

An aerial photograph of a town, likely in New York, showing a river flowing through it. A bridge crosses the river in the center. The town is surrounded by green trees and has several houses and buildings. The text "Public Workshop #1 - Overview" is overlaid in the center.

Public Workshop #1 - Overview

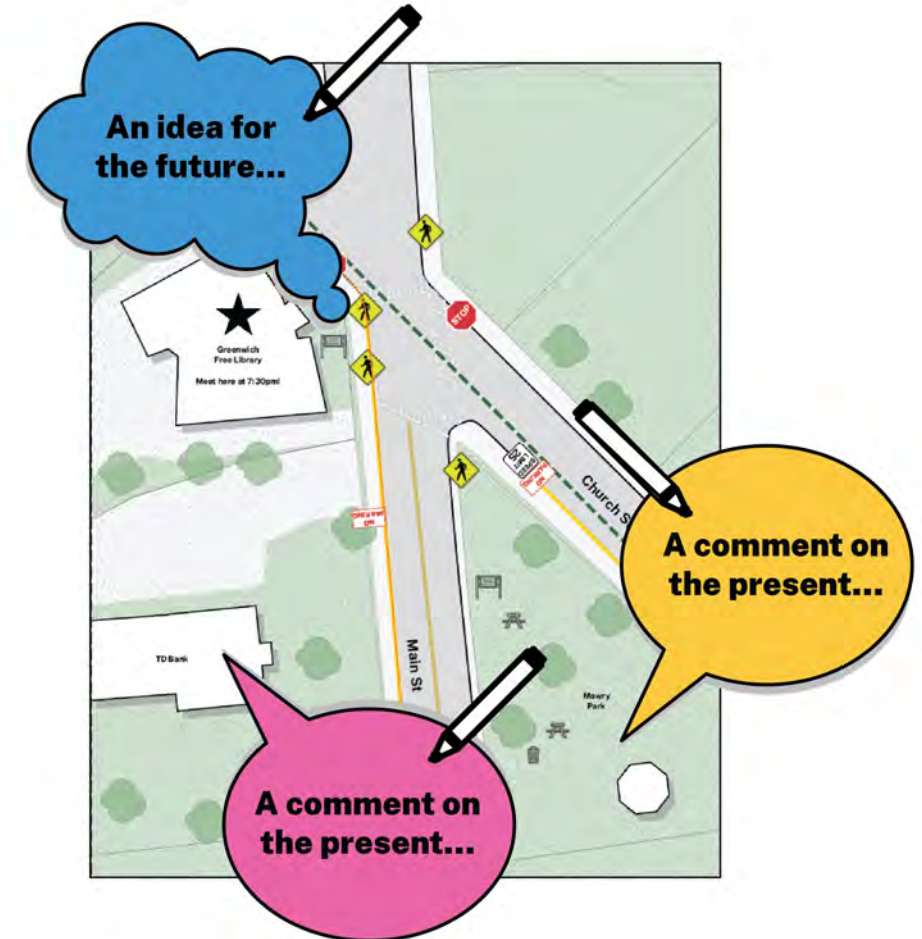
Public Workshop #1- Overview

- Opening remarks from Co-Chair
- NY Forward Overview Presentation
 - Public Q&A
- Breakout Activity
 - Walking tour of downtown
 - Comments on present & ideas for future
 - Sharing thoughts on vision and goals
- Group Discussion

Walking Tour

Share your vision and goals for downtown Greenwich!

Add your **comments on the present**  and **ideas for the future**  on the provided shapes and place them over the walking tour map.



Who Was There?

- About **30** Participants
- State team
 - NY DOS: Matt Smith
- Consultant Team
 - Buro Happold: Amy Stanfield
 - Interboro: Dan D'Oca, Kate Chapman, Lexy Bogdanovic, Doris Duanmu
 - LaBella: Norabelle Greenberger



