

June 4, 2020 Discussion Questions for Village Zoning

The *East Montpelier Village Master Plan* identifies 14 goals for the village.

1. Which of these goals can be wholly or partially accomplished through zoning?
2. Which goals cannot be accomplished through zoning?

The *Village Master Plan* describes 4 planning areas. The intent at the time was that these planning areas could be the basis for 4 village-focused zoning districts, although they were deliberately called “planning areas” rather than “zoning districts” to allow for implementation flexibility.

3. Do we want 4 new zoning districts, in addition to our 5 existing zoning districts? Or can we combine some of the planning areas into fewer new zoning districts without compromising the vision and goals of the Village Master Plan?

For example:

4. Can/should the Lower and Upper Village Mixed Use Areas be combined into one new zoning district?
5. Can/should the all or part of the Medium Density Village Residential Areas be combined with the Mixed Use areas? Would there be a problem with allowing mixed uses into these otherwise residential areas?

Next Steps:

- Consider dimensional standards for village zoning districts
- Consider uses for village zoning districts
- Review initial rough draft of village zoning district standards