

CONNEAUT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE 2017

Meeting #1

May 2, 2017

(revised May 22, 2017)

WELCOME

Round Table Introductions

- Name
- Affiliation
- How long you have lived/done business in Conneaut?

OVERVIEW OF PLANNING PROCESS

WHAT IS A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN?

Basic, traditional definition:



Set of policy statements (& maps) to guide future land use and development

Supported by analytic tables, maps, narrative

Covers the entire land area of the jurisdiction

Covers all elements related to physical development

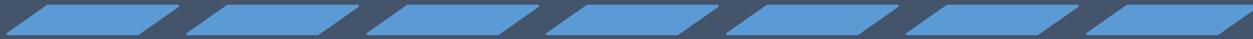
Has a long-range outlook (10 years plus)

Is general, rather than overly specific

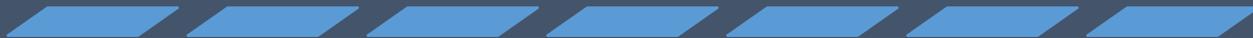
Guiding document, not regulatory

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

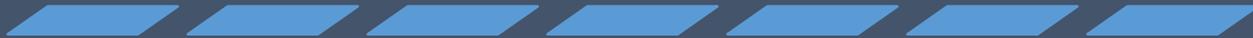
Citizen Advisory Committee



Public Forums



Focus Groups



PLANNING PROCESS STEPS

Understand conditions/trends/issues

Aspirations - Visioning

Describe aspirations - Policies

Identify how to get there – action steps

UNDERSTANDING CONDITIONS/TRENDS/ISSUES

Identify Issues To Focus On:



Economic
Development



Lakefront/Harbor
Development



Development
along Rt 7



Downtown



Open Space
Preservation/
Creek Access



Tourism

ARTICULATE ASPIRATIONS - ENVISIONING THE FUTURE

Examples:

- Preserve the natural environment and provide public access to Conneaut Creek and Turkey Creek
- Enhance/increase recreational opportunities
- Enhance the City's tax base

OR

- Development shall be carefully balanced with the preservation of natural resources
- Housing opportunities shall be expanded, with an emphasis on affordability, quality and revitalization

SMART GROWTH PRINCIPLES

Smart Growth is the Preservation of:

- Natural Resources
- Financial Resources – Income and Expenses
- The Built Environment
 - Buildings
 - Infrastructure

DESCRIBE ASPIRATIONS - POLICIES

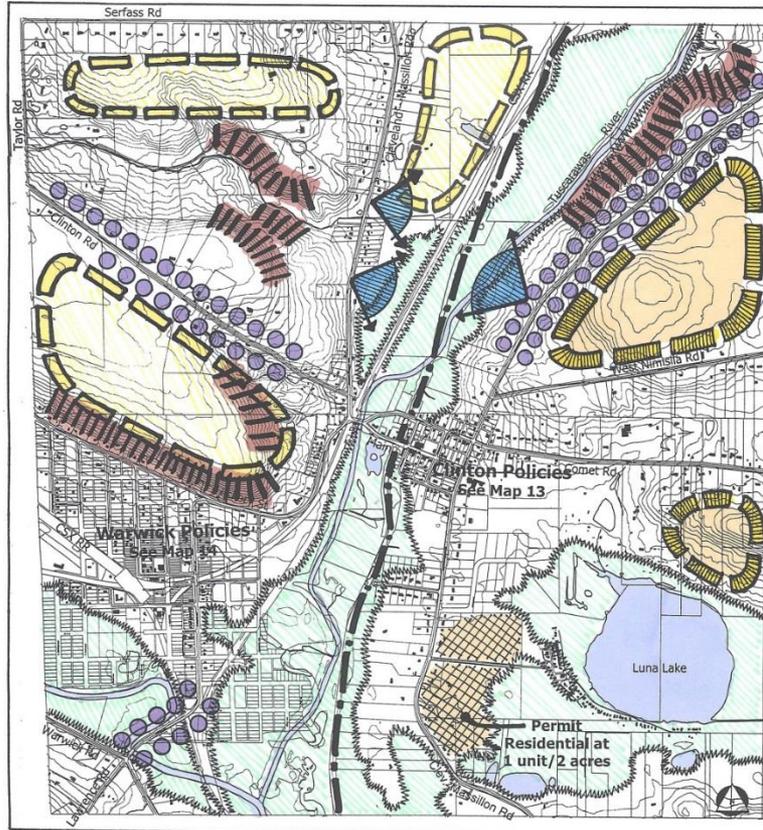
Thru Text/Narratives

- Level/type of economic development
- Housing choices (if any)
- Target improvements
- What, where and how
- What part is within your capacity

DESCRIBE ASPIRATIONS

Thru Maps

- Narratives
- Maps
- Photos
- Illustrations



General Development Policies Village-Wide

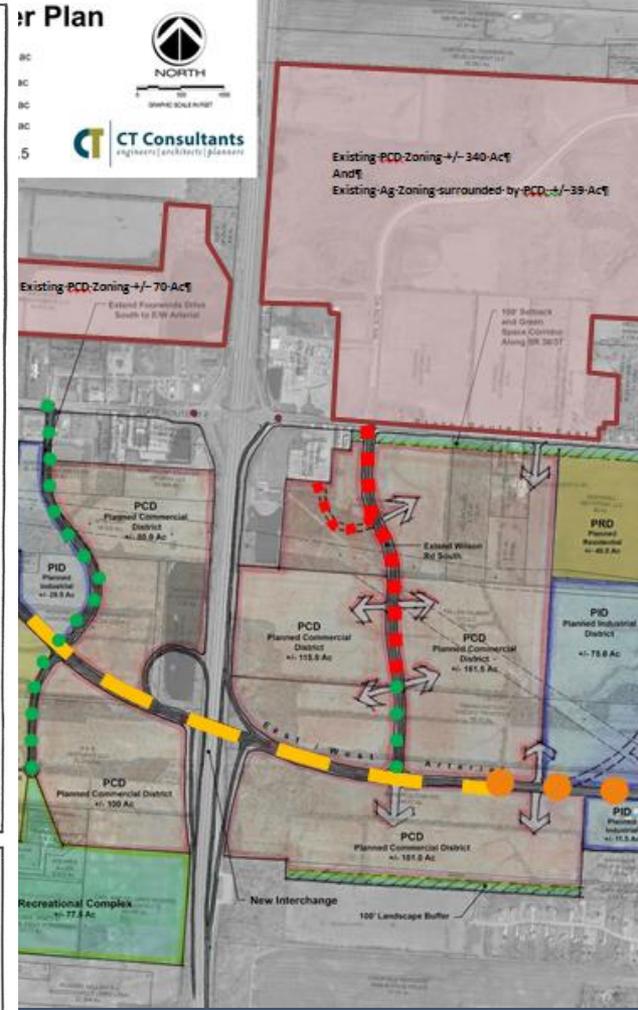
- Protect Visual Quality of Scenic Corridors
- Protect Floodplain/Wetlands
- Protect Steep Slopes
- Protect Scenic Views
- Maximize Potential of Historic Canal/ Towpath
- Promote Conservation Development
 - allow flexible building arrangements
 - require open space to be preserved
- allow density of one unit per 5 acres
- allow density of one unit per 2 acres

