

TOWN OF MANSFIELD
SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, November 24, 2014

Council Chamber
Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building

6:00 p.m.

A G E N D A

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

WORK SESSION

1. Mansfield Tomorrow Plan of Conservation and Development

ADJOURNMENT



**Town of Mansfield
Agenda Item Summary**

To: Town Council
From: Matt Hart, Town Manager *MH*
CC: Maria Capriola, Assistant Town Manager; Linda Painter, Director of Planning and Development; Jennifer Kaufman, Sustainability and Natural Resources Coordinator
Date: November 24, 2014
Re: October 2014 Draft: Mansfield Tomorrow Plan of Conservation and Development

Subject Matter/Background

On October 27, 2014, copies of the draft Mansfield Tomorrow Plan of Conservation and Development were distributed to the Planning and Zoning Commission (PZC) and Town Council. This revised draft reflects changes based on comments provided by the PZC, the Mansfield Tomorrow Advisory Group, and various town advisory committees on the initial draft of the plan produced earlier this year.

Linda Painter, Director of Planning and Development, and Jennifer Kaufman, Natural Resources and Sustainability Coordinator, will provide an overview of the plan and discuss the review process moving forward. This is also an opportunity for the Council to provide initial comments, particularly on areas and actions of specific interest such as the fiscal goals and strategies identified in Chapter 10.

Staff expects that the PZC will release a public hearing draft incorporating its revisions in December, at which time the PZC will officially refer the plan to the Town Council for review and comment. In accordance with state statute, the Council will have at least 65 days to review the public hearing draft and to provide comments to the PZC prior to public hearings on the draft plan, which the PZC expects to hold in February. As part of its review, the Council may also opt to hold a public hearing.

In addition to any formal public hearings held by the PZC and Town Council, staff will be conducting outreach to the community in the form of information meetings to be held in January. Staff will also post the plan on-line using a website that allows the electronic submission of comments and will make hard copies available at various community facilities such as the Mansfield Public Library, the Mansfield Community Center and the Mansfield Senior Center.