

# **Woburn Plan for Progress Housing and Economic Development Forum**

7:00pm, Wednesday, January 14, 2014  
Woburn High School Cafeteria  
88 Montvale Ave., Woburn

## **Schedule of Events**

**7:00 Registration and Light Refreshments**

**7:05 Welcome- Mayor Galvin**

**7:10 Introduction and Agenda- Sam Cleaves, MAPC**

**7:15 Housing and Economic Development Context –Karina Milchman and  
Amanda Chisholm, MAPC**

**7:50 Housing and Economic Development Table Discussions**

### **1. Introductions around the Table**

#### **2. Housing Discussion (20 minutes)**

- a. Based on what you've heard tonight, what do you think Woburn's housing goals should be?
- b. What are the barriers to achieving these goals?
- c. What are some local opportunities the City can take advantage of to help achieve these goals?

#### **3. Economic Development Discussion (20 minutes)**

- d. Review Goals and Themes for Economic Development from Woburn Vision 2020
- e. Do these goals and themes still make sense? Should anything be changed or added to the list?
- f. What do you think Woburn's competitive advantages are in terms of attracting economic development (i.e. what would bring a company or a business to Woburn)?
- g. What do you think are barriers to economic development in Woburn?



**4. Housing and Economic Development Opportunities (20 minutes)**

- a. Review Priority Development Area (PDA sites). Go over names, locations, and type of use identified.
- b. Other ideas regarding the PDAs? Comments on where you think the strongest opportunities are?
- c. Any other sites that would be appropriate for either housing or commercial development?

**5. Recap both the housing and economic development discussion; identify top themes (5 minutes)**

**8:55 Table Discussions Report Out**

One person from each group will summarize and report on their group's conversation for the rest of the room to hear. The purpose of this is to get the flavor of the various conversations happening around the room – where were there similarities and differences amongst the groups?

**9:05 Next Step: March 25 Transportation, Land Use and Hazard Mitigation Forum—please join us!**

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**Before You Leave, Tell Us More!**

Did tonight's conversation yield any new insights? Jog your memory for things you'd like to add to the discussion? Fill out a Comment Card if you would like to add additional written information.

See the Plan for Progress webpage and take our survey at [www.mapc.org/woburnplanforprogress](http://www.mapc.org/woburnplanforprogress).

