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SECTION 1-Prologue					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement more stringent building/energy codes • Use energy efficient municipal automobiles • Create grants/loans for alternate energy sources 			2	Common Council	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand urban forest with increased tree planting • Promote local agriculture 			3	Urban Forestry Commission Conservation Commission	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contain growth to existing infrastructure, reduce number of vehicle miles traveled, preserve open space, develop transfer of development rights program 			1	Planning & Zoning	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage LEED standards including using solar orientation, wind direction, topography, and established vegetation to lower energy usage • Create grants/tax abatements for LEED certification 			2	Planning & Zoning Common Council	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Require a carbon footprint analysis for large projects and strive for reductions 			3	Planning & Zoning	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Control outdoor street lighting and reduce wattage 		2		Planning & Zoning Common Council	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage a more concentrated mix of land uses adjacent to transit/bike facilities 		2		Planning & Zoning	
Alternate Modes of Transportation					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish a permanent committee on biking Promote alternate modes of transportation such as busses and bicycles 		2		Middletown Area Transit Common Council Bike Committee	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add bike paths and bike lanes Add more bike parking Have promotional events for biking Have training and education for bicyclists 		2		Bike Committee Common Council Downtown Business District	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Add traffic calming measures Create intersection modifications to promote biking Enforce traffic laws to increase bike safety 		2		Public Works Police Traffic Division Conservation Commission	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expand the city's sidewalk network Make the downtown area more pedestrian and bicycle friendly 		2		Public Works Common Council	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amend the Zoning Regulations to require sidewalks, bike lanes, and bike paths where needed 		1		Planning & Zoning	
Chapter 6 – Managing Future Residential Growth					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage development in higher density zones which at the same time preserves more land as open space 		1		Planning & Zoning	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not authorize any zone change which increases the density beyond what is currently allowed; unless associated with a transfer of development rights 		1		Planning & Zoning	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design and construct a multi use trail system which links 80 % of all residential units to shopping areas and the downtown core. 		3		Dept. of PCD Public Works	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not allow the expansion of the currently mandated Department of Environment Protection sewer service area Implement a transfer of development rights program to protect rural character 		1		Planning & Zoning Water / Sewer	

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Chapter 7- Protecting Natural Resources and Preserving Rural Character					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve open spaces with signage, trails and parking. • Promote open space areas • Maintain open space areas • The improvement, promotion and maintenance of the existing open spaces is a top priority 		2		Conservation Commission Parks & Rec. Dept.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New open space acquisition efforts should focus on the prime natural resources which are identified in the 1990 Plan of Conservation and Development 		3		Conservation Commission	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Begin dialogue with local farmers and develop a comprehensive farmland preservation strategy 		1		Conservation Commission Dept of PCD	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus on acquiring development rights to preserve working farms. 		3		Conservation Commission Common Council	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall 2007 referendum authorizing the issuance of bonds for farmland preservation 		1		Conservation Commission Common Council	X
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopt rural road standards and rural subdivision regulations 		2		Planning & Zoning Public Works	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish two sets of development regulations - suburban style subdivision regulations and new rural subdivision regulation 		2		Planning & Zoning	
Protecting Water Quality					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Protect water sources using best management practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bio-filters Grass swales Detention ponds 		1		IWWA Public Works	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve filtration and encourage sheet flow by reducing impervious surfaces 		1		IWWA Public Works	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New drainage should manage storm water quality Existing drainage systems should be regularly maintained 		1		IWWA Public Works	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enforce existing regulations and implement NPDES storm water management plan 		1		IWWA	

