

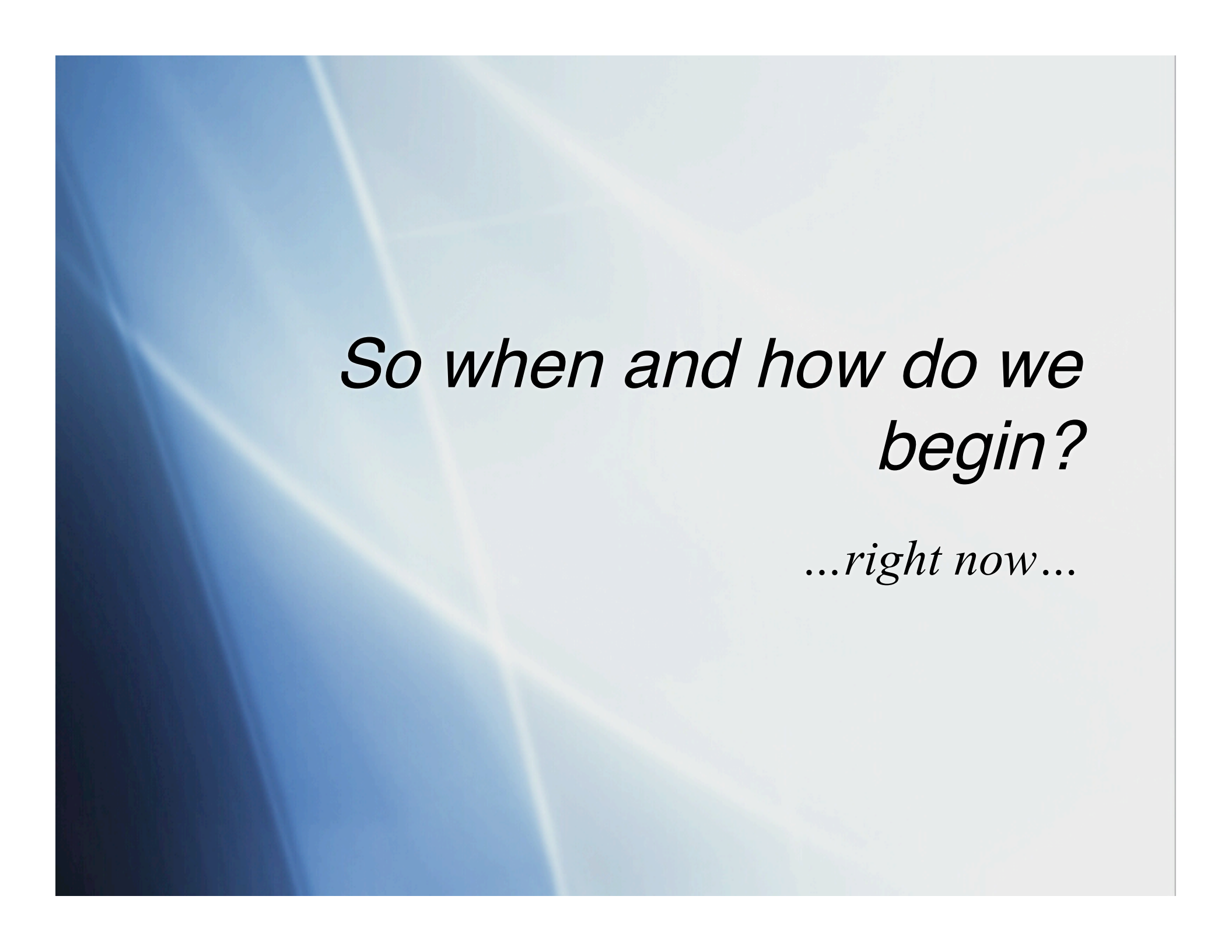


Kingston 2020

A Comprehensive Plan Strategy for the
City of Kingston

Why Does Kingston Need a Comprehensive Plan?

- * The most recent CP was done in 1961.
- * CPs can guide growth and development while preserving historical and environmental assets. A win-win for all.
- * CPs are favored by developers because the document offers land use and development guidelines.
- * The CP process would involve a variety of community stakeholders.
- * A CP would be seen a ***legacy project*** for the current administration.

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*So when and how do we
begin?*

...right now...

Presenting: *Kingston 2020*



Kingston 2020 is an community initiative charged with creating a clear vision for the City of Kingston through the year 2020 via the development and adoption of a comprehensive plan aimed at guiding economic development in the city while addressing quality of life issues such as traffic and safety, crime and the environment. The plan — created with input from stakeholder/participants such as residents, business and civic associations, and elected officials — would also recognize and include the role of the city's cultural and historical assets as well as its regional role as a Hudson River municipality — one of the largest between New York City and Albany.

How does a CP work?

A comprehensive plan serves as a municipality's blueprint for its future. Therefore, **Kingston 2020** would set goals, policies and strategies for Kingston, focusing on economic development, housing, land use, transportation, the municipal infrastructure, the environment, and historical assets, among other things. **Kingston 2020** would also summarize the current state of the city and perhaps offer recommendations for the future.

Basic Steps

1. Community visioning workshops
2. Strategy creation
3. Draft plan
4. Plan review/approval
5. Final adoption
5. Plan implementation
6. Monitor, assess and amend with reviews of the CP every two years.



Implementation Tools

- ♣ **Visioning exercises** would be done ala World Café with community stakeholders developing a clear vision for Kingston
- ♣ **Surveys** could be conducted to bolster community participation
- ♣ **Workshops** could be planned during the initial stages to help educate stakeholders and other participants
- ♣ **Public hearings** to solicit community feedback

Ongoing Steps of CP Development

- ♣ Creating specific, measurable and trackable goals for the City of Kingston
- ♣ Assessing and leveraging existing guidelines, plans, and studies
- ♣ Updating zoning ordinances