

## **MUNICIPAL PLANNING & IMPLEMENTATION AGENDAS**

The PIA's presented for each municipality have their origin in many sources: recent master plans and other planning reports, coordination between local officials and consultants on this study, steering and advisory committee meetings, and PIA's prepared for a number of the municipalities under previous or ongoing center petition applications. The goals stated herein do not replace goals expressed in the PIA's of already approved center petitions, but are rather intended to augment them. The municipal PIA's represent the effort to implement the broad goals of the regional PIA at a local level.

Below is a key for other agencies and time frame.

### Agencies:

- Board of Freeholders
- Coastal Heritage Program
- CCADB - Cumberland County Agricultural Development Board
- CCDPD - Cumberland County Department of Planning and Development
- CCIA- Cumberland County Improvement Authority
- CC Office of Tourism- Cumberland County Office of Tourism
- CCUA- Cumberland County Utilities Authority
- COAH - Council on Affordable Housing
- Cooperative Extension
- County Parks Office
- Cumberland Community College
- Empowerment Zone
- Main Street
- NJDA - New Jersey Department of Agriculture
- NJDCA - New Jersey Department of Community Affairs
- NJDEP - New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
- NJ Dept. of Commerce- New Jersey Department of Commerce
- NJDOT- New Jersey Department of Transportation
- NJEDA- New Jersey Economic Development Authority

- NJOSG- New Jersey Office of Smart Growth
- NJSHPO- New Jersey State Historic Preservation Office
- NJT – New Jersey Transit
- NJ Treasury
- NPS- National Parks Service
- Legislature
- Pinelands Commission
- Private owners
- Rutgers University
- SADC – State Agriculture Development Committee
- SJTPO- South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization
- USDA- United States Department of Agriculture

### Time frame:

Short - 1 to 2 years

Medium - 3 to 5 years

Long - More than 5 years

## LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION AGENDA

Areas	Issues	Strategies	Other Agencies	Time Frame	Targets	
<b>Natural Areas</b>	Protection of natural areas	1	Prepare conservation plan for Township and create conservation district in zoning ordinance.	CCDPD	Medium	Conservation District in Zoning Ordinance
		2	Consider buffer around Cedarville Ponds State Wildlife Management Area to protect from surrounding industrial uses; designate as critical environmental site.	CCDPD	Short	Zoning ordinance change
	Improve access to WMA	3	Work with State to improve access to Bay Point Marina and WMA	NJDEP, NJDOT		Road improvements (Near completion)
<b>Historic/Cultural</b>	Enhance historic character to stabilize neighborhoods, foster ecotourism	4	Seek funding to prepare an historic preservation plan. Initiate historic structures survey. Amend land development ordinance.	CCDPD, NJSHPO	Medium	Historic preservation plan; zoning ordinance amendments
	Develop transportation facilities to support ecotourism industry	5	Seek funding to develop a scenic road plan in coordination with the County scenic byway plan efforts.	NJDOT, NJDEP, CCDPD	Long	Regional Scenic Byway Plan
<b>Agriculture</b>	Assess options to maintain farmland and reduce residential sprawl	6	Track residential development in Agricultural zone, and take action to preserve farmland if significant development continues. Evaluate transfer of development rights to reduce farmland development.	CCDPD	Medium	Zoning Ordinance
		7	Prepare an Agricultural Retention Plan, identifying farm properties and preservation goals and techniques.	CCDPD, CCDA	Medium	Agriculture Retention Plan
	Encourage agriculture and agri-industry	8	Continue to evaluate agriculture zoning to support agri-industry.	CCDPD	Medium	Zoning Ordinance
<b>Transportation</b>	Improve pedestrian safety in centers	9	Implement pedestrian safety plan through securing grants for new sidewalks in center.	NJDOT Local Aid for Centers of Place, CCIA, CC Engineer	On-going	Installed sidewalks
<b>Sewer/Water</b>	Develop sewers to support directed growth in centers	10	Consider evaluating alternative sewer options to support focused growth in Cedarville.	NJDEP	Long	Alternative sewage treatment plan

**LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION AGENDA (continued)**

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<b>Economy</b>	Promote development in center	11	Evaluate R-1 and RD districts outside Cedarville; areas which lack road infrastructure and are farmed should be changed from Agricultural zone; areas which lack roads and are not prime farmland should be considered for clustering or planned hamlet development.	CCDCD	Complete	Master Plan and zoning ordinance change
		12	Promote ecotourism in Cedarville Village by revising land use regulations to promote these businesses and activities.	CCDPD, NJDCA, NJOSG	Complete	Increase commercial activity from ecotourism
		13	Continue to support development of RedPak property.	NJOSG, USDRA, NED	Medium	Redevelopment /Adaptive Re-Use Plan
	Enhance appearance of centers through streetscape improvements and amenities	14	Participate in business development program for CR553 corridor. Seek funding from NJDCA and NJDOT for design and installation of sidewalk, curbs, streetlights, signs and other streetscape elements on CR553 and adjacent streets within Cedarville. Street enhancement will improve appearance and increase business.	NJDOT, NJDCA, CDC, CCDPD	On-going / Short	Streetscape improvements (\$400K grant approved)
	Maintain use of railroad to support appropriate industrial uses	15	Evaluate zoning along railroad in non-environmentally constrained areas to encourage continued industrial uses.	CCDPD	On-going	Zoning Ordinance
<b>Housing</b>	Provide needed affordable housing	16	Seek funding to undertake Housing Plan in accord with COAH regulations	NJOSG, COAH	Medium	Housing Element and Fair Share Plan
<b>Land Use</b>	Update land use plans and regulations	17	Update and revise Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance as needed (Township recently adopted new Master Plan and Ordinance).	NJOSP, NJDCA	Medium	Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance
<b>Intermunicipal Cooperation</b>	Create Southeast Region Planning Committee	18	Create planning committee for Millville, Maurice River, Commercial, Downe and Lawrence to help coordinate economic development, growth management, conservation and intermunicipal cooperation including shared services and revenue and cost sharing.	CCDPD, CDC	Short	SE Region Planning Committee
	Continue regional planning efforts and projects	19	Continue WSCR planning process after Plan is endorsed to implement projects and develop new plans and policies. Continue support for major WSCR projects, including the development of revenue sharing plans, intermunicipal industrial park, the Rural Enterprise Zone and reduced sales tax.	CDC, CCDPD, NJOSG	On-going	Implementation of projects, new plans
	Reduction of costs for municipal services	20	Participate in regional shared services study to identify potential opportunities to reduce costs.	CDC	On-going	Shared services

**Bay Point Hamlet  
Lawrence Township  
Proposed Center Boundary**

1 inch = 400 feet

**Legend**  
[Yellow outline] Proposed Center Boundary

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