Heuvelton Local Planning Committee (LPC)

Meeting #5 | October 28, 2026



LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE (LPC) AGENDA

1. Welcome & Preamble
2. Public Comment
3. Project Schedule Overview
4. Community Engagement Update
5. Refined Projects List Discussion
6. Vote on Final Slate of Projects
7. Next Steps

Thank you for serving on the Local Planning Committee for your community!





WELCOME + PREAMBLE

NY FORWARD PREAMBLE

Each Local Planning Committee Member is reminded of their obligation to disclose potential conflicts of interest with respect to projects that may be discussed at today's meeting. If you have a potential conflict of interest regarding a project you believe will be discussed during the meeting, please disclose it now and recuse yourself from any discussion or vote on that project. For example, you may state that you, or a family member, have a financial interest in the project, or you are on the board of the organization proposing the project. At this time, are there any recusals that need to be noted?

Please inform the LPC co-chairs during the meeting if the need to disclose a conflict arises unexpectedly and then recuse yourself from discussion or voting on the project.

As we continue through the planning process, recusal forms will be required from anyone with an identified potential conflict to be kept on file with the Department of State.

PLEASE NOTE: YOU MUST LEAVE THE MEETING ROOM WHEN THE LPC IS DISCUSSING A PROJECT THAT YOU ARE RECUSED FROM



PUBLIC COMMENT



PROJECT SCHEDULE OVERVIEW

PROJECT SCHEDULE + SCOPE

1 July

- LPC Kick-off
- Vision, Goals, & Strategies
- 1st Public Engagement

2 August | September

- Draft Downtown Assessment
- Vision, Goals, & Strategies
- Open Call for Projects

3 September | October

- Review Project Applications
- Preliminary Project List
- Project Development
- Final Downtown Assessment

WE ARE HERE!

4 October

- Preliminary Project List
- Project Sponsor Coordination
- Project Development
- Draft Project Profiles
- 2nd Public Engagement

5 November | December

- Draft Strategic Investment Plan
- Final Project Profiles

6 February 2027

- Submit final NY Forward Strategic Investment Plan to NYS



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT UPDATE

NY FORWARD OUTREACH EVENTS



Held 4 Local Planning Committee Meetings open to the public.



Press releases for meetings and other engagement activities.



Interactive Public Open House Events



Stakeholder Meetings



Community Survey



Social Media Posts



Open Call for Projects Presentation



Door to Door Business Discussion/ Survey



Email Campaigns/ Outreach



Flyers for Open Call and public meetings.



In-person Office Hours for project application assistance



Heuvelton NY Forward Periodical



Coffee with Consultants



Virtual Informational Session



Project Website and Project Cards

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE #2

Q1. Which goal(s) does this project help address?

GOAL 1: Enhance Heuvelton's economic vitality by promoting a thriving downtown economy that supports local businesses, encourages entrepreneurship, and attracts new opportunities.

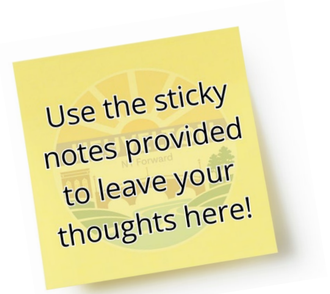
GOAL 2: Foster a livable, inclusive downtown with housing options that can meet the needs of all Heuvelton residents.

GOAL 3: Activate downtown Heuvelton by improving physical connections and shared spaces.

GOAL 4: Support community connections by celebrating vibrant downtown destinations that reflect Heuvelton's historic identity and shared sense of pride.

GOAL 5: Promote environmental stewardship and community well-being through Heuvelton's built environment, natural, recreational, and scenic assets.

Q2. This project will improve downtown by...



