



WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT

Update

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Letter from the Chair

While CWDAC meetings have been a bit less frequent than usual, much is being accomplished toward completion of design coordination and permitting. This intensive review of the plans and details of the full development of the waterfront will ensure that the finished product meets all of the applicable guidelines and standards.



Cathartes, responsible for the private portion of the development, has been working closely with the Planning Board Technical Review Committee to address technical comments from the various City departments before continuing to the Planning Board for site plan review. Concurrently, the City has been working with its consultants and the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services to secure the permits for shoreline stabilization and docks along the Cochecho River, environmentally sound treatment of stormwater, and remediation of any remaining contamination on the site that is encountered during construction.

As we grow closer to commencement of construction on the site, hopefully this summer, CWDAC and the Arts Commission are already planning for artwork amenities that will provide the finishing touches to the park. This community park will be the jewel of our downtown!

Much work lies ahead, but the members of CWDAC are looking forward to some big changes in the near future. Stay tuned!

Norm Fracassa, Chair

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The waterfront, as seen this week from Washington Street.

Groundbreaking ceremony for Waterfront project is Tuesday, June 20

The city will host a groundbreaking ceremony at the city-owned waterfront site on River Street on Tuesday, June 20, at 5:30 p.m., and the public is invited to attend.

The ceremony marks the construction phase, decades in the making. The first part of the construction is public improvements, which form a significant part of this project, from constructing a new street system for site access to establishing necessary utilities for the upcoming buildings. A new 3.4-acre public riverfront park, shoreline stabilization, site grading to account for projected sea-level rise, and a new stormwater management system with green infrastructure are also part of the project.

The project also includes a private development component led by developer Cathartes, which is expected to begin next year once some of the public improvements are complete. The development plan includes three mixed-use buildings, two multi-family buildings, and three clusters of townhouses.

Approved by the Planning Board in June 2022, the development aims to revitalize the Dover waterfront and introduce approximately 26,000 square feet of commercial space and 418 residential units, comprising both rental and condominium units for sale.

The waterfront development project, which has been in the planning stages for years, took a significant step forward with the approval of the city's public improvements plan and Cathartes' site plan last year.

CWDAC meets next on Sept. 26

The Cochecho Waterfront Development Advisory Committee will meet next on **Tuesday**,

Sept. 26, at 5:30 p.m. in Room 305 at the McConnell Center.

The agenda, once confirmed, will be posted on the city's calendar of [upcoming meetings here](#).

Missed the last meeting? Watch it online now

The Cochecho Waterfront Development Advisory Committee last met on Tuesday, May 2, 2023.

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