



O v e r v i e w o f P r o c e s s

The process for this Neighborhood Plan was designed to foster stakeholder participation and investment in the Plan. Stakeholders who participated throughout the process included village residents, businesses, property owners, and developers. With input and buy-in, the Plan is more likely to be implemented in a cooperative and coordinated manner. Below is an overview of the steps that were taken throughout the planning process, which were integral to development of this document:

- On February 5, 2008 the Plan Commission held a special meeting to kick off the planning process. At this meeting, the members discussed goals and objectives of this process, the best possible alternatives for gaining valuable public input, and preliminary boundary of the planning area. A schedule was approved for proceeding through the process and plans were made regarding public workshops.
- On March 11, 2008, the Plan Commission reviewed relevant land and property information for the planning area, including existing land uses and property values. They also established the framework and dates for workshops to engage village residents, businesses, property owners, and developers.
- The first neighborhood workshop was held on April 24, 2008. This workshop provided village residents, businesses, property owners, and developers with an opportunity to view and analyze the data that had been collected regarding existing conditions. The workshop also provided an interactive forum for village residents, businesses, property owners, and developers to discuss their ideas for the future as they relate to land use, height and density, urban design, and transportation. A summary of the input received at this workshop is included in each section.
- The Plan Commission worked to develop a draft Plan based on the input from the first workshop.

- A second workshop was held on July 10, 2008. This workshop provided village residents, businesses, property owners, and developers with the opportunity to comment on the drafted Plan prior to adoption by the Plan Commission and Village Board. Participants were invited to provide input and pose questions related to the implementation of the Plan and to determine what they can expect after the adoption of the Plan.
- The Plan Commission held a series of working sessions to discuss further revisions to the Plan.
- On November 11, 2008 the Plan Commission forwarded the drafted Neighborhood Plan to the Village Board for its review and comment.
- A public hearing was held by the Village Board on December 15, 2008. The Board forwarded its comments back to the Plan Commission following the hearing.
- On January 13, 2009 the Plan Commission adopted the Neighborhood Plan and certified it to the Village Board.