A01: NYS-812/ STATE STREET STREETSCAPE PROJECT

Location: Along State Street within the Heuvelton NY Forward Boundary

Category: Municipal Project

Description:

The State Street Streetscape Improvements project will extend the bridge's historic character throughout the corridor with period lighting, historic plaques, horse and buggy parking, improved sidewalks, and a Public Address (PA) system for community events. These upgrades will create an attractive setting that supports ongoing facade improvements, new mixed-use residential units, and expanded commercial activity. Trees, benches, and upgraded marked crossings will enhance walkability while maintaining NYSDOT preferred pedestrian safety standards and encouraging use of nearby businesses.

LPC Member Recusals: None

Total Project Cost	Sponsor Match
$3,983,000	Not Required

Total NY Forward Request	LPC Evaluation
$3,983,000	Advance



Conceptual rendering. Not for planning or construction purposes.

Public Input:



B01: 25 Water Street Renovation

Location: 25 Water Street

Category: Non-Profit Project

Description:

Upgrade 25 Water Street to add an apartment to the mixed-used building. This proposed project will restore the façade to be compatible with local historic character, the installation of new heat pumps and the removal of asbestos siding shingles while maintaining its current use.

LPC Member Recusals: Karen Cole, David Kingsley, Barbara Lashua

Total Project Cost	Sponsor Match
$495,000	Not Required

Total NY Forward Request	LPC Evaluation
$495,000	Advance



Rendering provided by project sponsor

Public Input:

B02: Renovation of the Heuvelton Volunteer Fire Department

Location: 95 N State Street

Category: Non-Profit Project

Description:

The project aims to improve energy efficiency and both interior and exterior aesthetics for the Heuvelton Fire Department. This proposed project will replace the existing roof, doors, and windows, expand the truck bay, install a new fire alarm system, and upgrades to the restrooms.

LPC Member Recusals: None

Total Project Cost	Sponsor Match
$522,000	Not Required

Total NY Forward Request	LPC Evaluation
$522,000	Advance



Rendering provided by project sponsor

Public Input

B03: Renovation of River's Edge Apartments

Location: 87 State Street

Category: Private Project

Description:

The aim of this project is to restore and upgrade the River's Edge Apartments. The project proposed will restore the façade, update signage, and replace the existing door, windows and concrete steps.

LPC Member Recusals: None

Total Project Cost	Sponsor Match
$83,000	75%

Total NY Forward Request	LPC Evaluation
$62,000	Advance



Existing conditions of building

Public Input:

B04: Refurbishment of Heuvelton AMVET Roof

Location: 87 State Street

Category: Non-Profit Project

Description:

The project aims to rehabilitate the building roof and ceiling system to address deteriorated conditions and improve building functionality. Improvements include roof replacement, replacement or augmentation of insulation beneath the roof, updating or replacing existing electrical infrastructure located within the ceiling, installation of new ceiling lighting, and replacement of the existing ceiling with new ceiling tiles.

LPC Member Recusals: None

Total Project Cost	Sponsor Match
$300,000	10%

Total NY Forward Request	LPC Evaluation
$270,000	Advance



Existing conditions of building

Public Input

B05: 94 N. State Street Renovation

Location: 94 N State Street

Category: Private Project

Description:

The project will improve a mixed-use building with commercial space on the first- floor and a one-bedroom apartment on the second floor. Improvements include reconfiguring the first-floor office and waiting area to increase waiting room space and improve functionality, as well as making the building's deck ADA accessible. Additional upgrades include replacing flooring, installing two energy-efficient front picture windows, replacing exterior siding, and upgrading the first-floor heating and air conditioning systems with more energy-efficient units.

LPC Member Recusals: None

Total Project Cost	Sponsor Match
$140,000	25%

Total NY Forward Request	LPC Evaluation
$105,000	Advance



Rendering provided by project sponsor

Public Input:



B06: Krista's Place (Doug's Tavern)

Location: 71 State Street

Category: Private Project

Description:

The project aims to expand and improve the existing outdoor space at Doug's Tavern to support year-round use. Improvements include façade enhancements, creating a four-season outdoor event space to accommodate dining, live entertainment, and private events in all weather conditions, reducing the need for temporary tents and the relocation of entertainment activities into the indoor dining area. The expanded space will support gatherings such as wedding receptions, birthday parties, banquets, and retirement parties.