Village of Clinton COMPREHENSIVE PLAN



Map 12

er Plan



DESCRIBE ASPIRATIONS

Thru Photos/Illustrations



Giant Eagle parking lot

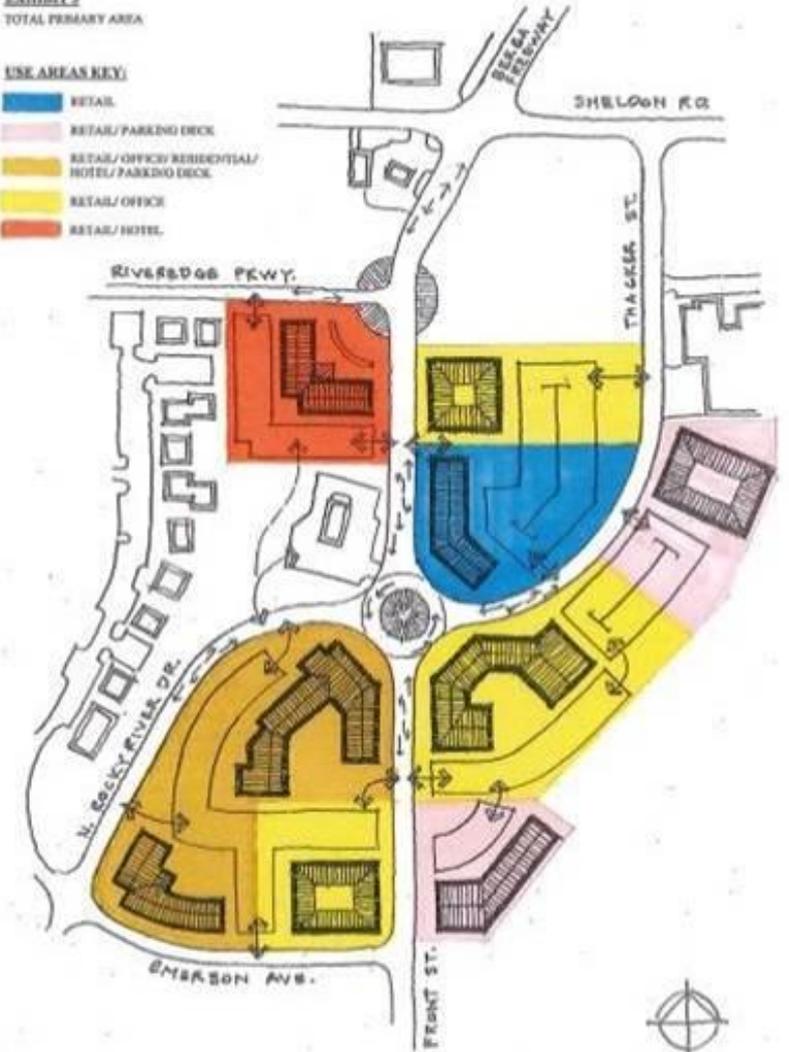


Proposed stream daylighting and North Royalton city park

EXHIBIT 2
TOTAL PRIMARY AREA

USE AREAS KEY:

- RETAIL
- RETAIL/PARKING DECK
- RETAIL/OFFICE/RESIDENTIAL/
HOTEL/PARKING DECK
- RETAIL/OFFICE
- RETAIL/HOTEL



OUTLINE HOW TO GET THERE

Describe the key action steps



Establish cost estimates & priorities



Identify partners & who will lead



Estimate a time frame

HOW IS THE PLAN IMPLEMENTED?

- **REGULATIONS** for development and use of land:
 - Zoning Ordinance
 - Subdivision Regulations
 - Form-based codes and other alternative regulations
- **MORE DETAILED PLANNING:**
 - Small area or neighborhood plans
 - Infrastructure plans



HOW IS THE PLAN IMPLEMENTED?

■ Identifying Public Construction Projects

- Roads and highway improvements
- Land purchase
- Parks development



HOW IS THE PLAN IMPLEMENTED?

■ Financial programs

- Annual budget
- Grants
- Capital improvements plan

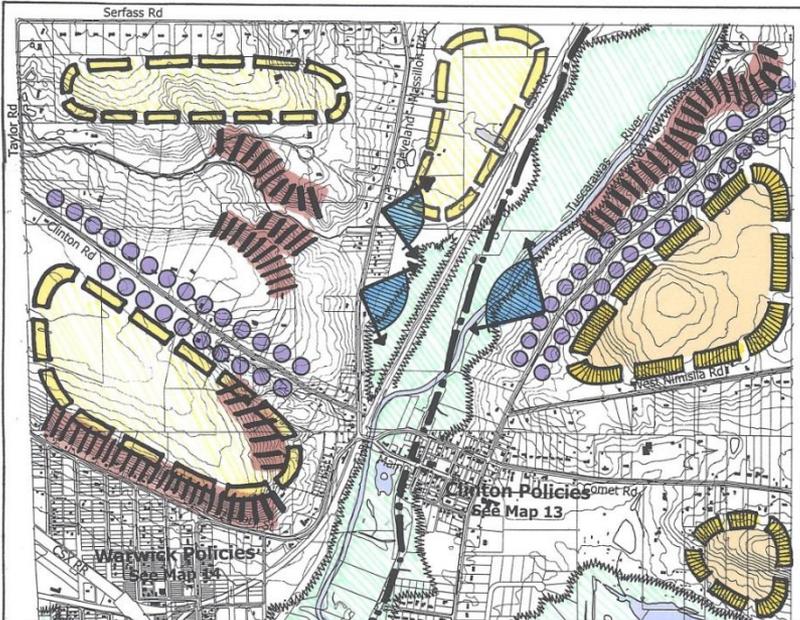
■ Intergovernmental coordination programs

