

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

VILLAGE OF HARRISON

From:

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Meeting Date:

May 20, 2025

Title:

Comprehensive Plan Update Discussion with the Village Board Trustees and the Plan Commission Members

Item for Discussion:

SRF Consulting will be attending the planning session.

This meeting will review and discuss the current Preferred Future Land Use Map (Draft #4) and proposed changes based on public feedback. Comments from the public are included in the draft text of the plan.

As part of the ongoing Comprehensive Plan update, the Village of Harrison is updating its Preferred Future Land Use Map. Earlier draft maps were shared with the public in multiple formats to gather valuable public feedback and engage stakeholders in the planning process.

The draft map was shared was on the Village of Harrison website. A link to the proposed land use framework, interactive online map, and a comment form were all provided. The form was open for one month from March 13th to April 14th, 2025.

It was also displayed at an in-person Land Use Open House held on March 20th, 2025 from 6 pm – 8 pm at the Harrison Village Hall. The Preferred Future Land Use Maps and land use framework were both displayed, and Village and consultant staff were available to answer questions. The online interactive map was also available to provide attendees a closer look at individual properties if desired. In total, there were 74 recorded attendees, excluding Village and consultant staff, at the in-person open house.

Both opportunities for public comment were advertised on the Village of Harrison website, Village of Harrison social media pages, and on postcards mailed to every household in the Village. In total, 106 responses were received via online and paper comment forms.

Open House Map Results:

During the open house, participants had the opportunity to annotate large, physical versions of the draft Preferred Future Land Use Map. Participants also had the opportunity to discuss their concerns with staff during the open house. A summary of the written and verbal comments is provided below:

- Support for additional parks, recreation areas, and conservation/open space—particularly in the proposed medium density residential area and near the proposed High Cliff Connector Trail.
- Concern about transportation infrastructure and safety, especially in light of continued development.

- Preference for low-density residential development over medium density in some areas.
- Questions regarding the expansion of sewer services and the intent of proposed transitional residential zones.
- Concerns about the proximity of the proposed mixed-use and commercial land uses along County Highway N to residential developments, particularly regarding potential noise or activity during early morning or late evening hours

Tentatively, the plan will have a public hearing, as required by state statute, and will either be adopted in July or August 2025.

The Village Board is encouraged to provide comments on the text of the plan to the Village staff.

Attachments:

- Draft 4 – Future Land Use Map
- Draft 2025 Harrison Comp Plan