LPC Member Recusals: None

Total Project Cost	Sponsor Match
$690,000	25%

Total NY Forward Request	LPC Evaluation
$517,000	Advance



Existing conditions of building

Public Input:



C01: Establish a Small Project Fund in Heuvelton

Location: Not Site Specific

Category: Municipal Project

Description:

This project will establish a locally managed matching fund to undertake a range of smaller downtown revitalization projects including facade improvements, interior and exterior building renovations for commercial or mixed-use spaces, permanent assistance, public art, permanently affixed signage and awnings, commercial interior fit-out, HVAC, mechanical, electrical, and plumbing. Applications to this small project fund will be required to provide a minimum of 25% of the overall project cost as a matching contribution, leveraging private funds to achieve an even greater transformative impact in downtown Heuvelton.

LPC Member Recusals: None

Total Project Cost

$300,000

Sponsor Match

Minimum 25% match required for projects applying to the fund

Total NY Forward Request

$300,000

LPC Evaluation

Advance



Public Input:



D01: Create a Branding and Wayfinding Initiative for Downtown Heuvelton

Location: Not Site Specific

Category: Municipal Project

Description:

The Heuvelton branding and wayfinding initiative will develop a branding strategy designed to enhance the visibility and appeal of Heuvelton as a destination and distinct place in the region. The wayfinding signage will utilize the branding strategy to enhance access to, and user experience of Heuvelton's downtown by highlighting its assets.

LPC Member Recusals: None

Total Project Cost	Sponsor Match
$250,000	Not Required

Total NY Forward Request	LPC Evaluation
$250,000	Advance



Public Input:





REFINED PROJECTS LIST DISCUSSION

LPC Project Evaluation

- State and local goals
- Project readiness
- Catalytic effect
- Cost effectiveness
- Co-benefits
- Public support
- Other



Building a diverse population



Growing the local property tax base



Providing quality of life amenities



Reducing greenhouse gas emissions



Creating an active downtown



Attracting new businesses



Enhancing public spaces

Vision and Goals

“Downtown Heuvelton is a walkable and welcoming riverside community. State Street serves as a commercial corridor and gathering place for all residents and visitors by honoring its rich history and supporting a lively mix of entrepreneurship, cultural activities, and community events. Heuvelton’s thoughtfully revitalized downtown includes a diverse mix of housing and services to meet community needs and strengthen the local economy where visitors are drawn to the Village’s nature-based recreation along the Oswegatchie River. Downtown Heuvelton is a cultural hub where historic character, economic vitality, environmental stewardship, and community pride come together to create a distinctive sense of place.”

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PROJECT LIST AFTER LPC MEETING #4

Project List Highlights

- **9 Projects Ready to Advance**
- **1 Project Not for NY Forward**

- **$6,594,000 Million** in NY Forward Funds Requested

- **$6,853,000 Million** in Total Project Costs

- LPC to develop a slate of recommended projects for inclusion in the Strategic Investment Plan

- This slate of projects should represent a NY Forward request of between $6-$8 Million

- Pipeline Projects: Important projects that may not be ready to receive NY Forward Funding