- Regional
- City-County
- Multi-City



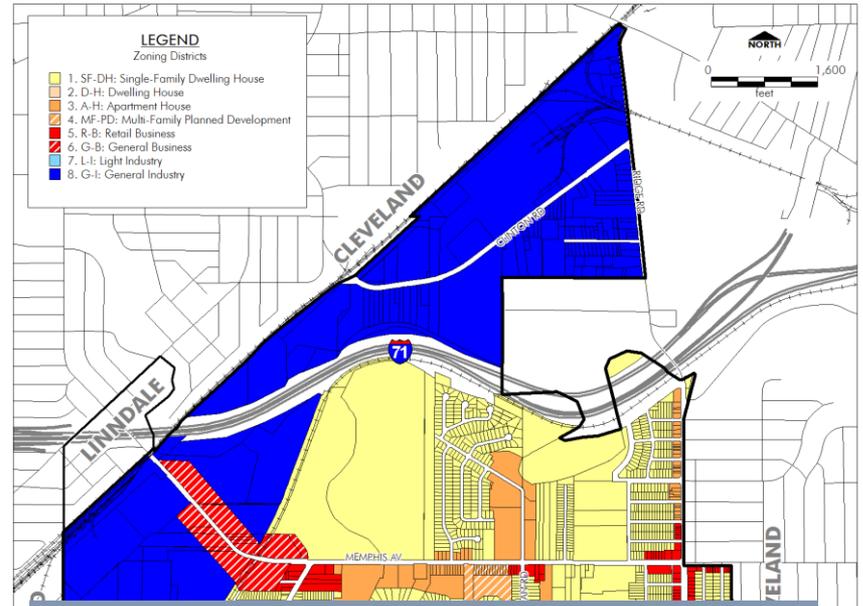
A screenshot of the website for the Shared Services/Merger Study. The website has a blue header with the title "SHARED SERVICES/MERGER STUDY" and the subtitle "Moreland Hills, Orange Village, Pepper Pike and Woodbury". Below the header is a navigation menu with links for HOME, ABOUT THE STUDY, ABOUT THE COMMUNITIES, DOCUMENTS, GALLERY, NEWS, FEEDBACK, RESOURCES, and FAQ. The main content area features a grid of four images showing various scenes from the study area. Below the images is a section titled "The Study" with a paragraph of text. To the right of the text is a section titled "UPCOMING EVENTS" with a calendar for June 2011. The calendar shows dates from 1 to 30, with some dates highlighted in green. At the bottom of the website is a footer with logos for the four communities: Moreland Hills, Orange Village, Pepper Pike, and Woodbury, along with the logo for the Center for Governmental Research (CGR).

PLANNING VS. ZONING



Comp Plan

- Ongoing activity
- Anticipates change
- Serves as a guide



Zoning Code/Map

- Next Step after Plan
- Parcel Specific
- Law - Mandatory compliance



CONNEAUT'S ASSETS

Round Table

- What do you love about Conneaut?
- What are the City's strengths?

ADVISORY COMMITTEE: ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DO....

- Understand, **realistically**, needs and opportunities vs. wants
- Understand distinctions between **perceived** and **real** impacts
- Recognize **multiple possibilities** for some property

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DO....

- Recognize: reasonableness of alternative development choices **...even if not your choice**
- **Accept change** - when reasonable and meeting needs
- Recognize the **private sector as partners**

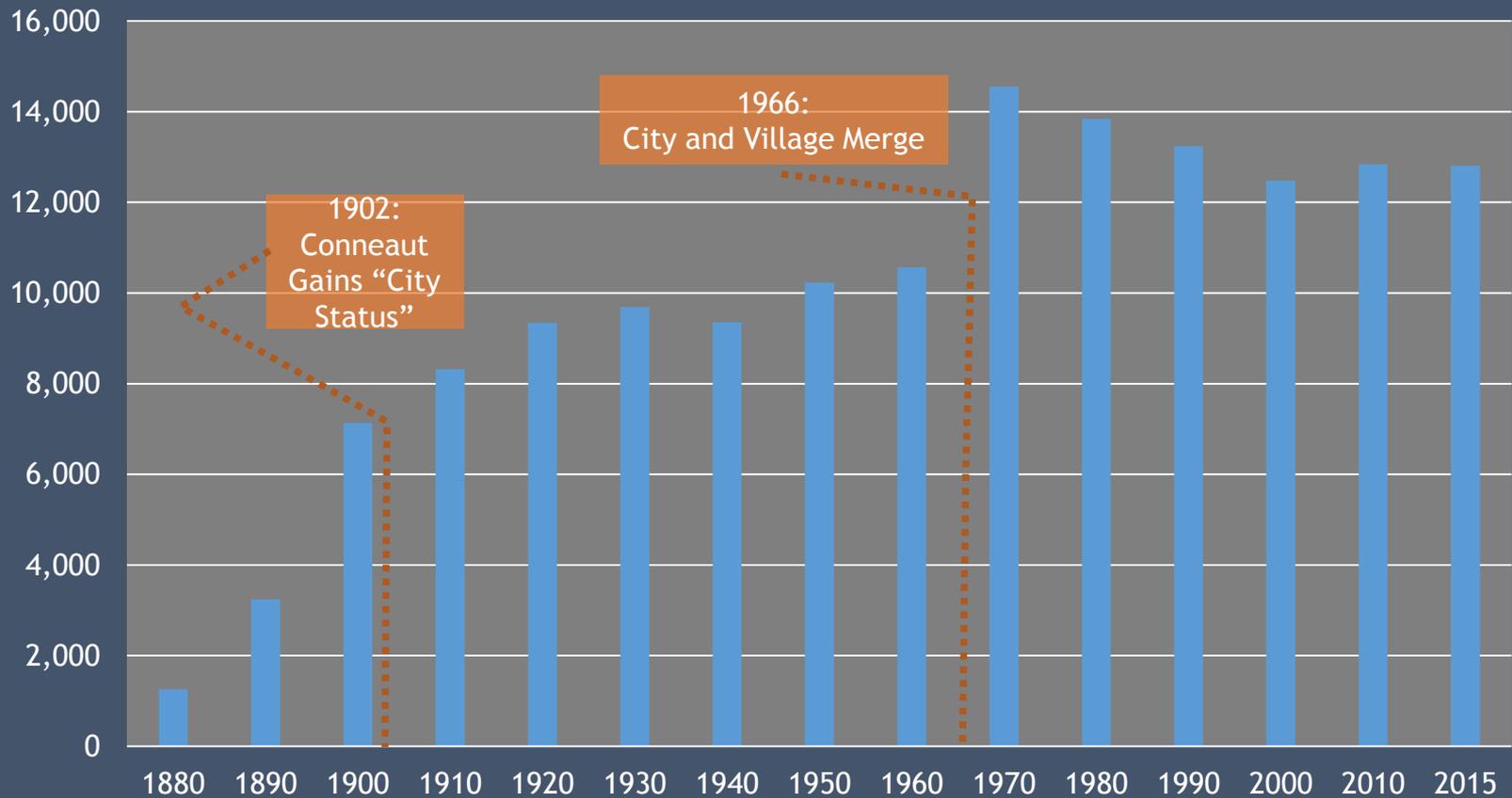
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Dig deep when describing Aspirations and developing Policies:

- Go beyond the obvious
- Evaluate the choices/understand the possibilities
- Describe the outcomes

