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MEMORANDUM

To: Branford Vision Committee
From: Glenn Chalder, AICP
Date: July 5, 2007
Subject: **Proud / Sorry Results**

The Branford Vision Committee held community meetings at the High School on June 20 and June 27 to involve residents in formulating a vision for Branford.

One of the exercises which was run asked residents to identify things in Branford which made them proud or sorry.

This memorandum summarizes the results of those meeting exercises.

Placing Dots



Group Discussion



Where People Lived

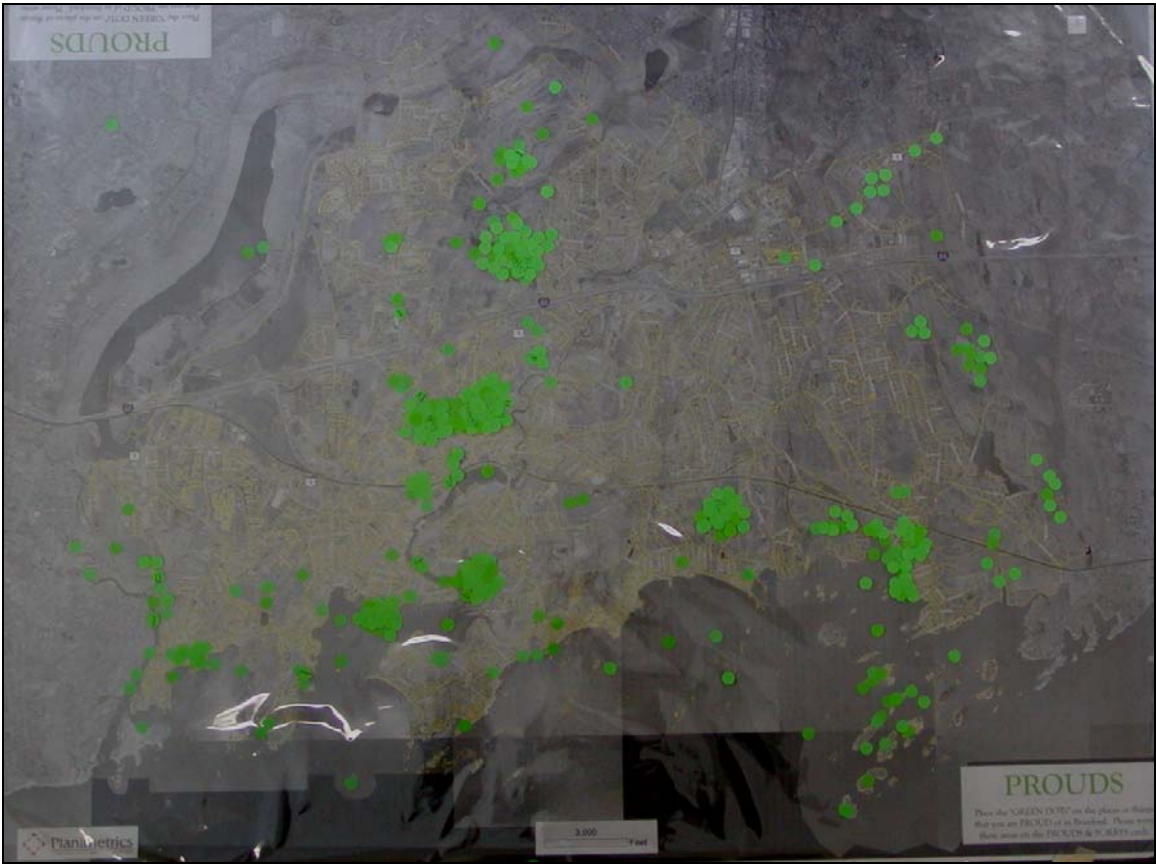
People were asked to place a blue dot on where they lived. The following picture indicates that the meetings had participation from many parts of Branford and the meetings were not dominated by people from one area.



“Prouds” Exercise

Residents were asked to write on a card (and identify on a map) the things they were proud of in Branford.

Theme	Votes	Items
Open Space	140	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General • Foote Park • Supply ponds • Trails
Community Facilities	90	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Library • Schools • Recreation
Town Center / Green	81	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General
Coastal Resources	72	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shoreline • Thimble Islands • Branford Point / Beach
Neighborhoods	28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stony Creek • Pine Orchard • Short Beach
Transportation	16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Railroad station
Community Character	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall Feeling • Community Events
Business Development	11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retail / Restaurant Selection
Natural Resources	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General
Historic Resources	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General
Residential Development	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General
Utilities	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General



“Sorrys” Exercise

Residents were asked to write on a card (and identify on a map) the things they were sorry about in Branford.

Theme	Votes	Items
Transportation	128	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exit 53 / “Pretzel” • Congestion • Branford Hill
Business Development	104	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Route 1 / Branford Hill • Wal-mart • Exit 53 / Exit 56
Residential Development	71	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Condominium over-development • Over-building • Trailer parks
Community Facilities	28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Middle School • Landfill
Community Character	14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of design controls • Litter • Signage
Coastal Resources	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of coastal access
Open Space	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supply Pond
Town Center / Green	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overuse
Neighborhoods	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General
Natural Resources	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Filling • Forest Loss
Historic Resources	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lack of interest
Utilities	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General

