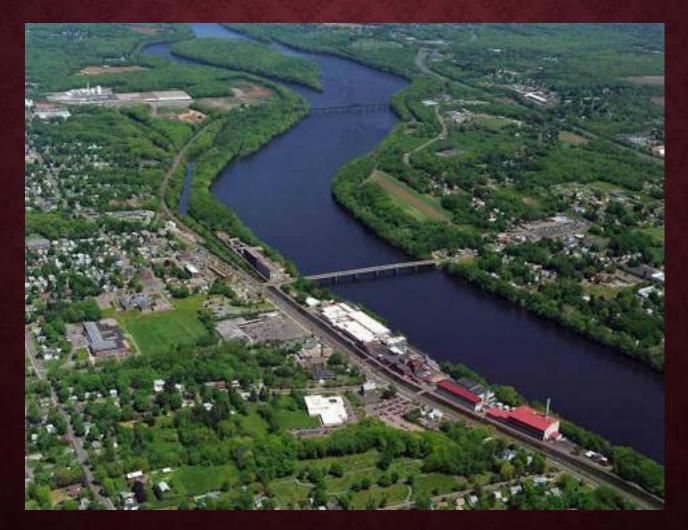
# WINDSOR LOCKS, CT Transit Oriented Development



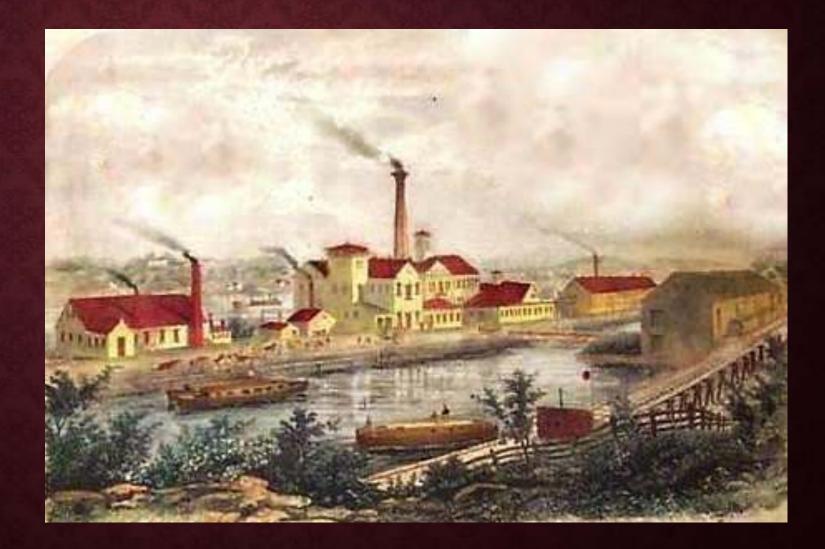
### WINDSOR LOCKS CANAL OPENS 1829 CONNECTICUT'S ORIGINAL TOD



## DUAL PURPOSE OF CANAL

To Bypass Enfield Rapids

To Attract Development by Providing a Power Source for Mill Sites





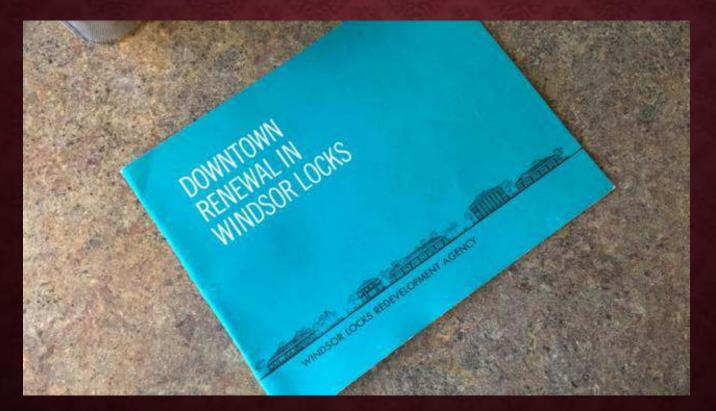
#### 1844 New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Arrives

#### DOWNTOWN WINDSOR LOCKS THRIVES



### FEDERAL DOWNTOWN RENEWAL

Tenants Evicted, Main Street Demolished, Few Tenants Return



### **THIRTY YEARS OF STAGNATION**

#### **Strip Malls Behind Parking**

#### **Auto Oriented Downtown**





#### **RECOVERY PLANNING BEGINS**

Main Street Study 2008 Recommendations TOD Study 2011 – 2012 Recommendations

- Relocate commuter rail station to center of downtown commercial district.
- Develop TOD Land Use Plan.
- Think Regionally.
- Maintain/Enhance Sense of Place.
- Take Advantage of Existing Assets Canal, River, etc.

- Removing Barriers to Redevelopment.
- Analysis of Market Potential.
- Evaluate Market for New Housing Units.
- Development Sequencing.
- Primary intersection reconfiguration.
- Pedestrian and bike friendly initiatives.
- Complete Street Visioning.

