 1-26, third full paragraph: the following "Supplemental" page 1-26, third full paragraph: the following "Supplemental" page 1-26.
CHAPTER II - LAND USE, II-5, Page II-16

I. The Town will update and amend its existing Zoning Ordinance to comply with the guidelines and requirements of the Zoning Enabling Acts as follows:

Develop a future land use concept of a set of concepts that articulate the vision of the Town's land uses, and develop a plan and

Land use goals and policies are centered on six main goals as follows:

Goals, Policies and Implementation Actions

inclusion of open space in subdivision design are being considered. 7500 and R-8000. Land use tools such as cluster zoning to encourage the lot size 10,000 square feet. The other residential zones are R-6000. R-

Residential in West Warwick. Low density residential requires a minimum land use map included in the plan. Infillers the area as low density

example of the effort the Town will take to amend the zoning ordinance residential with a minimum lot size of 10,000 square feet. This is an

Residential, the existing zoning ordinance identifies most of the area as

Census Tract 205 - Warwick/Heritage/Westcott - The most land title of

education.

and completed college in 1980, showing West Warwick below the norm. Over 46% in the region had completed high school in 1980, and 15.4 percent completed college in 1980. Statistical significance over 61 percent of residents
Areas for special needs populations

Safe entry and use of utility closets and other more dangerous

Elevator controls for special needs populations

Ramps for ingress and egress of special needs populations

and improvements to public policy will further these goals.

Recognize these issues and is prepared to address them where changes

where willing to participate in mainstream community life. West Warwick

are contributing and active members of our society if they have the

community areas for special needs populations. Special needs populations

Another need that is growing, as we learn more about the requirements

WEST Warwick Housing Authority

CHAPTER III - HOUSING, III-4, page III-4, add new paragraph #3:

Replaced in entirety and substitute with:

CHAPTER II - LAND USE, II-5, page II-20, 3rd column, #3

Replaced in entirety and substitute with:

CHAPTER II - LAND USE, II-5, page II-19, 3rd column, #1

Strengthen special use permits standards within the zone: Orinance

and the ability to easily modified and is updated annually. According to the Town

and amended and update its zoning

Develop an official zoning map for the community at a map scale that is
Consistent with the Consolidated Plan, the work of the Economic Development Commission is
and programs. The work of the Economic Development Commission of Commerce, the private sector, and economic development public policy
Moreover, the Commission can coordinate the activities of the Chamber
particular, municipal tax policy
articulating municipal policy for Council consideration and action
Appropriately by the Town, Council this Commission can be very helpful in

The community
is made up of members who are generally professional business leaders in
development in West Warwick. The Economic Development Commission
municipal policies as they directly and indirectly affect economic
community economic development and retaining and communicating
Economic Development Commission coordinating the many aspects of

Industrial park land. The Town will promote a more active role for the
incentive businesses, and a coordinated approach to promoting the combining
benefits, such as through the promotion of reuse of existing buildings.
The Town should target development activities that take advantage of these

Economic Development Strategies

are planned:

unidentified persons with prearranged announced targets to hazardous areas
with the needs of special needs populations. Improvements to protect
update all of the access and egress points of the facility to comply
where applicable. The West Warwick Housing Authority has plans to
where applicable. The West Warwick Housing Authority has plans to

4. When considering special needs housing, the Town will encourage the

CHAPTER IV - HOUSING, III-6, PAGE 13-1, TOP OF

III-6, PAGE 13-1, TOP OF

(1) West Warwick Housing Authority Management

Proposed

- Proper dimensional requirements for living space for special needs populations, and

- Safe window and door locations for special needs populations, and
Subdivision Regulations applicable to the development plan (revised process within the
promote case of use:

9. Promote the "developed plan" review process within the

Chapter 7 - Chapter 8 - NATURAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES, V-3, page V-23, column 3

Water Authority

Encourage and support improvements to the water system to

Industrial areas through close coordination with Kent County

Encourage and support improvements to the water system to move forward.

Industrial areas such as the industrial park can move forward.

Water treatment plant so the adjacent expansion of existing

Encourage and support improvements to the municipal waste

Chapter 11 - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, V-3, page V-27, column 3

be considered.

Incorporate the history of the village development in West Warwick will
development of neighborhood and village business concepts that
are the "central core". Concepts such as these include the
community the public and private partnerships in economic development
partnership by the private sector. The "central core" will be developed and

subsidized with federal and state programs coupled with other
limited resources of the Town. "Sound central core development" must be

improve the quality of the Warwick Mall. Route 20 commercial development and the
proximity of the Warwick Mall, Route 20 commercial development and the
in some cases these have been far more failures than successes. Given the
is complete with regional shopping malls. While this approach has worked
This concept, that is still used today, attempts to create a downtown mall that
business and surrounding them within service and convenience establishments.