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Chapter 8 - Addressing the Urban Dilemma						
<i>Baer Street and Dunham Street Neighborhood-</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain current zoning; Let market control Any future development will abandon Baer and Dunham Streets and incorporate the entire area into the existing Stop and Shop Plaza. 		3		Planning & Zoning Public Works Dept. Common Council		p. 36
<i>Hillside Ave / East Main</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus efforts on code enforcement and wherever possible residential rehabilitation 		2		Building, Health, Planning & Zoning, Fire Codes and Police Depts.		
<i>Main Street Extension: East Main Street Neighborhood-</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the short-term focus on the blighted structures ordinance to deal with the vacant and poorly maintained commercial properties. Law and code enforcement will also be essential to maintain stability in this area until redevelopment moves forward 		2		Building, Health, Planning & Zoning, Fire Codes and Police Depts.		
<i>Grand & Liberty Neighborhood-</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce concentration of supportive housing, sober houses and other types of group homes 		1		Common Council Board of Health Legislative Delegation		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Restrict the down payment and closing cost assistance program to target specific neighborhoods. Encourage by providing additional assistance to those buying multi-family dwellings and converting them to single family homes or owner occupied two family homes. 		1		ARC / CAC Common Council	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Restrict the residential rehabilitation program to homeowners in target neighborhoods. More favorable terms should be offered to homeowners willing to rehab multi-family dwellings to single family homes or owner occupied two family homes. 		1		ARC / CAC Common Council	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate methods which will make the Grand & Liberty neighborhood less attractive to people simply looking to get over the Arigoni Bridge. The use of one-way streets, traffic calming, and street closures should be seriously considered. 		3		Police Traffic Division Dept. of Public Works	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish ordinance which requires annual licensing and inspection of units, which are not located in owner occupied buildings. The ordinance should also require a re-inspection and new certificate of occupancy prior to any sale. 		1		Board of Health Housing Code Common Council	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lobby city's legislative delegation recognize and address the number of support services and group homes in towns such as Middletown. Provide safeguards to avoid an over concentration of facilities in any one neighborhood/city. 	1	Mayor Common Council Legislative Delegates	
Chapter 9 - Promoting Commercial and Industrial Development			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pursue and aggressive and well-funded economic development program- ensure an easy and business friendly permit approval process. Continue to use revenue from Remington Rand to support economic development through the Economic Development Fund. If Remington Rand is sold a substantial portion of the proceeds should be directed to the Economic Development Fund. 	3	Economic Development Committee Common Council	
<i>Interstate Trade (IT) Zone: I-91 / Industrial Park Road</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Devise the optimal plan for the Aetna property's reuse. The commission's long standing policy not to allow single use retail in the IT zone should remain. 	3	Economic Development Committee Planning & Zoning	

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<p><i>IM Zone</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construct a bridge over the Mattabasset River to access the site. Zoning should be modified to encourage more realistic mixed use, transit oriented development scenarios. 		3		Private Sector Planning & Zoning	
<p><i>Central Business (B-1) Zone – Downtown Area</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a plan to address the parking and transportation issues in the downtown. Use the \$19 million in federal funds, to satisfy existing needs while identifying areas for future development. 		1		Economic Development Committee Common Council	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluate its regulations so that City is prepared to foster new mixed-use development. Hire a consultant to develop regulations consistent with the new urbanism principals of urban development. Consider programs to encourage the conversion of upper story Main Street buildings to residential. Incorporate a mandatory residential component in all new development. 		3		Planning & Zoning	
<p><i>South Cove Riverfront Development Area</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop regulations, which will create a pedestrian friendly mixed use, transit-oriented environment. Link the downtown to the riverfront. Riverfront development should complement the downtown 		4		Economic Development Committee Planning & Zoning	

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Chapter 10 - Maromas, Middletown's Last Frontier					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pressure state to transfer CVH watershed lands to Department of Environmental Protection as a part of Cockoponsett State Forest. 		1		Mayor Conservation Commission Legislative Delegation	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preserve the Northeast Utilities/CL&P/Rocky River Realty properties as public open space. 		2		Mayor Conservation Commission Legislative Delegation	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Constantly promote this vision of a 2,000-acre open space corridor in the Maromas section of town. 		1		Conservation Commission	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Insure the blue blazed trail and a surrounding buffer through the I-3 zone remains. 		1		Conservation Commission Planning & Zoning	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Protect slopes in excess of 25 % and large wetland systems from disturbance. 		3		Planning & Zoning	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adopt regulations to prevent industrial land uses from using primarily residential streets. 		3		Planning & Zoning	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage the state to take over the full length of Silver Street and River Road as a state highway connecting to Aircraft 		4		Dept. of Public Works Common Council Legislative Delegation	

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Road.					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Require Environmental Impact Evaluations for projects in excess 100,000 sq.ft. 		3		Planning & Zoning	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review permitted and special exception uses in the I-3 for suitability and sustainability. Eliminate uses deemed to be unsuitable and add uses, which are more appropriate. 		3		Planning & Zoning	