PROJECTS READY TO ADVANCE

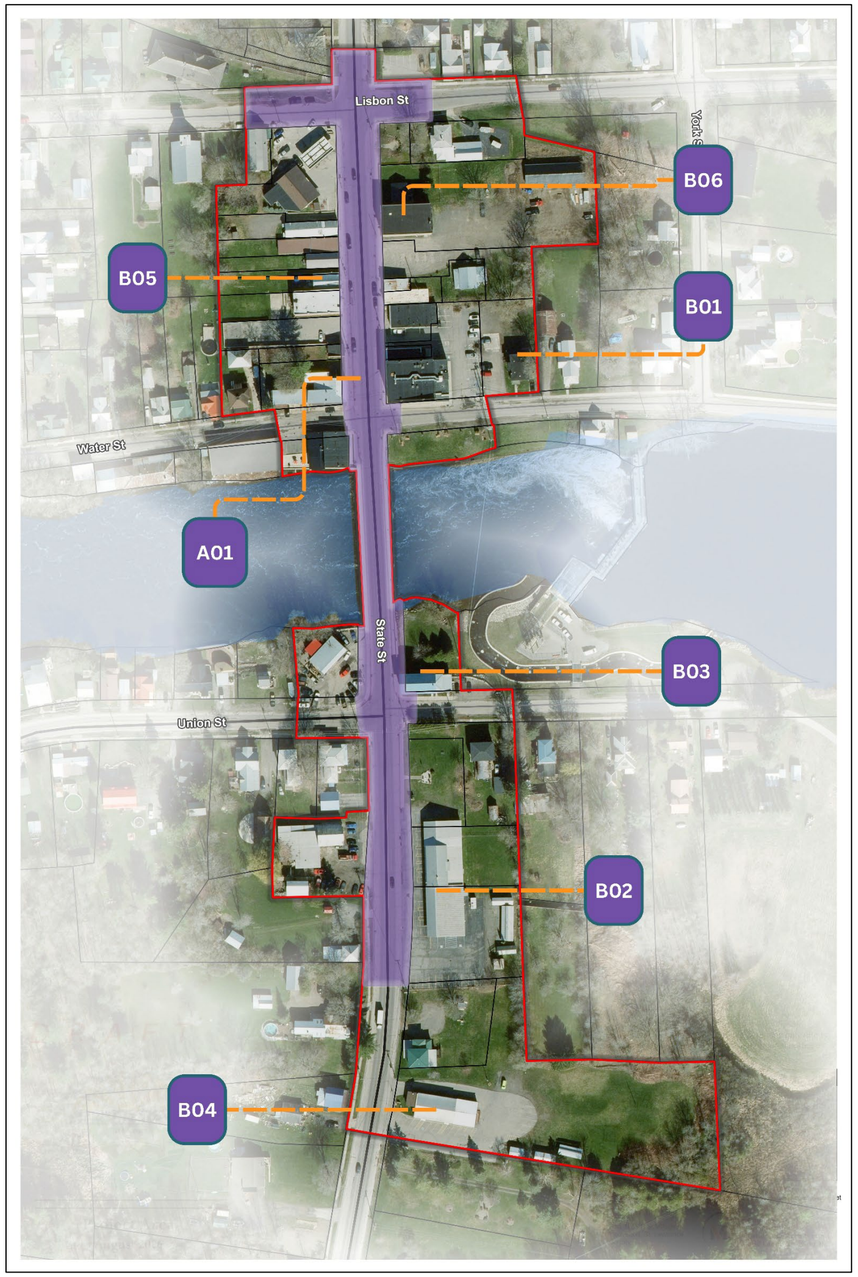
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Total NY Forward Request
$6,594,000

PROJECTS READY TO ADVANCE

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*Projects are not site specific and may be implemented throughout the NY Forward Boundary.



PROJECT UPDATES SINCE LPC #4

A01: NYS-812/ State Street Streetscape | Municipal Project



Conceptual rendering. Not for planning or construction purposes.

- Total project cost has decreased by $368,000
  - Project cost decrease is due to the removal of paving fees, the removal of physical bump-outs and some trees
- Revised concept

PROJECT UPDATES SINCE LPC #4

B01: 25 Water Street Renovation| Non-Profit Project



Rendering provided by project sponsor

- Professional cost estimates
- Bank letter of interest
- Budget table
- Existing conditions photos
- Provided project rendering
- Project timeline

PROJECT UPDATES SINCE LPC #4

B02: Renovation of the Heuvelton Volunteer Fire Department| Non-Profit Project



Rendering provided by project sponsor

- Professional cost estimates
- Bank letter of interest
- Demonstrated financial capacity
- Budget table
- Existing conditions photo
- Provided project rendering
- Project timeline

