



Sustainable Connecticut Community Certification Report

This is the Sustainable Connecticut Certification Report of North Stonington, a Sustainable Connecticut bronze certified applicant.

North Stonington was certified on October 27, 2020 with 220 points. Listed below is information regarding North Stonington's Sustainable Connecticut efforts and materials associated with the applicant's certified actions.

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Actions Implemented

Each approved action and supporting documentation for which North Stonington was approved for in 2020 appears below. Please enjoy this opportunity to view and learn from the information and materials provided.

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1. Inclusive and Equitable Community Impacts

1.1 Optimize for Equity – REQUIRED

30 Points

Approved Information: 9.1: Equity Toolkit Applied to Action 5.1.6 (10 Points) 9.1: Equity Toolkit Applied to Action 10.1 (10 Points) 9.1: Equity Toolkit Applied to Action 5.5.3 (10 {Points)

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: [NORTH STONINGTON EQUITY TOOLKIT.DOCX](#)

PDF: [OUTREACH MATERIALS - FLYER](#)

IMAGE: [OUTREACH MATERIALS - SOCIAL MEDIA POST](#)

WORD: [COMMUNITY CONVERSATION - EQUITY TOOLKIT MEMO.DOCX](#)

WORD: [INCLUSION & EQUITY DISCUSSION - EQUITY TOOLKIT MEMO.DOCX](#)

2. Thriving Local Economies

2.3 Inventory and Promote Local Retail Options

10 Points

Approved Information: 1.3.2 Inventory and promote local retail options - buy local campaign. (10 points)

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: [1.3.1 LOCAL RETAIL INVENTORY MAP LINK.DOCX](#)

PDF: [NOSTOINVENTORY.PDF](#)

WORD: [WOMENOWNEDINVENTORY.DOCX](#)

PDF: [BUSINESS DIRECTORY SUSTAINABLE CT.PDF](#)

WORD: [BUY LOCAL WORKSHEET.DOCX](#)

2.6 Participate in and Promote the C-PACE Program

5 Points

Approved Information: 1.6.3: Participate in C-Pace Program (5 Points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [C-PACE - APPROVING RESOLUTION.PDF](#)

PDF: [C-PACE LEGAL AGREEMENT.PDF](#)

WORD: [C-PACE ON TOWN WEBSITE.DOCX](#)

PDF: [C-PACE RESOLUTION - MEETING MINUTES.PDF](#)

EXCEL: [C-PACE PROJECTS - NORTH STONINGTON, CT.XLSX](#)

3. Well-Stewarded Land and Natural Resources

3.4 Develop an Open Space Plan

25 Points

Approved Information: 2.4.1 Complete an open space inventory, (5 points), 2013 2.4.2 Prioritize resources for protection, (5 points), 2013 2.4.3 Develop an open space plan, (10 points), 2013 2.4.4b Protect open space - increase open space in your community, (5 points), 2019

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [2.4.1 OPEN SPACE INVENTORY - MAP.PDF](#)

PDF: [2.4.3 OPEN SPACE PLAN PCRL.PDF](#)

PDF: [2.4.4 OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION IN BUDGET.PDF](#)

WORD: [NORTH STONINGTON OPEN SPACE PLAN REVIEW.DOCX](#)

PDF: [2.4.4LAND ACQUISITION FUND](#)

WORD: [2.4.4 B TRAIL MAP MEMO 1.DOCX](#)

PDF: [2.4.4 B TRAIL MAP MEMO 2.PDF](#)

PDF: [2.4.4 B NORTH STONINGTON TRAILS GIVE AWAY MAP 2020.PD.PDF](#)

PDF: [2.4.4 B TRAIL MAP - FIRST SELECTMAN WEEKLY UPDATE.PDF](#)

PDF: [2.4.4 B OUR 2020 SUMMER NSQ.PDF](#)

PDF: [2.4.4 B CC AGENDA SEPT 2019.PD.PDF](#)

PDF: [2.4.4 B CC MINUTES FEB 2020.PD.PDF](#)

PDF: [2.4.4 B CC MINUTES OCT 2019 5.PD.PDF](#)

3.8 Implement Low Impact Development

5 Points

Approved Information: 2.8.2b: Encourage and promote Low Impact Development in your zoning regulations (5 points). Amended 5/17/18

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [2.8.2 LID - ZONING REGULATIONS.PDF](#)

Documentation Details: This section is pulled out of chapter 11 in the Zoning Regulations. All of the Zoning Regulations chapters can be found at: <https://www.northstoningtonct.gov/land-use-department/pages/zoning-regulations>

4. Vibrant and Creative Cultural Ecosystems

4.1 Map Tourism and Cultural Assets

5 Points

Approved Information: 3.1.2: Hyperlink to North Stonington municipal profile on CTVisit (5 points)

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: [CTVISITNOSTO.DOCX](#)

Documentation Details: The North Stonington page is up to date.

