

# South Hadley, Massachusetts

## Comprehensive Plan Update



### **Status of Comprehensive Planning Process**

- September 2007, the Planning Board contracted with the firm of VHB, Inc. to provide consultant services for the comprehensive planning process.
- November/December 2007, with input from VHB staff, the Board recruited and appointed volunteers to serve on a 15-member Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee. At present, the membership consists of the following: Kate Bedard, Connie Clancy, Mike Fisher, Lucia Foley, Robert Gelinias, Martha Johnson, Dale Johnston, Wendy Kelleher, Jeremy King, Jeffrey Labrecque, Dan Luis, Jesse Lytle, Melissa O'Brien, Kurt Schenker, Martha Terry, Nathan Therien, and Linda Young. Kevin McCaffrey was appointed to serve as an alternate for Jesse Lytle as the Mount Holyoke College representative.
- During 2007-2009, CPAC members worked with VHB staff to hold several public forums, met with numerous community officials and leaders, and conducted surveys to obtain community input. Based on the comments and review of various data, CPAC members and VHB staff developed the recommended Comprehensive Plan.
- On November 17, 2009, CPAC will submit their recommended plan to the Planning Board, Selectboard, and other town boards and committees. The Planning Board will review the proposed plan, make edits in the document, and hold a public hearing prior to considering the plan for adoption.
- CPAC and the Planning Board have indicated a desire to have Town Meeting endorse the plan at the May 2010 Annual Town Meeting.

### ***Access to Planning Documents***

- During the planning process, VHB created and hosted a website for public access to the various CPAC planning documents, meeting minutes. Etc.
- As the planning process comes to an end, the Town has created a separate page on the Town's website for Comprehensive Planning  
[http://southhadleyma.virtualtownhall.net/Pages/SouthHadleyMA\\_CPAC/index](http://southhadleyma.virtualtownhall.net/Pages/SouthHadleyMA_CPAC/index)

### ***Request for Comments***

As noted above, copies of the recommended Comprehensive Plan and other related materials are posted on the website. Everyone is encouraged to review these materials and offer their comments via the following:

South Hadley Planning Board  
116 Main Street – Room 204  
South Hadley, MA 01075

Or, you may email comments to: [CPAC@southhadley.org](mailto:CPAC@southhadley.org)