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**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KINGSTON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE TO  
ENDORSE THE DRAFT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DATED AUGUST 7, 2015 AND RECOMMEND ITS  
ADOPTION BY THE KINGSTON COMMON COUNCIL**

Motion By: Lee Molyneux

Second By: Patricia Murphy

**WHEREAS**, the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee was appointed by Alderman at Large James Noble, serving as Chairman, in August 2011, to oversee the preparation of a Comprehensive Plan for the City of Kingston; and

**WHEREAS**, the Steering Committee solicited proposals from professional planning firms, interviewed four such firms and in February 2012, selected the team of Shuster-Turner to assist it during its preparation of an updated Comprehensive Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee (CPSC), liaisons and advisory group have worked alongside the consultant team of Shuster-Turner Associates (others) to review the last Comprehensive Plan dating back to 1961; and

**WHEREAS**, the CPSC and others have reviewed multiple public documents and planning studies which have been developed over the course of several years and also during the process which are listed and considered within the updated Draft Comprehensive Plan (August 7, 2015); and

**WHEREAS**, significant public outreach was made to obtain comment and opinion on various aspects of the plan and contents, including, but not limited to online surveys, a large public engagement termed SWOT to identify the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats, public meetings and online submissions of comments, and

**WHEREAS**, said public outreach and other studies have provided for a solid basis in preparing a plan that reflects the values, vision, plans and goals of the CPSC for the future of the community, and

**WHEREAS**, the Steering Committee conducted a duly advertised public hearing, as required by law, on March 19, 2015, and received written comments until March 26, 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, the Steering Committee reviewed all of the written comments and those received at the public hearing and directed the consultants to make certain revisions to the Draft Comprehensive Plan on June 4, 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, after adequate circulation to all members, it is the decision of the CPSC to endorse the most current document (dated August 7, 2015) for consideration by the Common Council as a guide for future development and planning practice in the City of Kingston.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING STEERING COMMITTEE**, as follows:

**SECTION 1:** That the Draft Comprehensive Plan, dated August 7, 2015, as prepared by Shuster- Turner Associates is hereby endorsed by the CPSC and is hereby submitted to the City of Kingston Common Council for their full consideration and adoption.

**SECTION 2:** That the City of Kingston Common Council shall hold a public hearing prior to adoption of the final Comprehensive Plan as required by New York State and local law.

**SECTION 3:** That it is recommended that the City of Kingston Common Council shall first determine that adoption of the Comprehensive Plan qualifies as a Type I Action, pursuant to NYCRR Part 617.4 (b) (1), and under SEQRA the Common Council shall seek to declare themselves as Lead Agency to undertake an environmental review under NYCRR Part 617, following all regulatory protocol and ultimately render a determination of environmental significance after due consideration.

**SECTION 4:** That the Common Council, upon adoption of the Comprehensive Plan, require that it be reviewed at a minimum of every five (5) years to maintain consistency with current codes and studies to ensure the integrity and consistency of local laws and planning policy. It is recommended that this review would be done by an engaged group of stakeholders, convened by the Common Council as the Comprehensive Plan Review Board.

**SECTION 5:** That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

NAME ( Please sign)	Sign	Agree	Disagree	Abstain w/ reason
James Noble, Chairman ✓	<i>James T Noble</i>	✓		
Suzanne Cahill, Planning Director ✓	<i>Suzanne Cahill</i>	✓		
Kyla Haber-Dedeo, Assit. Planner ✓	<i>Kyla Haber-Dedeo</i>	✓		
Lee Molyneaux ✓	<i>Lee Molyneaux</i>	✓		
Alan Aidala ✓	<i>Alan Aidala</i>	✓		
John Finch				
Kristen Wilson				
Teryl Mickens ✓	<i>Teryl Mickens</i>	✓		
Marco Ochoa				
Reynold -Scott-Childress ✓	<i>Reynold Scott-Childress</i>	✓		
Gregg Swanzey ✓	<i>Gregg Swanzey</i>	✓		
Patricia Murphy ✓	<i>Patricia Murphy</i>	✓		
Thomas Collins				

*James T Noble*

James Noble, Ald. at Large, Chairman

8/26/15

Date