

# City of New Britain **Strategic Plan Committee**

### **Committee Members**

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# January 28, 2022 at 10:00am – 11:30am City Hall, Room 504

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Committee mission and operations discussion
- 3. Plan of Conservation and Development
  - a. Executive Summary
- 4. Projects

Downtown/Broad/Myrtle	Status
The Brit (Burrit Bank)	Progressing
Sister Brit (Dakille/Amato's)	Progressing
DOT Fastrak Pad Site	Progressing
Mitch's Place	Stalled
161 Main/PD Lot	Progressing
125 Columbus/Old Lot	Progressing
102 West Main – Wireless Connection	Progressing

189 Chestnut-Plimpton and Hillis	Progressing
27 Main Street (Doris Building)	Progressing
CCSU Bldg/Charter Oak	Progressing
Badolato/Pearl Parcel	Stalled
Parcel 9	Stalled
Frontier Lot	Stalled
West Main Street Interior Lots	Progressing
Grace Church Parcel/Badolato Dr.	Stalled
Badolato Garage	Progressing
Myrtle & Burritt Corner	Progressing
480 Myrtle	Progressing
5-39 Arch	Progressing
67 Arch	Progressing
Arch Street Complete Streets	Progressing
Berkowitz Building	Progressing
Downtown Banners	Progressing
238 North	Progressing
Arch/West Pearl Corner	Progressing
Downtown Parking Study	Stalled
Miss Washington Diner	Stalled

East Side	Status
St. Thomas Aquinas	Progressing
Chamberlain Square	Stalled
Guida's Maintenance Garage	Stalled
DPW Relocation	Progressing
Salt Shed Relocation	Completed
24 Dwight Court	Progressing
ROOT Center	Completed
LOTCIP John Downey Drive	Progressing
321 Ellis/Landers, Frary and Clark	Progressing
Chamberlain Elementary School	Progressing

Belvedere/CCSU/East Street	Status
1411 East Street	Stalled
CCSU Parking Garage	Progressing
East/Cedar Street CRCOG Study	Progressing
Hartford Road	Progressing

Northwest	Status
Batterson Park Tri-Town Revitalization	Progressing
Batterson Park Water Project	Progressing
Pinnacle Park	
Osgood Park	

City-Wide	Status
ARPA Funds	Progressing
Tourist Trolley	Progressing
Blight Task Force	Progressing

<b>Smart City Projects</b>	
Municode	Progressing
City Website	Progressing
In-Time	Progressing
Central Square/CAD	Progressing
Bullseye/Watchdog	Progressing
See, Click, Fix Report	Progressing
Anaerobic Digester (Coventry)	Progressing
Fiber Connectivity	Progressing
SCADA System	Progressing
Water Meter Replacement Project	Progressing
CMAQ Traffic Signal Modernization	Progressing
Energy & Innovation Park	Progressing

## 5. Smart City Goals 2020/2021

- 5% reduction in energy focus on demand reduction (schools closed due to Covid will contribute to this)
- School competition for energy reduction tie in with schools getting LED light retrofits?
- LED light retrofit projects at schools completion
- Get solar re-installed at Smalley Elementary School or at another site with compatible roofs (money approved for Slade and Pulaski roof projects too?)
- Complete Streets Masterplan Phase 6,7,8 Construction
- Identify gaps and future planning for Complete Streets Masterplan (Phase 9 & John Downey Drive)
- Explore ways to handle the impending trash "crisis"
- Plan for the expansion of 5G Technology, what kind of land use planning will we need to limit exposure and blight?
- Look for additional ways to expand solar capacity on City landfills
- Add second anaerobic digester to City portfolio
- Expand fiber network to increase connectivity to City Hall
- COVID-19 Lessons: Remote Capabilities & Mobile Meeting Preparedness

# What are our 2022 SMART goals?

- Complete NB FLUSH investment into sewer infrastructure that includes massive line replacements
- Continue to utilize the Blight Task Force to revitalize run down properties
- Look into viability of City composting program

#### 6. POCD Goals

#### **LIVE**

- 1. Support neighborhood retail and services
- 2. Provide well-designed parking opportunities
- 3. Enhance public infrastructure in neighborhood corridors
- 4. Maintain a diverse housing stock that supports all life stages and income levels
- 5. Upgrade, modernize, and rehabilitate the housing stock
- 6. Bolster homeownership programs
- 7. Continue to make strategic investments in community facilities
- 8. Continue to provide high-quality public services

#### **GROW**

- 1. Grow the Downtown residential population through infill and adaptive reuse
- 2. Grow the Downtown employment base
- 3. Expand restaurant, retail, and service opportunities
- 4. Provide efficient and accessible parking opportunities
- 5. Create hives of activity for all populations
- 6. Enhance "last mile" connections
- 7. Reposition brownfield sites in TOD areas
- 8. Relocate the public works facility
- 9. Grow the residential population in the East Street and East Main Street TOD areas
- 10. Enhance connections between East Street station and CCSU
- 11. Complete public infrastructure improvements in the East Main Street TOD area
- 12. Reposition underutilized and obsolete sites & activities presenting conflicting land uses
- 13. Return brownfields to productive use
- 14. Focus on strong performing industry clusters in manufacturing, building trades, and healthcare
- 15. Provide an educated, skilled, and dynamic workforce
- 16. Support entrepreneurship and small business growth

#### **PLAY**

- 1. Support and market historic resources
- 2. Grow and promote arts and cultural assets
- 3. Promote and encourage community events and civic opportunities
- 4. Continue to maintain and renovate the public park system
- 5. Enhance parks and recreation programming
- 6. Enhance connections between parks and residential neighborhoods
- 7. Establish a long-term vision for New Britain Stadium

#### **CONNECT**

- 1. Maintain an efficient and balanced roadway network
- 2. Provide Complete Streets that support all users
- 3. Enhance bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure
- 4. Provide high-quality transit service
- 5. Support emerging transportation trends
- 6. Enhance regional connections to Greater Hartford
- 7. Maintain and modernize sewer and storm water infrastructure
- 8. Modernize public water infrastructure
- 9. Enhance information technology infrastructure

#### **SUSTAIN**

- 1. Maintain the highest-level certification through the Sustainable CT program
- 2. Reduce energy consumption and promote green energy technology
- 3. Protect the City's drinking water supply
- 4. Promote public health and wellbeing
- 5. Increase access to healthy food options
- 6. Support urban agriculture
- 7. Reduce waste generated from municipal buildings and schools
- 8. Explore opportunities to reduce waste management costs
- 9. Implement the recommendations of the natural hazard mitigation plan

## 7. Next Meeting:

Friday, February 25th, 10 AM