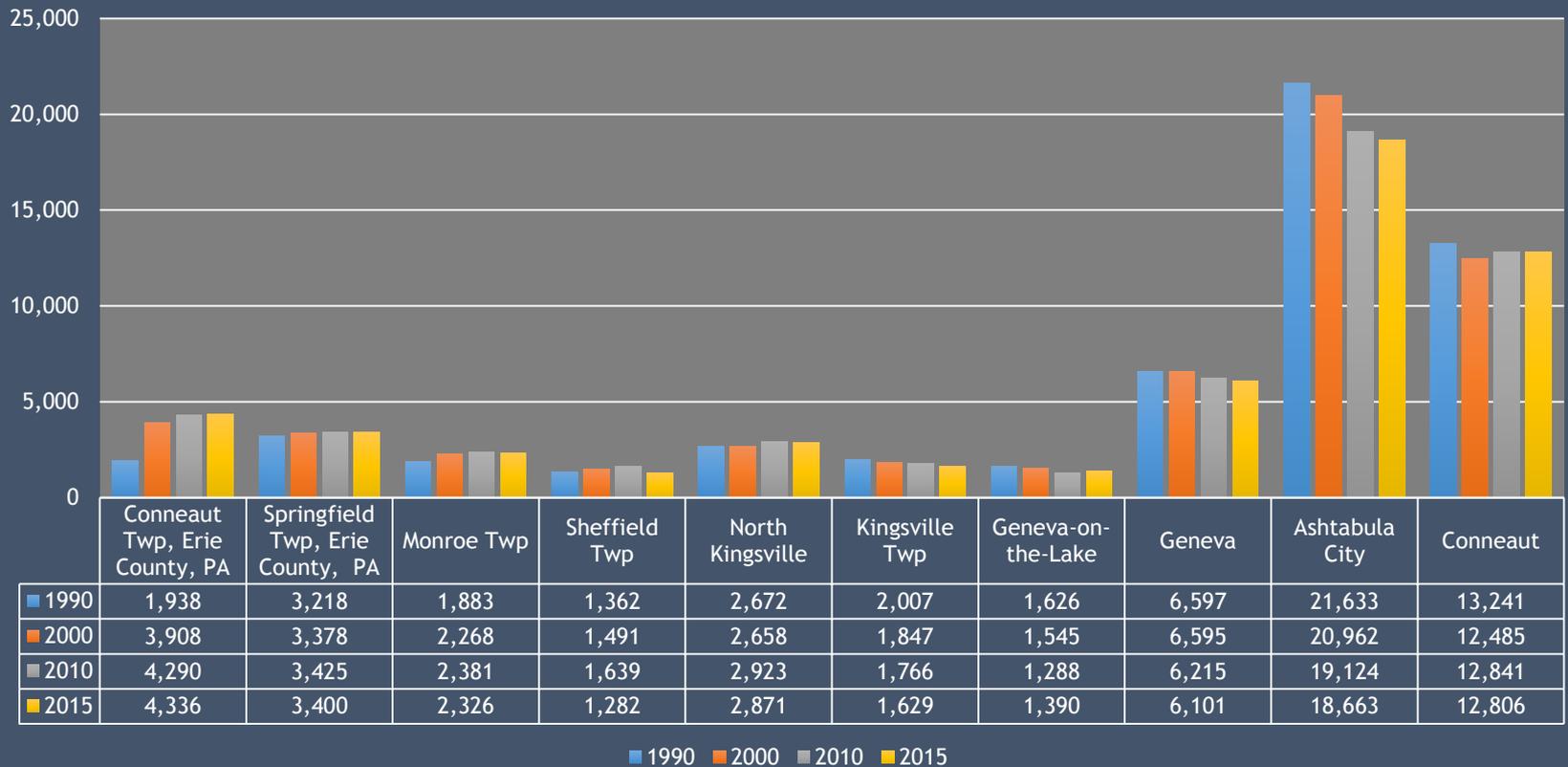
BACKGROUND

CONNEAUT POPULATION SINCE 1880



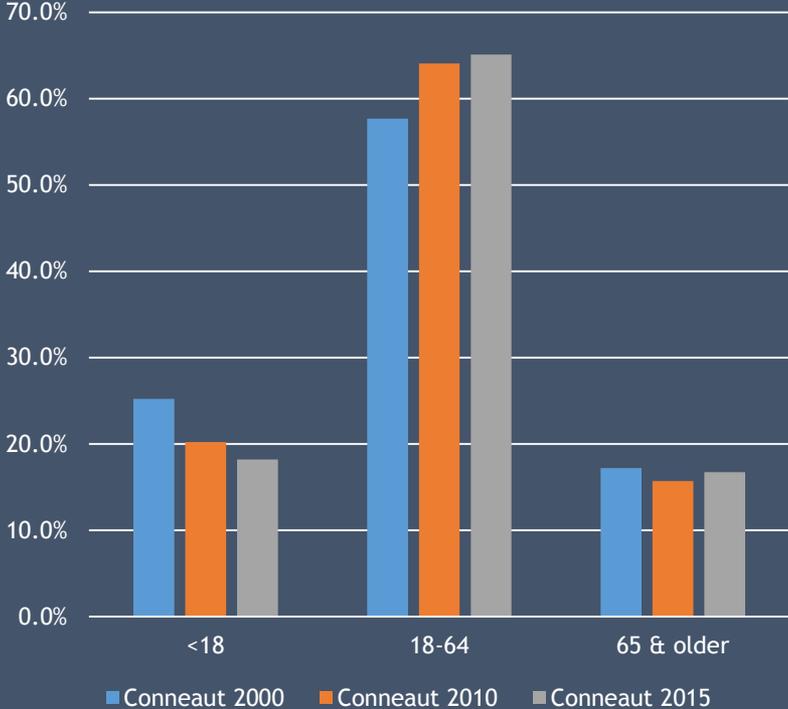
POPULATION CONNEAUT AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES

Total Population

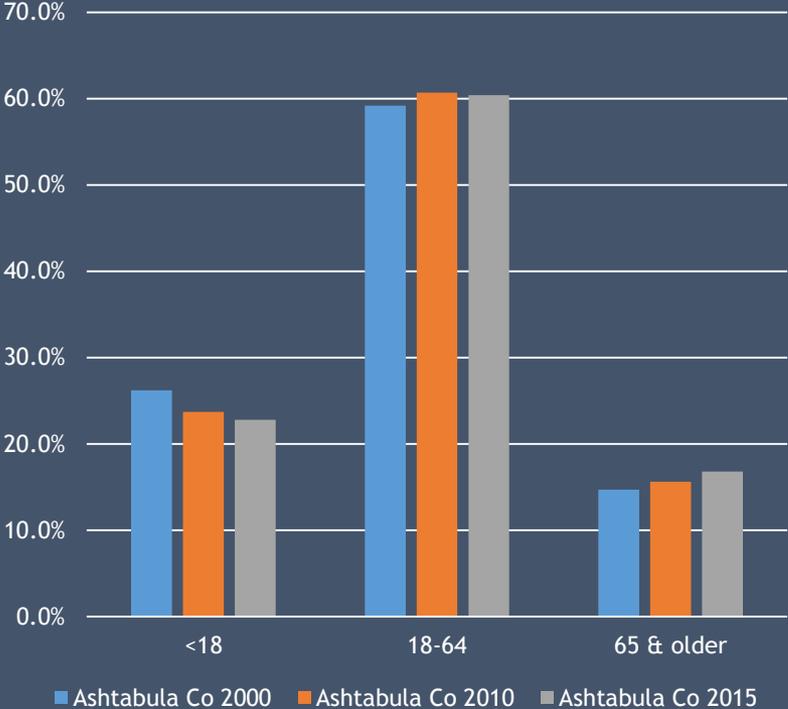


AGE CHARACTERISTICS CONNEAUT & ASHTABULA COUNTY

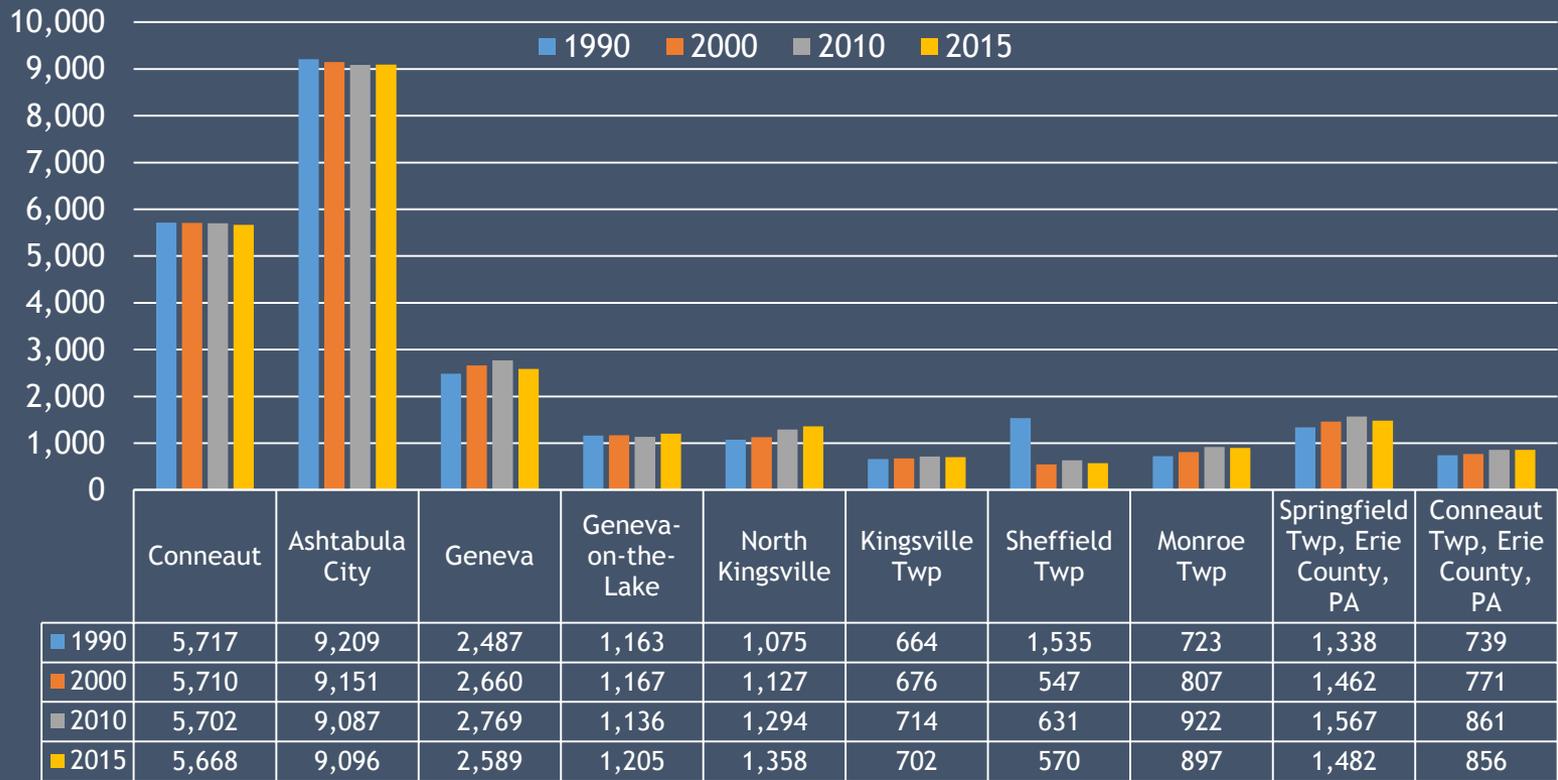
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Ashtabula County

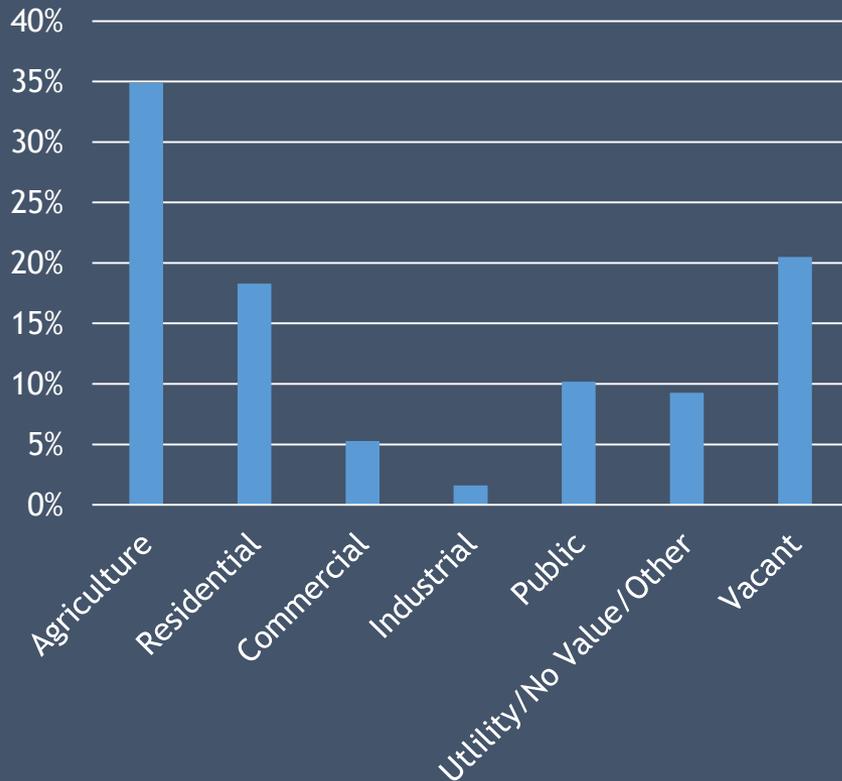


HOUSING TRENDS, CONNEAUT & SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES

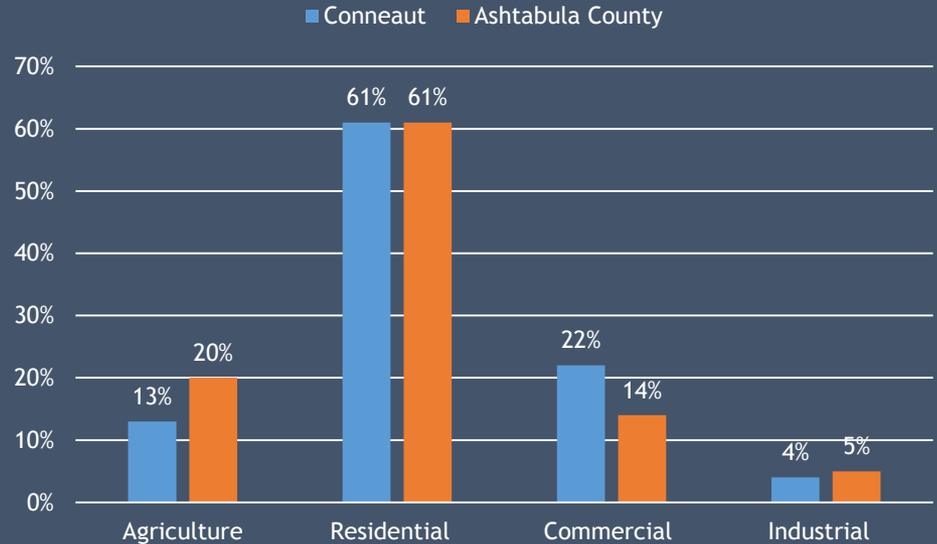


LAND USE AND VALUATION

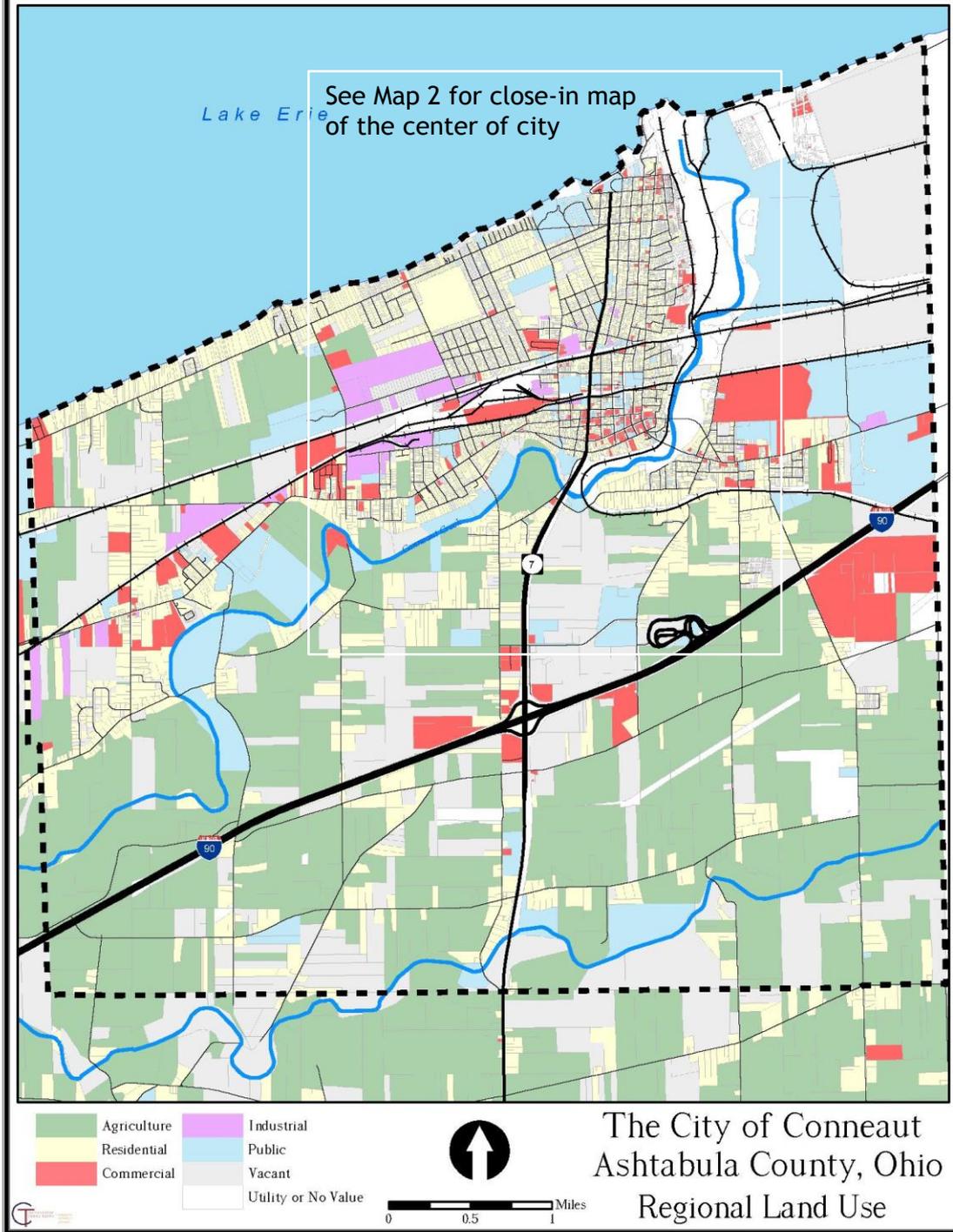
Land Use



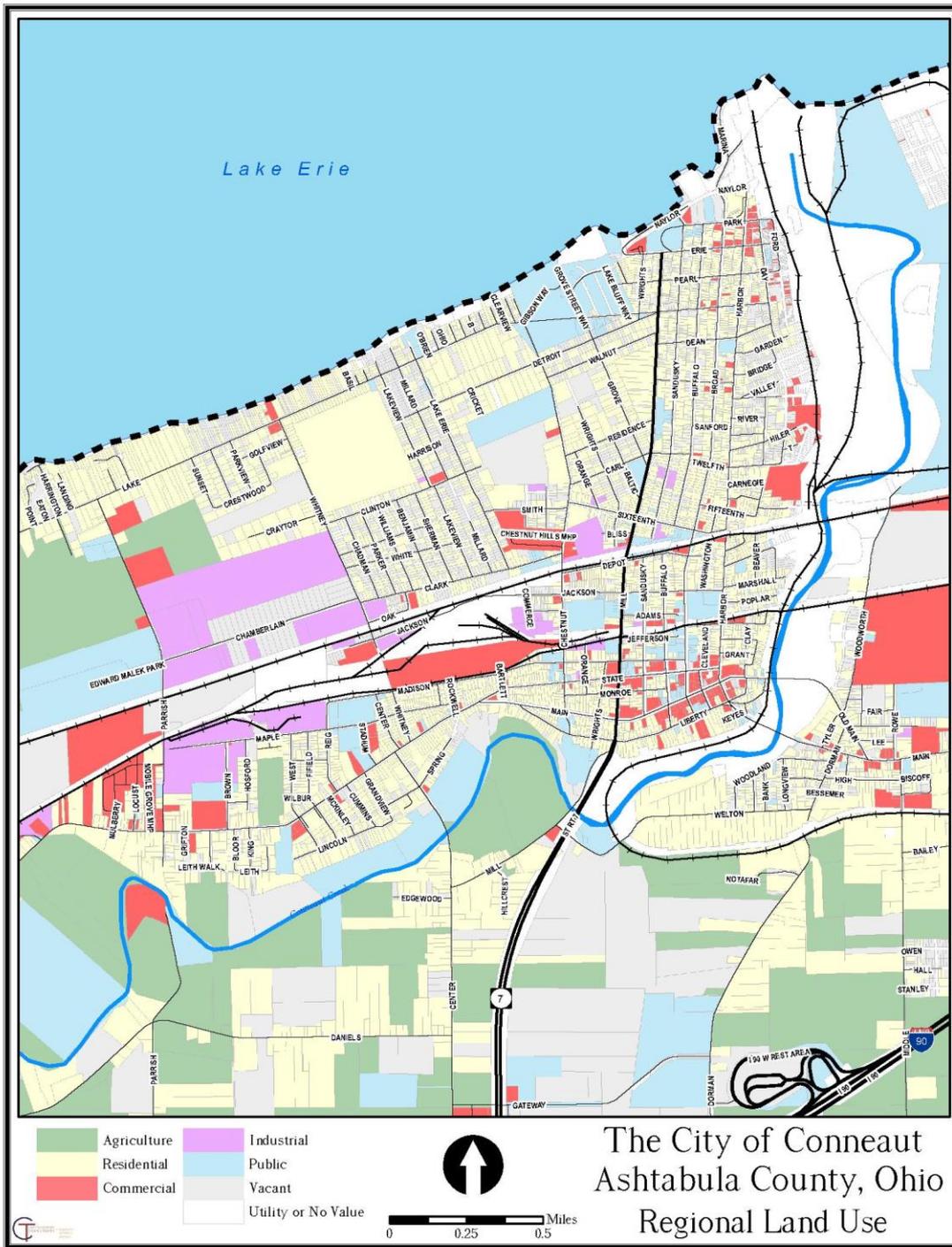