PROJECT UPDATES SINCE LPC #4

B03: Renovation of River's Edge Apartments| Private Project



Existing conditions of building

- Provided occupancy and tenant turnover information
- Confirmed project match funding
- Existing conditions images
- Bank Letter of Interest
- Demonstrate financial capacity
- Provide renderings or proposed conditions images of intended work
- Project Timeline

PROJECT UPDATES SINCE LPC #4

B04: Refurbishment of Heuvelton AMVET Roof| Non-Profit Project



Existing conditions of building

- Received an estimate for the ceiling and roof replacement
- Demonstrate financial capacity to carry project costs prior to any potential reimbursement
- Update budget table to indicate proposed project activities
- Identify any work proposed to the existing post office area
- Provide renderings or proposed conditions images of intended work
- Clarify downtown impact and benefits

PROJECT UPDATES SINCE LPC #4

B05: 94 N. State Street Renovation| Private Project



Rendering provided by project sponsor

- Updated budget table
- Sponsor Match
- Professional Cost Estimates
- Demonstrated financial capacity
- Existing conditions images
- Proposed deck will be ADA compliant should the project be awarded NY Forward funding
- Provided project rendering

PROJECT UPDATES SINCE LPC #4

B06: Krista's Place (Doug's Tavern)| Private Project



Existing conditions of building

- Sponsor Match
- Existing Conditions Photos
- Provide LLC Name
- Budget Table
- Professional Cost Estimates
- Demonstrate Financial Capacity
- Provide renderings or proposed conditions images of intended work
- Project timeline

PROJECT UPDATES SINCE LPC #4

C01: Establish a Small Project Fund in Heuvelton| Municipal Project



- NA

D01: Create a Branding and Wayfinding Initiative for Downtown Heuvelton| Municipal Project



- NA

PROJECTS NOT FOR NY FORWARD

- B07 – Upgrade to Heuvelton Free Library

Total NY Forward Request
$457,000



VOTE ON FINAL SLATE OF PROJECTS

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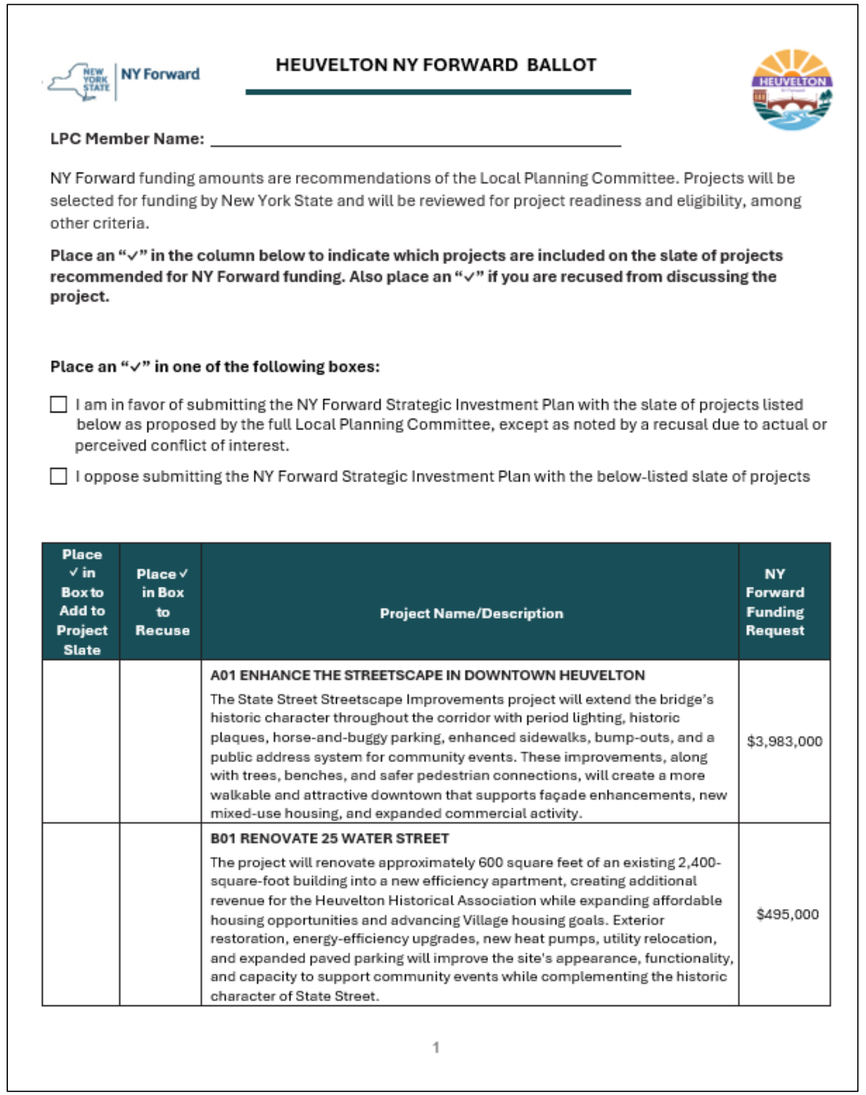
- LPC votes on final slate of projects to be recommended for inclusion in the Strategic Investment Plan
- This slate of projects should represent a NY Forward request of between $6-8 million
- NYS makes final funding decisions