One solution proposed in 1966, was to develop a "sound central core" of

Summary (3 paragraphs)
Traffic Control Planning Activities Desired to Control These Shopping Area has Changed Traffic Patterns Within the Community. The Commercial Development of the Route 2 Corridor as a Destination

Traffic Pattern Changes

• Considered

Police Officers Placement Within the Physical Structure Should be Ensured to er Serve the Safety of Students Within School Buildings, Suggests That Changes in Law Enforcement Requirements Within the Schools to

Police in Schools

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Population Shifts

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Issue Needs Assessment (continued)

CHAPTER VI - COMMUNITY SERVICES & FACILITIES, VI-1, Page VI-2

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Purchasing packages will be assessed as well. Optional demand, retail, and competitive approach is the most efficient. A more efficient cruiser such as a detective or a new car's feature equipment - The Department strives to replace its 10 main fleet.

Equipment - The Department strives to replace its 10 main fleet.

A more secure area is required. A lack of storage space for records and a general lack of

Lack of space for records and a general lack of

Requirements in the near future. This may be a state mandated

and authoritative repair. This may be a state mandated

Facility - The existing police station

Including: The existing police station to be addressed,

Facility - The existing police station, particularly for repair of vehicle storage

- Police - Issue Needs Assessment

CHAPTER VI - COMMUNITY SERVICES & FACILITIES, VI-1, Page VI-2
planned to address the problem.

The equipment fire stations. A 5/10 year replacement program is

equipment and vehicles is planned to meet national fire standards for

Improvements to the station facilities are planned. More space is needed

buildings must be kept consistent with the local building and fire codes.

The Veteran's Square area is a major traffic bottleneck. Changes in traffic

during the peak hours and during peak shopping times on Route 2

Fire and Rescue Services

Other Issues and Concerns – Other Issues that concern the Fire Department

Projects/Tasks Planned to Cope with Anticipated Demands

15.

Chapter VI - Community Services & Facilities, p.1; Page 19-5:

Short Term - Administrative space needs appear to dwarf all

Other Short-Term Needs - Communication needs.

Administrative space, particular to administrative programs.

There are problems with both civilian and sworn. A space

planning effort is necessary. Both civilian and sworn, the

Department of Department's needs and reporting, particularly

Currently underway. Such planning is currently underway.

Community Housing Characteristics

Problems, particularly during busy shopping days and times are
Underway, increasing pressure and volume West Street Tank – Plans to re-furbish the West Street Tank are volume will be addressed.

Next, area are underway and problems with pressure and West Warwick Area – Plans for the improvements to the system in the project will be underway shortly.

Flushing Program – An annual flushing program is planned and executed consistent with the comprehensive plan. Water lines are planned and installed to meet West Warwick Industrial Park – new Waterfield Hill and the West Warwick Industrial Park – new Wamumbi.

Repair and Replacement Program – Programs to correct for pressure and volume.

System Improvements – (additional points added)

The KCMWA have none of their well heads extending into West Warwick. The Kent County Water Authority (KCMWA) wells are needed. There are ongoing programs in place for the increase and new wells are planned. These are ongoing programs in place for the increase.

Water Service – (1 full paragraph)

CHAPTER VI – COMMUNITY SERVICES & FACILITIES; V.II, Page 19.
Develop an official zoning map for the community at plat map scale which is easily modifiable and is updated consistently with state statute.

Amendment Statement as follows:

20. CHAPTER IX - IMPLEMENTATION: Element II, Land Use, Paragraph IX-3, 1 "box, "C" add the following:

For all new or improved roadways and sidewalks:

2. Codify into the subdivision regulations, road and pedestrian walkway, sidewalk dimension standards as well as details as to the construction standards and construction specifications that exactly define road and sidewalk and construction specifications. As well as details to the construction standards and construction specifications that exactly define road and sidewalk and construction standards and construction specifications that exactly define road and sidewalk.

7. Codify into the subdivision regulations, road and pedestrian walkway:

#7 box under existing #6 box:

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Field work, functional workable regulations, and construction specifications, as well as standards and specifications.

The expansion of development projects and appropriate road design.

Include in the design of new development, redevelopment, and existing recreation programs and accommodate those programs with existing recreational programs and accommodate those programs with existing recreational programs.

3. Base acquisition and development programs on 10-year studies of demand and usage. The first step in this process was to calculate the demand and usage.

1._edit_column_2nd_phrase:

Communication Implementation - Planning is underway to

1._edit_column_2nd_phrase:

kaim County Water Authority

1._edit_column_2nd_phrase:

Shaping of meeting directives (1):

between staff's coordination of construction activities and the wastewater treatment program. Steps include: regular meetings.

Improving communications between the KCWA and the municipal.
CHAPTER IX - IMPLEMENTATION, Element V, Economic Development

Proper dimensional requirements for living spaces for the special needs community, including accessible areas, safe window and door locations, and close access to emergency and exit elevators, will help ensure the safety and ease of access to the public housing units and the easy of access to and the safety of public housing units.

Improvements made to the Land Use Element

Reference to the "Review of other Zoning Ordinances Should be Expanded, as described in the map," making requirements more explicit and better

Strengths of special use permit standards within the zoning ordinance

CHAPTER IX - IMPLEMENTATION, Element II, Land Use, Page IX-3, 263

CHAPTER IX - IMPLEMENTATION, Element III, Housing, Page IX-13, 239
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