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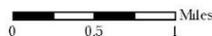
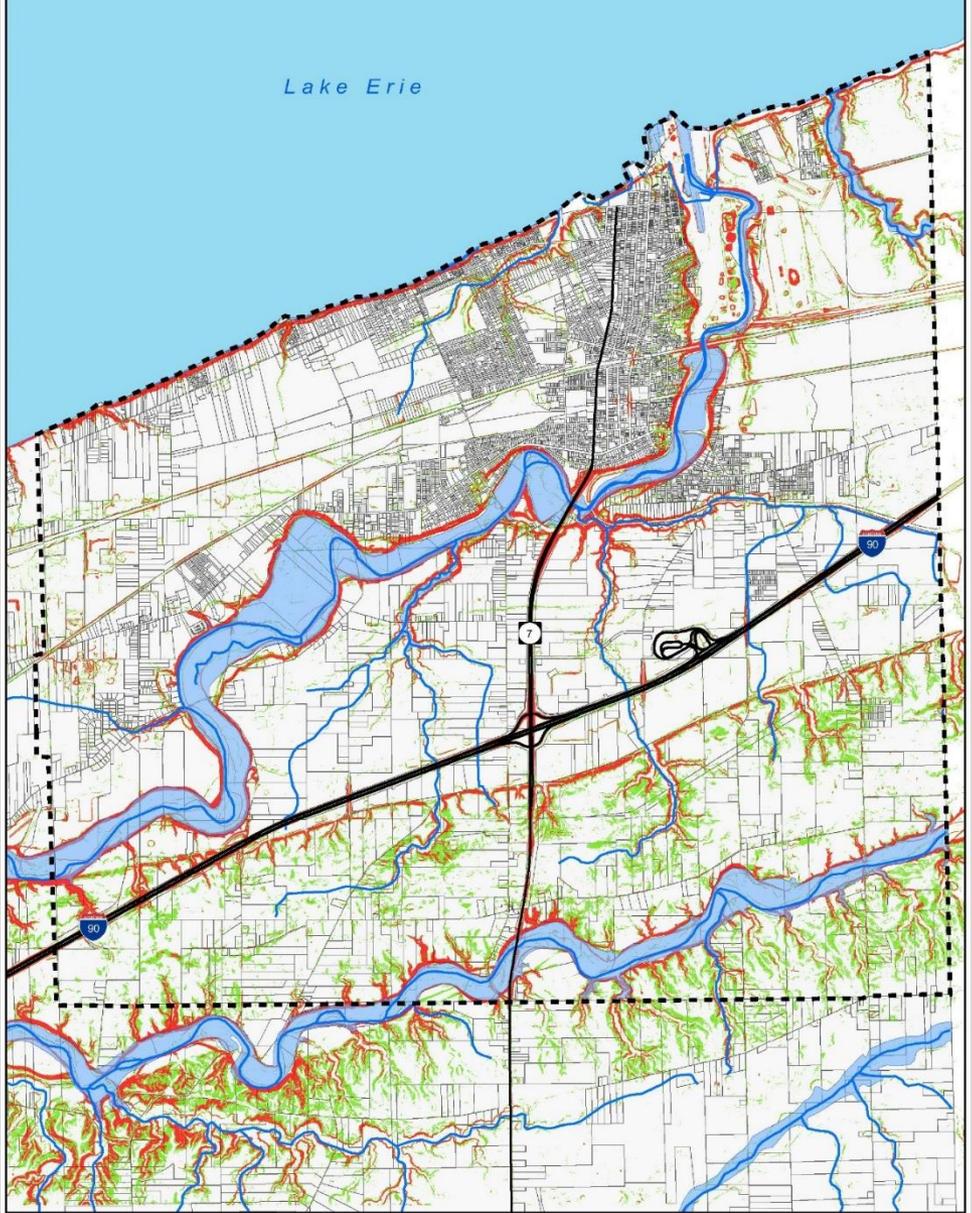
Map 1. Land Use Citywide



