

City of Harrington

Downtown Development District Plan

The City of Harrington was awarded a grant in 2015 to develop a Downtown Development District Plan that focuses on economic development, as well as housing and community development, wholly in Harrington's downtown area. Its goals are to improve commercial vitality, stimulate job growth, build a diverse array of businesses, help build a stable community of long-term residents, increase home ownership for all income levels, and to reduce the amount of vacant housing. These goals are focused on Harrington's downtown, required by the grant.

Please see the proposed District Map on the back of this page.

The public comment period for this project is April 15th through May 9th. It is recommended that all comments be provided in writing to the City Clerk in advance of the May 9th Public Hearing for consideration. The entire Plan will be available for viewing after April 14th at the City Hall and Harrington Public Library or will be available for download on the City's website at <http://harrington.delaware.gov>.

This Plan, which has focused entirely on downtown Harrington, has brought together numerous planning efforts and documents, united stakeholders with a shared vision for Downtown, and aims to stimulate development and build upon recent successes. It is important that all Stakeholders be aware of the Plan, as it will be the key document for the Downtown to articulate common goals and strategies; coordinate economic development efforts; assess various assets and opportunities, as well as obstacles; identify priority development and redevelopment opportunities; be a promotional tool to share with potential investors; outline various development and marketing incentives the City may consider regarding the Downtown in the future; and assist in Downtown marketing and community events.

Important Dates

April 14 - Draft Plan Presentation

April 15 - May 9 Public Comment Review Period

April 18 - City Council Regular Meeting - 1st Read Ordinance

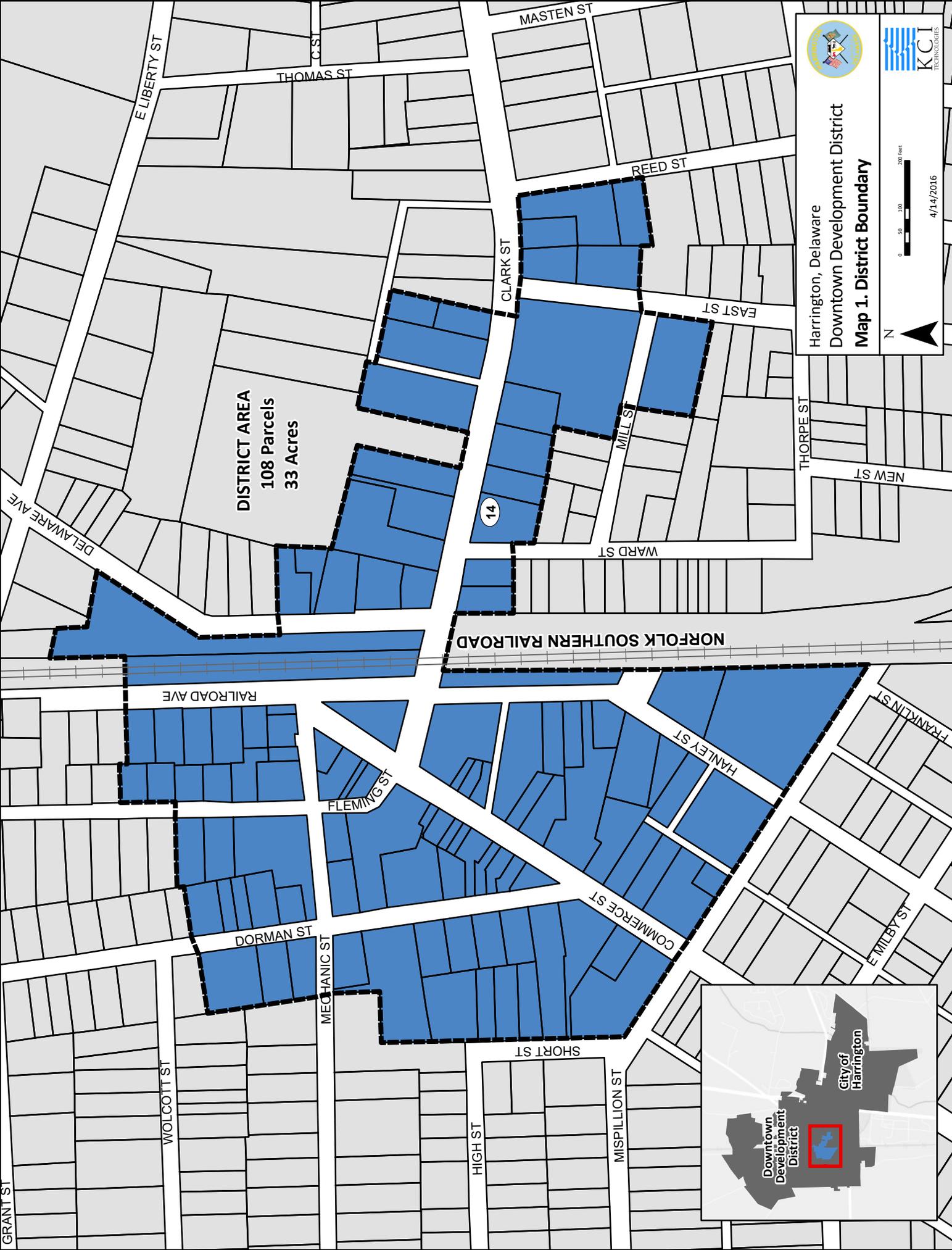
May 9 - City Council Special Meeting - Public Hearing

May 16 - City Council Regular Meeting - 2nd Read Ordinance

Agendas will be posted on the City's website.



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Harrington, Delaware
Downtown Development District
Map 1. District Boundary



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