5. Dynamic and Resilient Planning

5.1 Integrate Sustainability into Plan of Conservation and Development

25 Points

Approved Information: 4.1.2 : Highlight Sustainability Concept in Zoning Regulations (25 points) dated 2019

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [POCD \(2013\).PDF](#)

WORD: [4.1.2 WORKSHEET B.DOCX](#)

WORD: [ACTION_4.1_WORKSHEET_C.DOCX](#)

WORD: [LAND USE AND ZONING REGULATIONS LINK NORTH STONINGTON.DOCX](#)

5.3 Develop Agriculture-Friendly Practices

25 Points

Approved Information: 4.3.1: Agriculture Friendly Practices in Zoning Regulations (5 points). updated 2019
4.3.2: Municipal Farm Land 4.3.5: Land Acquisition in Budget (10 points) 4.3.6: Hewitt Farm Community
Garden Facebook Link (10 points). Currently maintained Total: 25 points (maximum available for this action)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [AGRICULTUREFRIENDLYZONINGREGULATIONS](#)

PDF: [4.3.2 MUNICIPAL FARM LAND.PDF](#)

PDF: [LAND AQUISITION FUND](#)

WORD: [HEWITT FARM COMMUNITY GARDEN FACEBOOK PAGE.DOCX](#)

Documentation Details: For 4.3.1 Agriculture Friendly Zoning Regs Link For 4.3.2 Municipal Farm Land For
4.3.5. the Land Acquisition Fund is found can be found highlighted on page 9 of the attached PDF For 4.3.6,
Hewitt Farm Community Garden utilizes its Facebook page as a method of promotion and outreach.
Photos of the garden area can also be found on their Facebook page.

6. Clean and Diverse Transportation Systems and Choices

6.1 Implement Complete Streets

15 Points

Approved Information: 5.1.6. Community Conversation and Resulting Crosswalk in Village of North Stonington (15 points)

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: [5.1.6. COMMUNITY CONVERSATION.DOCX](#)

WORD: [5.1.6. COMMUNITY CONVERSATION - AGENDA.DOCX](#)

PDF: [5.1.6. COMMUNITY CONVERSATION - FOLLOW UP LETTER TO VILLAGE.PDF](#)

WORD: [5.1.6. COMMUNITY CONVERSATION -COMMENTS SUBMITTED ON LINE.DOCX](#)

PDF: [5.1.6. COMMUNITY CONVERSATION -FLYER.PDF](#)

IMAGE: [5.1.6. COMMUNITY CONVERSATION -IMG_3476.JPG](#)

IMAGE: [5.1.6. COMMUNITY CONVERSATION -IMG_3478.JPG](#)

IMAGE: [5.1.6. COMMUNITY CONVERSATION -IMG_3479.JPG](#)

WORD: [5.1.6. COMMUNITY CONVERSATION -NOTES.DOCX](#)

IMAGE: [5.1.6. FINISHED VILLAGE CROSSWALK 1.JPG](#)

IMAGE: [5.1.6. FINISHED VILLAGE CROSSWALK 2.JPG](#)

6.5 Promote Public Transit and Other Mobility Strategies

10 Points

Approved Information: 5.5.4: Create and formally adopt a bicycle and/or pedestrian plan that includes a vision statement, goals and objectives; an existing conditions analysis; recommendations on policy changes; and an implementation strategy. (10 points)

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: [5.5.3 WALK AUDIT EVENT DESCRIPTION.DOCX](#)

PDF: [5.5.3 WALK AUDIT EVENT PICTURES.PDF](#)

PDF: [5.5.3 WALK AUDIT FLYER \(NS\).PDF](#)

IMAGE: [5.5.3 WALK AUDIT SOCIAL MEDIA POST.JPG](#)

PDF: [5.5.4 SCCOG BIKE & PEDESTRIAN PLAN](#)

Documentation Details: 5.5.4 SCCOG Adopted a Regional Bike & Pedestrian Plan for which North Stonington participated.

