

# A VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF MEDFORD

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PLEASE READ THE VISION STATEMENT AND COMPLETE THE SURVEY ON THE REVERSE SIDE

## VISION STATEMENT

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### GOALS

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#### Land Use and the Community

- Preserve parcels, structures, and areas that retain the character of historic Medford.
- Provide a diversity of housing for all segments of the population.
- Limit large format retail and industrial land uses to appropriately zoned areas.
- Identify and acquire parcels for new active and passive parks.
- Expand community facilities, services, and civic spaces.

#### The Hamlet Center

- Create a Hamlet Center near the railroad station with a distinctive identity that provides a 'sense of place' for the community.
- Encourage neighborhood retail and professional offices in and adjacent to the Hamlet Center.
- Provide roadway and streetscape improvements that encourage pedestrian use, calm traffic, and support an attractive and functional Hamlet Center.

#### Green Spaces

- Identify and acquire environmentally significant open space.
- Create green space connections for pedestrians and bicyclists.

#### Mobility

- Provide transit service enhancements in the Hamlet Center.
- Provide appropriate roadway improvements to serve existing large format retail and industrial areas.
- Provide sidewalks and other roadway improvements that support safe routes to school.

### IMPLEMENTATION OBJECTIVES

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- Continue to work with community representatives to guide process.
- Modify zoning regulations to insure that future development meets community objectives for Medford's "Opportunity Areas" and Hamlet Center.
- Designate selected green spaces as sending areas for transfer of development rights.
- Designate the Hamlet Center as a priority receiving area for transfer of development rights.
- Provide zoning codes that encourage safer and more attractive commercial areas.

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# MEDFORD RESIDENTS SURVEY

Answer with 1-5 (1= strongly disagree to 5= strongly agree)

Fill in number to right of statement

<b>Land Use</b>	Parcels and structures that retain the character of historic Medford should be preserved	
	Older neighborhoods should remain single family residential	
	Environmentally significant open space parcels should be identified and acquired	
	There is little civic space in Medford	
	There is not enough neighborhood retail walking distance from residential areas	
	Some land uses along SR 112 are inappropriate for a major thoroughfare	
	Automobile dealers and repair shops should be concentrated in one area	
	Large format retail and industrial land uses should be limited to appropriately zoned areas	
	Scattered industrial activity should be limited to industrial zoned areas	
	Residential areas should be buffered from industrial land uses	
<b>Aesthetics</b>	Commercial land uses are important to the tax base and school budget	
	There should be a way to announce entry to Medford from the LIE onto 112	
	There are too many signs on corridor roads	
<b>Mobility</b>	Corridor areas would benefit from architectural guidelines	
	I have to drive to almost all shopping and services in Medford	
	Two lanes on SR 112 by the station makes pedestrian crossing easier	
	Sidewalks on the corridor roads are comfortable for pedestrians	
	There are safe walk/bike routes to schools, playgrounds, and parks	
	The community is separated north/south by the railroad	
	I would use the railroad if there were more frequent trains	
	I would use a shuttle to the Ronkonkoma station from the Medford station	
	Truck access to the center of Medford should be limited	
	Trucks should access the Peconic Avenue industrial area from the east only	
<b>Housing</b>	Medford is primarily a single-family residential community	
	There is sufficient housing choice for all segments of population	
	A mix of housing types would allow the young, elderly, and families to live in the same neighborhood	
	There is little housing available that is walking distance to shopping	
<b>Recreation</b>	Apartments should be near shopping and transit	
	I would welcome more neighborhood (pocket) parks in Medford	
	Access to Medford parks by foot or bicycle is inadequate	
	There need to be more places to walk, hike, and bike	
<b>Hamlet Center</b>	Access to new 'greenways' for passive recreation would be welcome	
	I would like a central place for outdoor concerts, art shows, festivals	
	A post office, library, and historic museum belong in a Hamlet Center	
	I like the idea of a restaurant/café opening onto a public square	
	The idea of a multipurpose public plaza or 'village green' is appealing	
	Neighborhood stores would be a welcome addition to a Hamlet Center	
	I would support professional offices in a Hamlet Center	
	Retail and office activity in a Medford Center would be compatible with civic uses	
	I would be comfortable with some apartments over stores in the Hamlet Center	
	I would be in favor of roadway and streetscape improvements to encourage pedestrian use, calm traffic, and support an attractive and functional Hamlet Center	
The station area should connect to retail areas along SR 112 to the north and south		
A Hamlet Center should be created near the railroad station with a distinctive identity that provides a 'sense of place' for the community		

These are the Unique Properties, Buildings, and Places that are important in Medford:

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