

## Complete List of Ideas from Theme Panel Discussions November-December 2009

### Top 20

1. Reduce automobile reliance **(29 dots)**
2. Improve connectivity & walkability Downtown **(27 dots)**
3. Create “Complete” neighborhoods with centers **(26 dots)**
4. Make Downtown streets vibrant, active & interesting **(23 dots)**
5. Create a stewardship program to maintain parks **(20 Dots)**
6. Improve Downtown business climate/targeted tax incentives **(18 dots)**
7. Create a Multi-Modal Transportation Center at Union Station **(17 dots)**
8. Strengthen Civic Education **(17 dots)**
9. Improve Downtown Retail – more good mixed big stores, small stores and expanded hours **(16 dots)**
10. Create a public policy that puts pedestrians first **(16 dots)**
11. Address Public Safety **(16 dots)**
12. Establish a Green Renovation Blueprint or “Greenprint” for vacant and underused buildings and surface parking lots Downtown **(15 dots)**
13. Intensify Environmental Education **(13 dots)**
14. Improve Buses/Trolley/Shuttle Downtown **(13 dots)**
15. Enhance Neighborhood Connectivity **(11 dots)**
16. Strengthen Architectural Preservation Program **(11 dots)**
17. Fill in the gaps in the streetscapes and surface parking lots city-wide **(10 Dots)**
18. Connect Downtown to area Colleges **(10 dots)**
19. Eliminate barriers to sustainability (zoning, tax code, etc) **(9 dots)**
20. Implement a bold symbolic project Downtown **(9 dots)**

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### Top Areas

1. Pedestrians/Bicycles (92 dots)
2. Sustainability (62 dots)

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### By Theme

#### Theme 1: Promote Livable & Sustainable Neighborhoods: N=90

- Civic Education **(17 dots)**
- Connectivity **(11 dots)**
- Neighborhood Centers **(9 dots)**
- Economic Development- capture entrepreneurial energy **(8 dots)**
- Parks/Cemeteries/ Open Space (maintenance) **(6 dots)**
- Public Safety **(6 dots)**
- Transportation (improved access via transit) **(5 dots)**

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- Revise Zoning (plain English, form-based) **(5 dots)**
- Parking enforcement, revise parking regulations **(5 dots)**
- Sustained maintenance (residential ownership) **(5 dots)**
- Regionalism in addressing problems & in transportation **(5 dots)**
- Quality of life **(4 dots)**
- Improve Transit Network **(3 dots)**
- Prisoner re-entry **(1 dot)**

## **Theme 2: Protect the City's Natural & Built Environment: N=92**

- Establish a Green renovation Blueprint for vacant and underused buildings and surface parking lots **(15 dots)**
- Stewardship program to maintain parks **(14 Dots)**
- Environmental Education **(13 dots)**
- Strengthen Architectural Preservation Program **(11 dots)**
- Filling in the gaps in the streetscapes and surface parking lots **(10 Dots)**
- Commitment to Implementation **(9 dots)**
- Green Infrastructure/Comprehensive urban forestry plan **(5 dots)**
- Pedestrian friendly streets/sidewalks/ walkable city **(3 dots)**
- Involve corporations/volunteers & utilize existing resources & organizations (like Knox Park) **(3 dots)**
- Community Ownership/Involvement/Empowerment **(2 dots)**
- People-friendly Mass Transit **(2 dots)**
- Waste management and recycling **(1 dot)**
- Include NHDS & NHD plans, city partnership **(1 dot)**
- Incentivize the green roof program **(1 dot)**
- Integrating the Environment & Human Health **(1 dot)**
- Uncover the Park River and make more accessible **(1 dot)**

## **Theme 3: Enhance Mobility: N=109**

- Reduce automobile reliance **(19 dots)**
- Create a Multi-Modal Transportation Center at Union Station **(17 dots)**
- Safety (crime) **(9 dots)**
- Strong emphasis on bicycle, secure storage. Secure bike parking. **(7dots)**
- Create and implement a vision of how commercial centers can connect and be connected to and with mixed modes of transit **(6 dots)**
- Pedestrian and bicycle safety; safe bike routes to the center of Hartford **(5 dots)**
- Build on our great existing rail beds to improve mass transit, e.g. light rail, high speed rail, other **(5 dots)**
- Pedestrian/Bicyclist Connectivity **(5 dots)**
- Politics/Coalition **(5 dots)**
- Maximize use of land to connect to transportation and create economic development **(3 dots)**
- Low Hanging Fruit/Short Term Priorities **(3 dots)**
- Small forms of transportation/new transportation network **(2 dots)**
- Put pedestrians first/affect public policy **(16 dots)**
- Complete Green Streets as a public resource **(6 dots)**

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- Reduce parking incentives/ provide alternatives **(2 dots)**

## **Theme 4: Advance Downtown: N=151**

- Connectivity & walkability (Downtown) **(27 dots)**
- Make streets vibrant, active & interesting (Downtown) **(23 dots)**
- Improve business climate/targeted tax incentives (Downtown) **(18 dots)**
- Retail – more good mixed big stores, small stores and expanded hours (Downtown) **(16 dots)**
- Buses/Trolley/Shuttle (Downtown) **(13 dots)**
- Connecting to colleges (Downtown) **(10 dots)**
- A Bold Symbolic Project (Downtown) **(9 dots)**
- Transform surface parking lots(Downtown) **(8 dots)**
- Marketing (Downtown) **(8 dots)**
- Family-Friendly(Downtown) **(7 dots)**
- Housing – more diverse for everyone, mixed income (Downtown) **(6 dots)**
- Art and cultural activities – coffee shops, events (Downtown) **(6 dots)**

