

# Town of Candia

## Review of Recent Planning Services

### by Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission



The Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission (SNHPC) has provided the Town of Candia with a wide range of services and resources to help the town address its planning and transportation needs.

The SNHPC staff appreciate working with town staff in planning, building, fire, police, and administrative departments. The SNHPC also thanks all the volunteers they've worked with on the Planning Board. Finally, SNHPC staff appreciate the dedication of Town Commissioner Rudy Cartier, who serves on the SNHPC Executive Committee.

Despite nationwide inflation and cost increases across the vast spectrum of goods and services, the SNHPC has kept its municipal membership dues rate flat at \$0.676 per capita for the past four years by leveraging federal and other funding sources to benefit SNHPC member communities.

Highlights of the SNHPC's recent services to the Town of Candia included:

- Assisting the Planning Board with developing the Town of Candia 2024-2029 Capital Improvement Program.
- Assisting the Candia Planning Board with securing a \$25,000 grant through the state's Housing Opportunity Planning (HOP) grant program and working with the Candia HOP Committee in conducting community outreach and a Housing Needs Assessment.
- Conducting traffic counts within the Town of Candia to monitor townwide traffic volume patterns and changes.
- Performing regional freight planning, facilitating freight stakeholder meeting, truck route congestion planning and strategies and other freight research work.
- Providing mobility management services to connect Town residents to free and affordable transportation options.
- Completing a comprehensive update of the Regional Housing Needs Assessment to analyze historical trends, project future needs, and identify strategies to meet the region's housing needs.
- Launching implementation of a \$500K U.S. EPA Brownfields Assessment grant, which will assess sites to provide new opportunities for cleanup and economic development.
- Identifying high-priority Electric Vehicle (EV) corridors and analyzing feasibility of DC Fast-Charging stations along transportation corridors.
- Working with Town staff and stakeholders to complete a grant-funded "Pathways to Play" project to enhance recreation access in SNHPC communities, including fielding a regional survey to assess recreation needs and opportunities, and developing an interactive map of recreation facilities.
- Coordinating regional climate action planning efforts, developing a climate action toolkit focused on roadway adaptations, and supporting federally-funded climate action planning efforts.
- Updating the SNHPC Complete Streets Toolkit to include guidance on the most recent best practices and projects from New Hampshire and beyond.

Town of Candia Representative to the Commission  
Rudy Cartier (SNHPC Executive Committee)

*SNHPC is Seeking Candia Residents as Representatives to the Commission*