

CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON | DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Robert Harris, Director of Planning & Economic Development

2020 ANNUAL REPORT

Year in Review

Development activity as tracked below remained close to 2019 levels with 49 tracked planning transactions versus 52 in 2019. Much of this activity was a combination of projects begun in previous years and from smaller, individual projects such as special exceptions and minor reviews. Nevertheless, the relative pace of activity reflected, in part, the continued interest in Port Washington even during the COVID-19 pandemic. 2020 Planning highlights include:

<u>Newport Shores Ground Breaking</u>. The Newport Shores mixed use condominium development cleared several milestones paving the way for construction on the site of the Newport Shores restaurant at 407 E Jackson Street to commence in 2020. Approvals acquired in 2020 included the final site land division and approval of the condo plat. The Newport Shores project will consist of approximately 30 condo units occupying three floors of the 4.5 story building with planned commercial space on the ground floor and roof top bar and event space.

<u>Future Land Use Map Update</u>: Updating the City's future land use plan began in earnest in 2019 but due to COVID-19 restrictions this project was paused. It is anticipated this plan will be approved in 2021.

Looking Forward

The Planning Department has identified several goals to accomplish in 2021, all aimed at creating a smoother and more predictable approval process for City staff, committee members, alders, developers, and local property owners while at the same time promoting good planning and urban design principles. These goals include:

- 1. Completion of the City's 2020-2030 future land use plan. (Update: Approval scheduled for Fall-Winter 2021).
- 2. Creation of updated Plan Commission application submittal requirements.
- 3. Update the Planning website with Plan Commission dates and submittal requirements. (Completed)
- 4. Revise various sections of the City zoning code including signage standards. (Completed with signage standards scheduled for approval Fall-Winter 2021).
- 5. Apply for grant funding of a 2021 Downtown Master Plan. (Successfully completed)
- 6. Kick-Off of a Downtown Planning Process

Planning and Development	
Activity	2018
Building and Site Plans	11
Rezoning	4
Ordinance Changes	
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2020 Planning Activity

Totals	36	52	49	
Surplus Property Sales	2	1	0	
Annexations	0	0	0	
Public Way Vacations	0	0	2	
Minor Reviews			5	
Special Exceptions	7	11	7	
Concept Plans	4	4	3	
Subdivision Plats	4	4	2	
CSM / Land Divisions	2	6	8	
Conditional Use Grants	2	4	6	
Ordinance Changes		2	0	
Rezoning	4	10	7	
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