DATE AND TIME:

MONDAY, JUNE 29, 2015 7:00 - 8:30PM

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MAIN STREET PUBLIC WORKSHOP

TOWN OF SOUTH WINDSOR MAIN STREET PRESERVATION PLANNING STUDY

South Windsor's Main Street is recognized as an impressive historic record of Connecticut River Valley architecture and an intact historic land use pattern that have preserved a charming character that offers a glimpse into a vibrant past. In addition to the historic structures, dating from 1700 to 1857, the overall collection of long narrow lots, agricultural land and a traditional disposition toward the main road are all preserved and offer a unique opportunity to enhance an entire environment of historic significance.

Currently, a portion of the Main Street corridor is included in the East Windsor Hill Historic District, while the State and National Historic registers promote visibility and recognition of the historic resources, they don't offer specific tools for the future enhancement of the district. The Town of South Windsor is undertaking a preservation planning study to identify implementation actions that will better protect and enhance the district in the future. The study will include three areas of focus to enhance the Main Street district:

- Village District Design Standards and Zoning
- Streetscape Concept Master Plan Rendering
- Redevelopment Feasibility Evaluations

The Town of South Windsor Planning Department is guiding this planning study, which is being funded through a Vibrant Communities Initiative Grant from the Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation. The Town hired a professional consultant team, led by the multidisciplinary planning and design firm The Cecil Group, to help carry out this effort with FXM Associates a real estate economist.

The consultant team will seek input from the community to better understand the issues and opportunities of the Main Street study area and to identify a shared community vision to help shape preservation planning strategies. This public outreach will include stakeholder interviews, presentations and discussion at monthly Steering Committee meetings, and three public meetings during key milestones in the planning process:

- Initial Public Meeting May 2015
- Alternative Approaches Public Meeting June 2015
- Final Public Meeting July 2015

This study is expected to be complete by the end of July 2015.

More detailed information about the planning study is available at: www.southwindsor.org/mainstreetstudy For additional information, contact: Michele Lipe, AICP, Director of Planning, (860) 644-2511 ext. 329, michele.lipe@southwindsor.org