VOTE ON A SLATE OF PROJECTS

Ballot Instructions:

- Place a check mark in the box to the add to add the project the final slate of projects
- Place a check mark in the box that represents your vote
- Place a check mark in the box next to projects you have recused yourself from if applicable
- Sign ballot
- Submit



NY Forward

HEUVELTON NY FORWARD BALLOT

LPC Member Name: _____

NY Forward funding amounts are recommendations of the Local Planning Committee. Projects will be selected for funding by New York State and will be reviewed for project readiness and eligibility, among other criteria.

Place an "✓" in the column below to indicate which projects are included on the slate of projects recommended for NY Forward funding. Also place an "✓" if you are recused from discussing the project.

Place an "✓" in one of the following boxes:

☐ I am in favor of submitting the NY Forward Strategic Investment Plan with the slate of projects listed below as proposed by the full Local Planning Committee, except as noted by a recusal due to actual or perceived conflict of interest.

☐ I oppose submitting the NY Forward Strategic Investment Plan with the below-listed slate of projects

Place ✓ in Box to Add to Project Slate	Place ✓ in Box to Recuse	Project Name/Description	NY Forward Funding Request
		A01 ENHANCE THE STREETSCAPE IN DOWNTOWN HEUVELTON The State Street Streetscape Improvements project will extend the bridge's historic character throughout the corridor with period lighting, historic plaques, horse-and-buggy parking, enhanced sidewalks, bump-outs, and a public address system for community events. These improvements, along with trees, benches, and safer pedestrian connections, will create a more walkable and attractive downtown that supports façade enhancements, new mixed-use housing, and expanded commercial activity.	$3,983,000
		B01 RENOVATE 25 WATER STREET The project will renovate approximately 600 square feet of an existing 2,400-square-foot building into a new efficiency apartment, creating additional revenue for the Heuvelton Historical Association while expanding affordable housing opportunities and advancing Village housing goals. Exterior restoration, energy-efficiency upgrades, new heat pumps, utility relocation, and expanded paved parking will improve the site's appearance, functionality, and capacity to support community events while complementing the historic character of State Street.	$495,000

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IDENTIFY FINAL SLATE OF PROJECTS

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Total NY Forward Request
$6,594,000



NEXT STEPS

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- Draft Strategic Investment Plan completely by MJ: **December – January**
- Final Strategic Investment Plan due to NYS: **April 2027**
- Project Award Announcements – **anticipated Summer 2027**

- Thank you to the LPC members for your time, commitment and support in the NY Forward process. Your work here is done!

Visit the Heuvelton NY Forward website to follow along, view meeting summaries and presentation materials and find out how to get involved!

HeuveltonNYForward.com