#### **RECOVERY PLANNING**

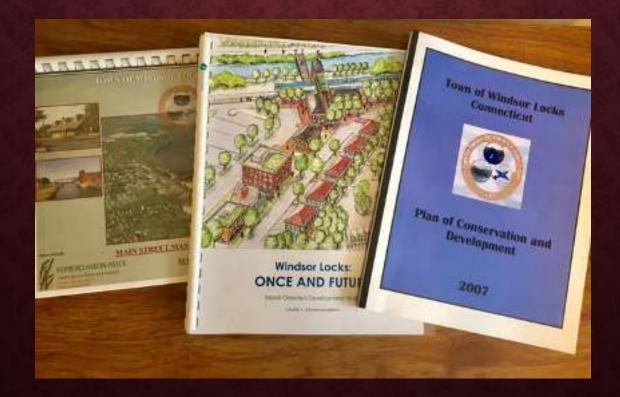
#### Workforce Housing Study

#### Historic Train Station Adaptive Reuse



### PLAN OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

#### Incorporate recommendations of planning and affordable housing studies into Plan of Conservation and Development.



#### **DEVELOPING A RECOVERY TOOLKIT**

- Community Outreach.
- Main Street Overlay Zone.
- Adopt Tax Increment Financing District.
- Conduct Environmental Assessments.
- Historic Train Station Adaptive Reuse Assessment.

### **DEVELOPING RECOVERY TOOLKIT**

#### **Community Outreach**

#### Main Street Overlay Zone

(1) An expression line shall delineate divisions between floors of all buildings, and a comice shall delineate the tops of facades that do not utilize a pitched roof. For retail storefronts, a transom, display window area and bulkhead at the base shall be utilized.

(2) To screen rooftop mechanical equipment, other appurtenances, and flat or built-up roofs, all structures having a footprint of 5,000 square feet or less shall be constructed with a pitched conf. The construction having a footprint greater than 5,000

structed with either a pitched or parapet

membrane-type roofs that are visible are

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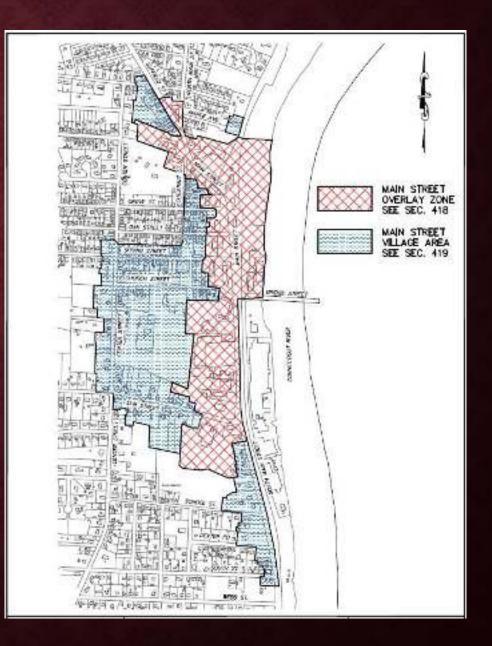


ned vertically.

of the first-floor building wall facing Main Street, measured between two (2) and eight (8) feet is of the site, shall consist of transparent glass that provides visual access into the interior space th of at least from (4) feet.

### TAX INCREMENT FINANCING

- Main Street Overlay Zone Designated as TIF District.
- Signal to Developers Windsor Locks is serious about Main Street Revitalization.
- Assures that revenue growth is reinvested in District.
- Adds ability to attract redevelopers with incentives.



### **RECOVERY TOOLKIT**

#### **Environmental Assessment**

- Brownfield Grant secured to assess catalyst site – Montgomery Mill Property.
- Phase I assessment of likely redevelopment sites using TOD grant.



#### Adaptive Reuse Assessment

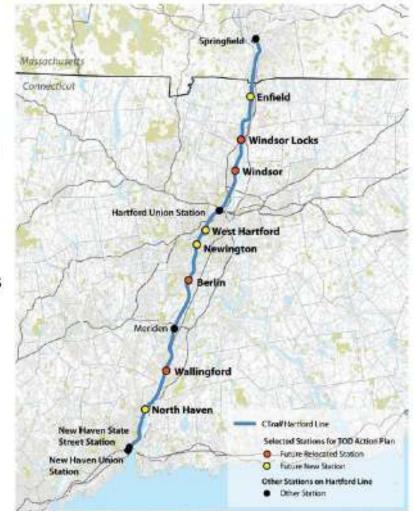
- Historic Railroad Station only remaining building from original Main Street.
- Restoration efforts underway.
- Study suggests several sustainable uses for restored station.



### PLANNING FOR TOD BEGINS TO PAY OFF

#### Hartford Line TOD Action Plan Overview

- Eight (8) Selected Station Areas for TOD Action Plans:
  - Including future new and relocated stations along the Hartford Line
- Other station areas to be addressed through the identification of corridorwide station area typologies



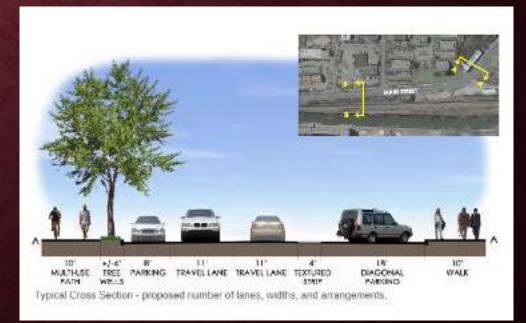
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Montgomery Mill Conversion

160 One and Two Bedroom Apartments

\$3,000,000 LOTCIP Complete Streets Grant





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#### Waterside Village Public Realm



Responsible Growth Grant To Aid Redevelopment of Three Properties Opposite New Station



### TOD GRANT FOR PUBLIC MARKET FEASIBILITY STUDY



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