



REQUEST FOR ACTION BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN

DATE SUBMITTED: May 15, 2015	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACTION
DATE ACTION REQUESTED: May 18, 2015	<input type="checkbox"/> DISCUSSION ONLY
SUBJECT: Village Study Committee	

DISCUSSION OF OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO THE BOARD: The Village Study Committee has requested two actions of the Board of Selectmen. First is to seek voter endorsement of the newly drafted Village Master Plan, and second is to ask the Planning Board to begin work to implement the zoning recommendations of that plan. These are no-cost actions.

At some point in the near future the Committee will make two additional requests of the Board. The first request will be a request to extend our contract with TDRC so they can undertake the second phase of work – the Schematic Design/Design Development Phase. The second request will be to ask the Committee to work on a scope of services for additional services – grant-writing and building design standards. The selection of TDRC was based, in part, on their stated ability to find outside sources of money to reduce the cost burden to the York taxpayers. It's going to take an upfront investment to bring their ideas to fruition. The building design standards are important because they will help ensure that new dimensional standards in the Zoning Ordinance result in good looking changes to the built landscape.

RECOMMENDATION: The Village Study Committee has requested, and I recommend, two actions:

- 1) Request the Planning Board propose the Village Master Plan be incorporated into the Comprehensive Plan this coming November.
- 2) Request the Planning Board initiate the process of creating a zoning district and standards for the York Village Center, consistent with the Village Master Plan.

PROPOSED MOTION: There are 2 motions:

- 1) I move to request the Planning Board proposed the Village Master Plan be incorporated into the Comprehensive Plan this coming November.
- 2) I move to request the Planning Board to initiate the process of creating a zoning district and standards for the York Village Center, consistent with the Village Master Plan.

PREPARED BY: 

REVIEWED BY: _____