Public Workshop #1 – Walking Tours



















Feedback from the Walking Tours

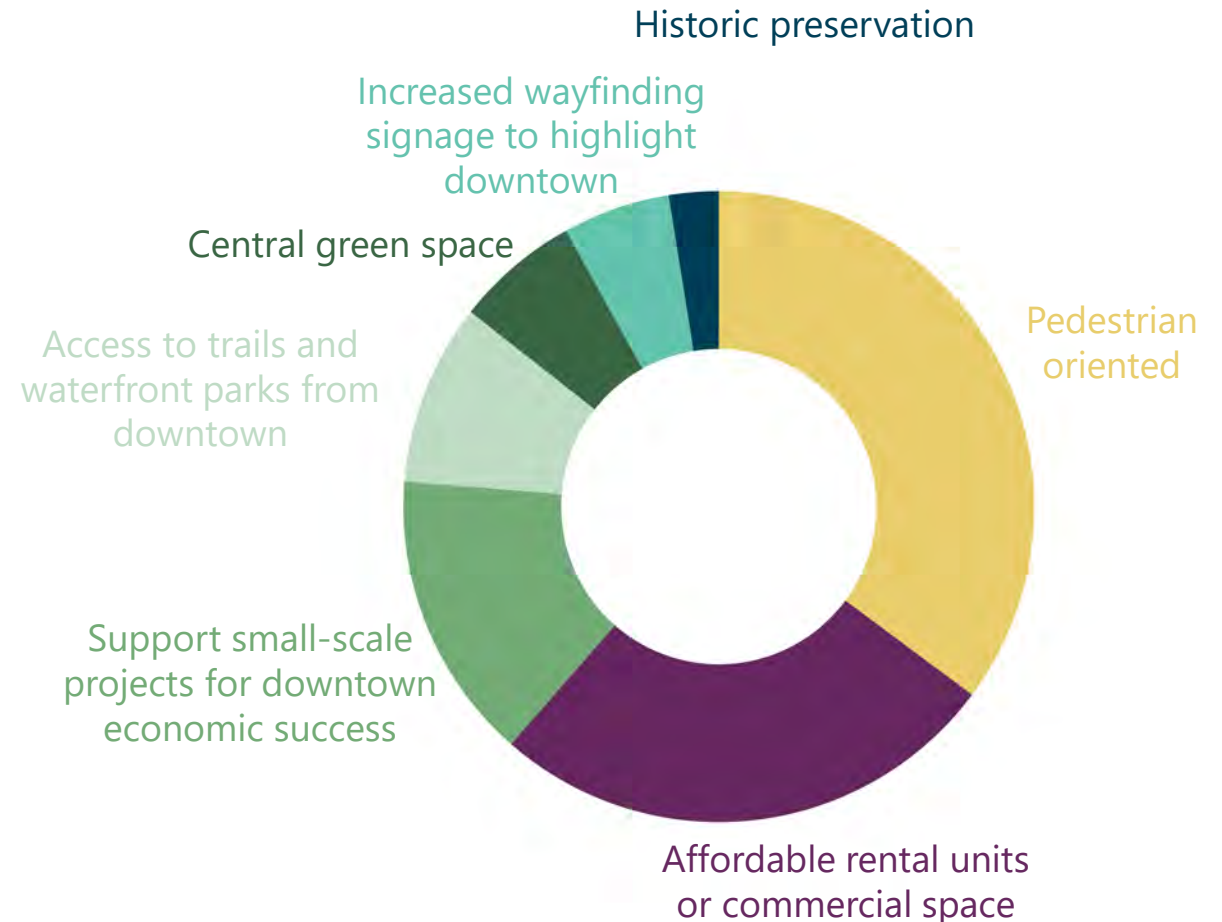
- We heard **131 comments** from the Walkability, Bikeability, and Open Space group
- We heard **37 comments** from the Housing and Historic Preservation group
- We heard **31 comments** from the Economic Development group
- We heard **37 comments** when we reconvened for a group discussion



233
comments!

Feedback from the Walking Tours

- **83 comments** related to "Pedestrian oriented"
- **62 comments** related to "Affordable rental units or commercial space"
- **35 comments** related to "Support small-scale projects for downtown economic success"
- **22 comments** related to "Access to trails and waterfront parks from downtown"
- **15 comments** related to "Central green space"
- **13 comments** related to "Increased wayfinding signage to highlight downtown"
- **6 comments** related to "Historic preservation"



