What is it?
The Citywide Plan is also called the Plan of Conservation & Development (POCD):

• Every city and town in Connecticut is required to have a ten-year POCD under state law (CGS, Ch. 126, sec. 8-23). Norwalk adopted its last Citywide Plan/POCD in 2008.

• It’s the only plan that covers the entire geography of the city, has a vision for the entire city, and strategically integrates priorities for many different topics and types of plans for the city.

• Development of the plan is guided by an Oversight Committee made up of Planning Commission members and other members appointed by the Mayor.

• The plan must be adopted by the Planning Commission (by two-thirds vote if not also endorsed by the Common Council).

What will the new Citywide Plan/POCD contain?

• The plan will take an integrated approach to a broad set of topics—housing, neighborhoods, economic development, parks and open space, historic resources, transportation and infrastructure, sustainability and climate change resilience, and more. The City’s other planning initiatives will inform its recommendations.

• The plan will start with where we are today and the trends that will affect us in the future.

• The Norwalk community’s vision for the future, our goals, and priorities will be linked to strategies and actions to achieve the vision and goals.

• An action plan will identify the What?—How?—Who?—When?—and How Much?—to implement the plan.

WHAT MAKES THIS A COMMUNITY PLAN?

• The plan’s foundation is a citywide vision and set of goals for the future developed during community dialogue and discussion.

• We want you involved! If you’re a resident, business owner, or anyone with a stake in Norwalk’s future, join in the planning process. Sign up for news about events and surveys, and to see maps, presentations, and documents on the Norwalk Tomorrow website. tomorrow.norwalkct.org
How long will it take to complete the new Citywide Plan/POCD?

• The plan will take approximately a year to complete and is expected to be ready for public hearings in fall 2018.
• Look for news on the Norwalk Tomorrow website, tomorrow.norwalkct.org this coming winter and spring.
• The Oversight Committee will hold periodic meetings throughout the process. All committee meetings are open to the public.

Overview of the POCD Process

1. Existing Conditions
   August–November 2017
   • VISIONING FORUM

2. Community Visioning
   October 2017–January 2018
   • COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION WORKSHOPS
   • TOPIC-BASED WORKSHOPS
   • PUBLIC OPEN HOUSES

3. Plan Development
   January–May 2018
   • PUBLIC FORUM ON DRAFT CITYWIDE PLAN

4. Draft Plan & Review
   May–September 2018
   • PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD
   • PUBLIC OPEN HOUSES

5. Plan Presentation/ Final Plan
   September–November 2018

If you care about Norwalk’s future, we want to hear from you! Join the planning process.

Consulting Team

Stantec (lead consultant) • Hodge Economic Consulting (economic development)

For More Information

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