
MASTER PLAN REORGANIZATION

(Adopted February 25, 2008)

On December 17, 1984 the Harding Township Planning Board adopted an updated Master Plan, prepared by Townplan Associates, to reflect the growth changes and types of development which came about since the adoption of the first Master Plan in 1972. In 1994, the entire Master Plan was prepared in digital format and recodified to reflect the comprehensive reorganization of the existing inventories and data and the amendments that had been made in the preceding decade.

Since the adoption of the 1994 recodified plan, the Planning Board has adopted numerous revisions to the background studies and elements of the Master Plan in order to reflect changing conditions and circumstances, and updated development goals and policies. In 2008, with the adoption of a new Open Space Plan element to include an updated open space inventory, the Master Plan was reorganized to place relevant background data within each plan element. The inventory of environmental resources and background information on historic resources form the core of a new section entitled *Community Characteristics* since they give Harding its unique characteristics and provide the underlying rationale for many of the township's preservation and planning objectives. This new format will facilitate the periodic amendment and/or updating of individual Master Plan elements for many years to come.