7. Renewable and Efficient Energy Infrastructure and Operations

7.6 Install Efficient Exterior Lighting

5 Points

Approved Information: 6.7.1 Plan and Convert Utility Owned Street Lights, (5 points), completed 12/18/18

Supporting Documentation:

EXCEL: [N. STONINGTON LED CONVERSION INVENTORY.XLSX](#)

PDF: [N. STONINGTON - EVERSOURCE CONVERSATION.PDF](#)

PDF: [FWDSTREETLIGHTPLANFORSCHOOL.PDF](#)

8. Inclusive Engagement, Communication and Education

8.1 Hold a Sustainability Event

5 Points

Approved Information: 7.1.1: Hold a Sustainability Event (5 Points)

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: [NORTHSTONINGTONHAZCOLLECTIONDAY.DOCX](#)

PDF: [FW TIME FOR A HIKE.PDF](#)

IMAGE: [PIE, COFFEE, CONVERSATION.JPEG](#)

IMAGE: [AFFORDABLE HOUSING CONVERSATION FLYER](#)

IMAGE: [EQUALITY AND INCLUSION FORUM](#)

EXCEL: [NORTH STONINGTON SUSTAINABILITY EVENTS.XLSX](#)

9. Strategic Materials Management

9.3 Recycle Additional Materials and Compost Organics

20 Points

Approved Information: 7.7.1: Recycling non-CED electronics, paints (20 points), ongoing

Supporting Documentation:

IMAGE: [SOCIAL MEDIA OUTREACH](#)

PDF: [TRANSFER STATION WEBSITE](#)

WORD: [COMPOST EDUCATION MATERIALS FIRST SELECTMAN NORTH STONINGTON.DOCX](#)

WORD: [PHOTOS OF NORTH STONINGTON RECYCLABLES](#)

PDF: [CLOTHING&SHOES](#)

PDF: [TRANSFER STATION WEBSITE.PDF](#)

PDF: [SCRRRA PARTICIPATING COMMUNITY](#)

PDF: [NS ANNUAL MUNICIPAL RECYCLING REPORT.PDF](#)

11. Healthy, Efficient and Diverse Housing

11.1 Design and Implement an Affordable Housing Plan

25 Points

Approved Information: 8.1.1 PSC Housing Data (10 Points) 8.1.2 SCCOG Housing Needs Assessment (15 Points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [8.1.2 HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT.PDF](#)

PDF: [8.1.1 PSC HOUSING DATA PROFILE.PDF](#)

WORD: [8.1.1 WORKSHEET 2.DOCX](#)

PDF: [8.1.2 HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT REFERENCE SHEET FINAL \(1\).PDF](#)

PDF: [8.1.1 PSC MEETING MINUTES.PDF](#)

PDF: [8.1.2 SECCOG HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT 2018](#)

Documentation Details: For the submission for 8.1.2., the document entitled "8.1.2 Housing Needs Assessment Reference Sheet FINAL (1).pdf" references sections of the document entitled "8.1.2 SECCOG Housing Needs Assessment 2018" by page number; this document is also attached.

13. Innovative Strategies and Practices

13.1 Implement Your Own Sustainability Action

10 Points

Approved Information: 10.1.1.: Innovation Action #2: Inclusion & Equity Virtual Panel Discussion (10 points)

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: [10.1. INNOVATION ACTION #1 - SCHOOL REOPENING TASK FORCE.DOCX](#)

WORD: [10.1. INNOVATION ACTION #1 - FIRST LETTER TO FAMILIES.DOCX](#)

PDF: [10.1. INNOVATION ACTION #1 - BUS SURVEY.PDF](#)

PDF: [10.1. INNOVATION ACTION #1 - SCHOOL REOPENING EMAIL TO PARENTS.PDF](#)

IMAGE: [10.1. INNOVATION ACTION #1 - TASK FORCE.JPG](#)

PDF: [10.1. INNOVATION ACTION #1 -MAY-14-2020-BOARD OF ED SPECIAL-MEETING-MINUTES.PD.PDF](#)

PDF: [10.1. INNOVATION ACTION #1 -MAY-27-2020 BOARD OF ED MINUTES.PD.PDF](#)

PDF: [10.1. INNOVATION ACTION #1 -SCHOOL-RE-OPENING-TASK-FORCE-NOTICE.PD.PDF](#)

PDF: [10.1. INNOVATION ACTION #1 -SURVEY RESULTS SHORT VERSION.PDF](#)

WORD: [10.1. INNOVATION ACTION #2- INCLUSION & EQUITY DISCUSSION.DOCX](#)

PDF: [10.1.1. INNOVATION ACTION #2 - FIRST SELECTMAN WEEKLY UPDATE - EQUITY AND INCLUSION DISCUSSION ANNOUNCEMENT.PDF](#)

PDF: [10.1.1. INNOVATION ACTION #2 - FIRST SELECTMAN WEEKLY UPDATE - EQUITY AND INCLUSION EVENT.PDF](#)

PDF: [10.1.1. INNOVATION ACTION #2 - INCLUSION & EQUALITY DISCUSSION SURVEY.PDF](#)

PDF: [10.1.1. INNOVATION ACTION #2 - VIRTUAL PANEL ON INCLUSION AND EQUALITY EMAIL BLAST.PDF](#)