## **Theme 5: Integrate Sustainable Practices: N=71**

- “Complete” neighborhoods **(11 dots)**
- Make cars superfluous **(10 dots)**
- Undo stupid stuff **(9 dots)**
- Public policy supports sustainability principals **(8 dot)**
- Zoning (sustainability) **(6 dots)**
- Live near where you work **(6 dots)**
- Education (sustainability) **(3dots)**
- Change personal habits to conserve energy **(3 dots)**
- Integrate green spaces and parks; Elevate concept of nature in City living **(3 dots)**
- Becoming the Energy Efficient Capital- apply financial and intellectual capital **(3 dot)**
- Eliminate barriers to sustainability (zoning, tax code, etc) **(3 dots)**
- Make sure science informs the plan (climate change) **(3 dots)**
- Develop Existing Resources (sustainability)**(1 dot)**
- Regional Player (sustainability) **(1 dot)**
- Public Safety **(1 dot)**

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## **By Topic N=505**

### **Neighborhood Issues (37 dots)**

- “Complete” neighborhoods (with centers) **(26 dots)**
- Neighborhood Connectivity **(11 dots)**

### **Pedestrian/ Bicycle (92 dots)**

- Connectivity & walkability (Downtown) **(27 dots)**
- Make streets vibrant, active & interesting (Downtown) **(23 dots)**
- Put pedestrians first/affect public policy **(16 dots)**
- Strong emphasis on bicycle, secure storage. Secure bike parking. **(7dots)**

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- Complete Green Streets as a public resource **(6 dots)**
- Pedestrian/Bicyclist Connectivity (city-wide) **(5 dots)**
- Pedestrian and bicycle safety; safe bike routes to the center of Hartford **(5 dots)**
- Pedestrian friendly streets/sidewalks/ walkable city **(3 dots)**

## **Transit (35 dots)**

- Buses/Trolley/Shuttle (Downtown) **(13 dots)**
- Connecting to colleges (Downtown) **(10 dots)**
- Build on our great existing rail beds to improve mass transit, e.g. light rail, high speed rail, other **(5 dots)**
- Improve Transit Network (city-wide) **(8 dots)**
- People-friendly Mass Transit **(2 dots)**
- Small forms of transportation/new transportation network **(2 dots)**

## **Automobiles/Parking (36 dots)**

- Reduce automobile reliance **(29 dots)**
- Parking enforcement, revise parking regulations **(5 dots)**
- Reduce parking incentives/ provide alternatives **(2 dots)**

## **Economic Development & Entertainment (55 dots)**

- Improve business climate/targeted tax incentives (Downtown) **(18 dots)**
- Retail – more good mixed big stores, small stores and expanded hours (Downtown) **(16 dots)**
- Economic Development- capture entrepreneurial energy **(8 dots)**
- Family-Friendly(Downtown) **(7 dots)**
- Art and cultural activities – coffee shops, events (Downtown) **(6 dots)**

## **Sustainability (62 dots)**

- Establish a Green renovation Blueprint for vacant and underused buildings and surface parking lots **(15 dots)**
- Environmental Education **(13 dots)**
- Eliminate barriers to sustainability (zoning, tax code, etc) **(9 dots)**
- Public policy supports sustainability principals **(8 dot)**
- Education & personal habit changes (sustainability) **(6 dots)**
- Becoming the Energy Efficient Capital- apply financial and intellectual capital **(3 dot)**
- Make sure science informs the plan (climate change) **(3 dots)**
- Incentivize the green roof program **(1 dot)**
- Integrating the Environment & Human Health **(1 dot)**
- Waste management and recycling **(1 dot)**
- Regional Player (sustainability) **(1 dot)**
- Develop Existing Resources (sustainability)**(1 dot)**

## **Parks & OS (32 dots)**

- Stewardship program to maintain parks **(20 Dots)**
- Green Infrastructure/Comprehensive urban forestry plan **(5 dots)**
- Integrate green spaces and parks; Elevate concept of nature in City living **(3 dots)**

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- Involve corporations/volunteers & utilize existing resources & organizations (like Knox Park) **(3 dots)**
- Uncover the Park River and make more accessible **(1 dot)**

## Land Use/Urban Design **(55 dots)**

- Create a Multi-Modal Transportation Center at Union Station **(17 dots)**
- Strengthen Architectural Preservation Program **(11 dots)**
- Filling in the gaps in the streetscapes and surface parking lots **(10 Dots)**
- Transform surface parking lots(Downtown) **(8 dots)**
- Live near where you work **(6 dots)**
- Maximize use of land to connect to transportation and create economic development **(3 dots)**

## Housing **(11 dots)**

- Housing – more diverse for everyone, mixed income (Downtown) **(6 dots)**
- Sustained maintenance (residential ownership) **(5 dots)**

## General Implementation **(39 dots)**

- Commitment to Implementation **(9 dots)**
- Undo stupid stuff **(9 dots)**
- Revise Zoning (plain English, form-based) **(5 dots)**
- Politics/Coalition **(5 dots)**
- Regionalism in addressing problems & in transportation **(5 dots)**
- Low Hanging Fruit/Short Term Priorities **(3 dots)**
- Community Ownership/Involvement/Empowerment **(2 dots)**
- Include NHDS & NHD plans, city partnership **(1 dot)**

## Other Programs **(51 dots)**

- Civic Education **(17 dots)**
- Public Safety **(16 dots)**
- A Bold Symbolic Project (Downtown) **(9 dots)**
- Marketing (Downtown) **(8 dots)**
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