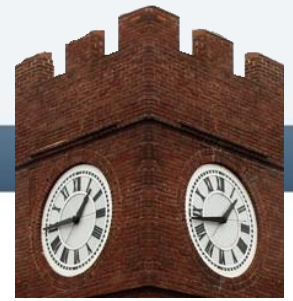




Community Development Department Overview

Presented by Mark Richardson, Director
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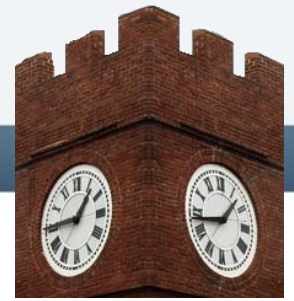
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- **Strategic Planning**

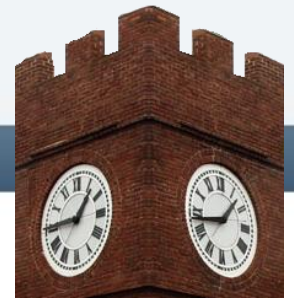
- Major goals from our most recent staff retreat
 - Look for new zoning software – replaced in 2012
 - Make the LDC more user friendly – several amendments are in the works
 - Add staff person – City Planner hired in August
 - Records management – working toward electronic
 - Cross training – staffing changes create opportunities
- The department is responsible for several Strategic Plan goals



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- **Strategic Planning**

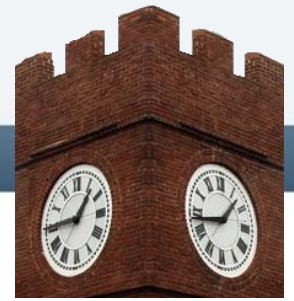
- The department will lead the following Strategic Plan goals:
 - 1.1.2 Reactive the planning for the Downtown Phase II Redevelopment
 - 1.3.1 Assess the current growth management policies and land development code in light of promoting the housing mix
 - 2.2.2 Develop compatible land development objectives with neighboring communities to enhance Hudson's commercial and industrial base
 - 2.3.1 Ensure Hudson's LDC aligns with today's business needs, thus increasing new business development in Hudson
- The department will also lead the Comprehensive Plan update



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- **Budget Information**

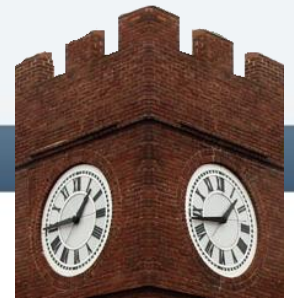
- In preparation for budget discussions, meetings are held with staff, the CM, ACM and the Finance Director
- The General Fund is our source of revenue
- The major direct budget impacts are staff expenses and the collection of fees. Indirectly the department encourages good development and protects property values and thus the resulting taxes
- Cost pressures have come from pressure on the general fund due in large part to reductions in the income tax



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- **Budget Information**

- Department-specific unfunded projects or initiatives
 - Examine department organization and staff duties
 - Resume updates to the LDC
 - Purge paper files; electronic record keeping
- In the face of staff reductions we have cross trained and retained consultants to maintain department services



Questions?



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