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of Redevelopment Readiness Techniques

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Abstract

The Land Use Law Center created this checklist to assess a municipality's readiness for redevelopment. The checklist contains questions intended to determine what redevelopment strategies a municipality has in place or will be able to implement. The diagnostic checklist assesses readiness in nine areas, including financial incentives and community support. The information obtained using this diagnostic checklist can be used to tailor redevelopment strategies to a municipality's needs.

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DIAGNOSTIC CHECKLIST OF REDEVELOPMENT READINESS TECHNIQUES		
	Municipality:	
	Date:	
	Staff Interviewed:	
Land U	se Plan	
	Is your municipality currently undergoing a comprehensive plan update? If not, when was your current comprehensive plan adopted?	
	Does the plan have a strong economic development component?	
	Does your comprehensive plan include an implementation plan for the economic development elements?	
Target	Area Plans	
	Has your community identified target areas with economic potential where it will prioritize the use of its resources?	
	If your community has a waterfront, does it have an approved Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan (LWRP)?	
	Has your municipality adopted a detailed target area master plan?	
	Have you completed a Generic Environmental Impact Statement on that plan?	
Land U	se Regulations	
	Has your municipality updated its zoning to conform to the current comprehensive plan?	
	Has your municipality updated its zoning to conform to the current LWRP or other adopted target area plans (see above)?	
Traine	d Land Use Boards	
	Does your community have a formal policy for board member training in compliance with New York State law?	
	Does it have special training needs? If so, what are they?	
	Have the members of local land use boards been trained?	
	Do they know the rules for approvals, public participation, and ethics?	
	Has your municipality created a tracking system that logs training needed for individual board members and training that has been completed?	

Has your municipality created a clear road map for project approvals? Does your municipality have a central permit information desk / one-stop permitting? Has your municipality made procedural changes to streamline its project review and approval process? If so, what are those procedural changes? (For example: Holding pre-application workshops with applicants, allowing more objective decisions to be handled administratively, providing training programs for public and appointed officials, training local boards, allowing for concurrent reviews whenever possible, etc.) Quasi-public Corporations (a) Does your municipality have any of the following agencies? (b) If no, which do you want to know more about? (c) If yes, are they in compliance with state law performance standards? (a)Have? (b) Want info? (c) Compliance? An urban renewal agency GalHave? (b) Want info? (c) Compliance? An urban renewal agency Industrial development agency Decal development corporation Private housing finance law company Non-profit housing corporations Decal economic development corporation Decal economic development district(s) Special taxing districts Special taxing districts Special taxing districts Special taxing districts Tax-exempt financing Help in securing tax credits Low income housing Historic preservation Explore option of fee – small developers pay fee to come to community Other: Market Strategy Decempent agency Decempent projective Decempent Dece	Streamli	ned Review and Approval Process
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☐ Does it have a method of marketing individual neighborhoods and projects?		

Community Support

Does your municipality use any of the following processes to obtain community support?		
	Identification of key stakeholders	
	Intense involvement of stakeholders in plan and regulation development	
	Target community meetings for residents	
	Visioning charrettes	
	Establishment of interactive web-site	
	Does the community use these mechanisms to gain support for individual	
	projects?	
	Feature stories in local newspapers, local TV stations, local radio stations, etc.	
	about redevelopment plans and progress and inform public of	
	hearings/meetings	
	Send email updates to local officials on progress	
	Other:	