Map 2. Land Use Center of City



Map 3. Natural Features

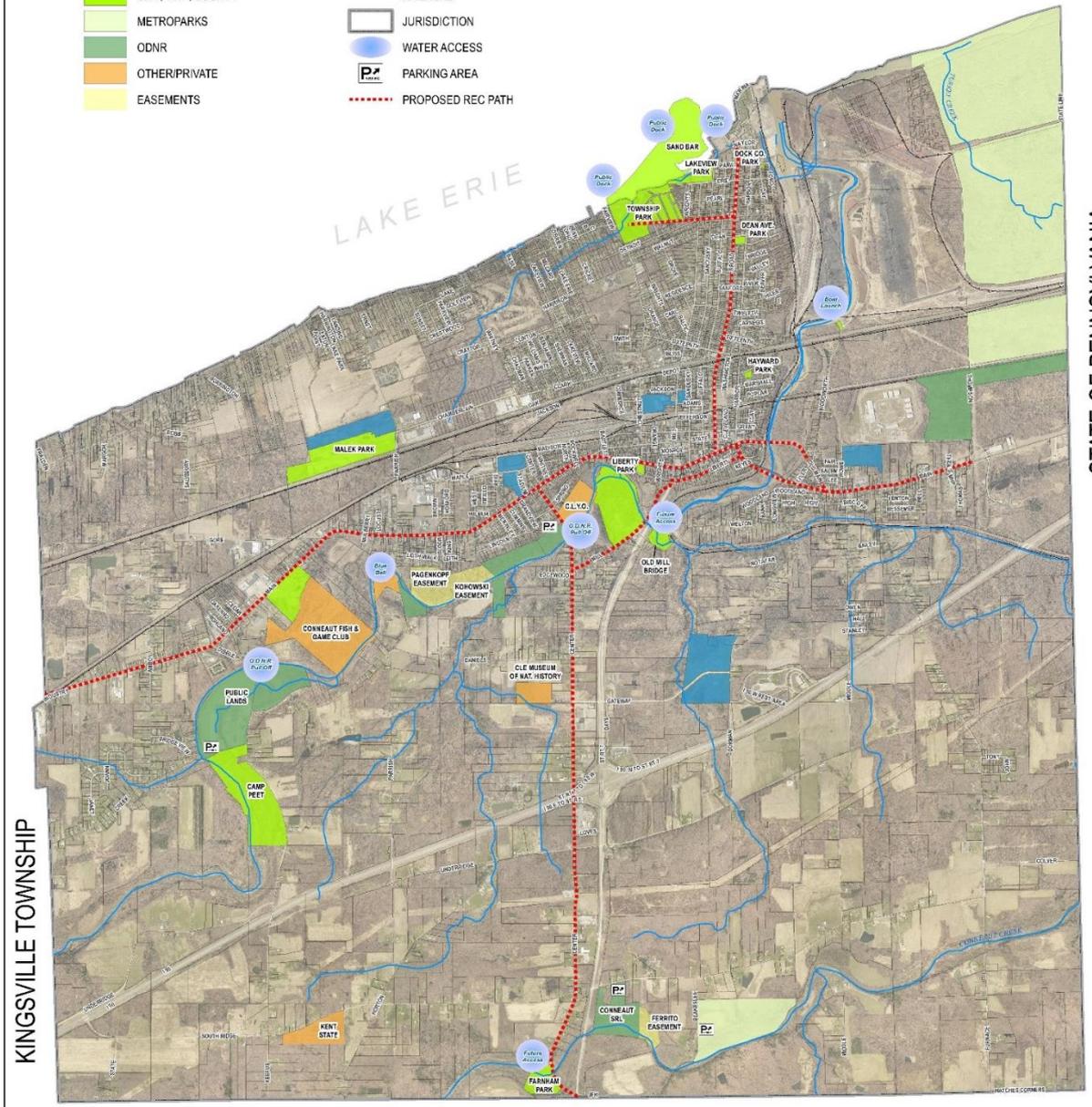


The City of Conneaut
Ashtabula County, Ohio
Environmentally Sensitive
Areas



Map 4. Park Space and Recreational Use

- BOARD OF EDUCATION; SCHOOLS
- CITY; TWP; COUNTY
- METROPARKS
- ODNR
- OTHER/PRIVATE
- EASEMENTS
- STREAMS
- RAILROAD
- JURISDICTION
- WATER ACCESS
- P PARKING AREA
- PROPOSED REC PATH

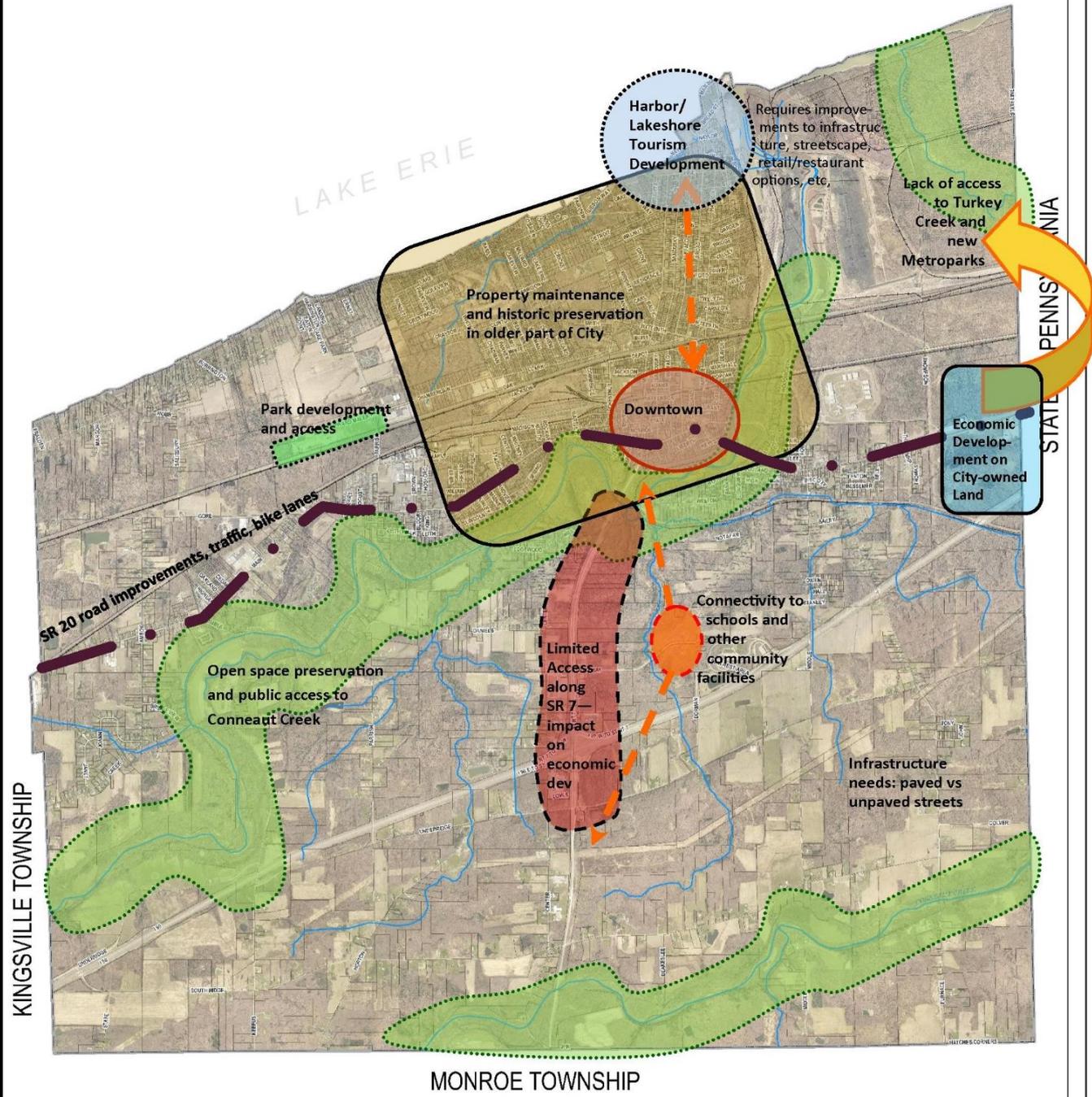


KINGSVILLE TOWNSHIP

MONROE TOWNSHIP

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

Map 5. Preliminary Issues



EXPANSION ON LIST OF ISSUES

Round Table

- What do you think are the most important land use/development issues to be addressed in the Comprehensive Plan Update?

NEXT STEPS

Meeting	Topic	Month
Kick-off Meeting #1		May 2
Advisory Committee Meeting #2	Existing Conditions, Vision	June 6
Public Forum #1	Issues, Vision	June
Advisory Committee Meeting #3	Policies and Strategies	July
Focus Group Sessions	Policies and Strategies	August
Advisory Committee Meeting #4	Policies and Strategies	September
Advisory Committee Meeting #5	Implementation Steps	October
Advisory Committee Meeting #6	Draft Plan, Priority Action Steps	November
Public Forum #2	Draft Plan, Priority Action Steps	November
Advisory Committee Meeting #7	Finalize Draft Plan	December

QUESTIONS