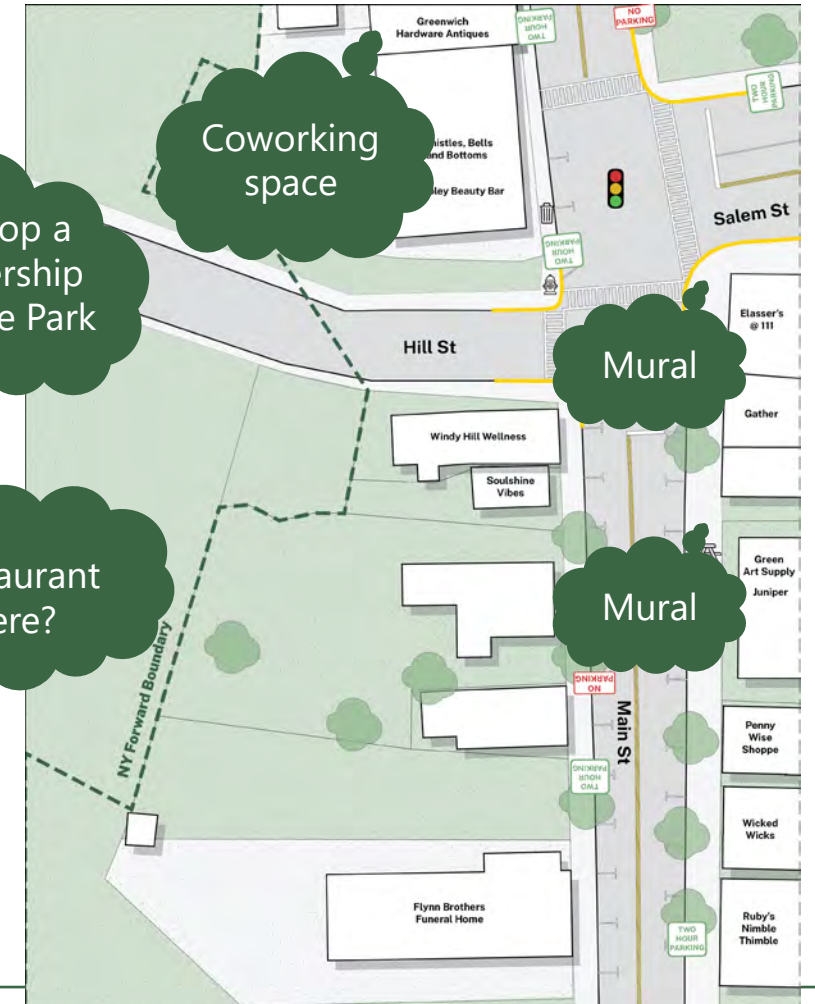
Some Comments We Heard on the Tours

- "This is the worst it has ever been for **safety, walkability, and connectivity**. The traffic and pedestrian pattern is not in tandem."
- "We should **tighten up downtown**, not spread it out."
- "We're a pass-through town"
- "How can we **capitalize** on this grant?"
- "For such a small village, it should feel **safer**."
- "**Complete the corner** where Main Street turns into Bridge Street. It should be a **gateway**!"
- "Main Street is split into two sections. The buildings are more **spaced out** on the lower end of the street and without a key place, there isn't much to **draw folks in**."
- "Greenwich has done a good job **restoring buildings**."
- "There is a high demand for more housing. We need **affordable housing, housing for seniors, and housing for young families**."

What We Heard About Downtown



Dreams About Downtown



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Feedback from the Workshop

- Emerging Themes:
 - Improve the pedestrian infrastructure through streetscape projects
 - Balance infill development with connectivity to parks and open space
 - Create more affordable housing, housing for seniors, and housing for young families
 - Foster opportunities for mixed use development
 - Rehabilitate facades along Main Street
 - Coordinate signage and wayfinding around Downtown to activate the village

“If our downtown is thriving, our village will thrive.”

We want to hear more!

The image is a screenshot of the 'Greenwich NY Forward' website. The header is dark green with white text for the site name and navigation links. The main content area features an aerial photograph of a town with green trees and mountains in the background. Overlaid on this are three light green callout boxes. A purple arrow points from the 'Open Call for Projects is Live!' box to the 'Take this survey to give us your feedback!' box. A dark green button is located at the bottom left of the main content area.

Greenwich NY Forward

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Welcome to Greenwich NY Forward!

The NY Forward process, led by the New York Department of State, has awarded the Village of Greenwich \$4.5M to develop a Strategic Investment Plan and implement key catalytic projects that advance the community's vision for revitalization.

Learn More About NY Forward

Open Call for Projects is Live!

Submit the [Open Call Form](#) by August 6

Take this survey to give us your feedback!

LPC Meeting #2

Wednesday July 23rd 4-6pm

Greenwich Jr./Sr. High School
Media Room 518
10 Gray Ave