

Nashua Strong Towns

General meeting #4

Holiday quiet period

- Hope you all had a nice holiday!
- Ready to do more advocacy in the new year!



Updates

Asphalt plant updates

Delayed until February

- Official date of Planning Board meeting is February 16



Meet with the mayor

Towns halls through March

- Get some questions about walkability on the record!
- Ideally we have folks from every ward asking *some* question about walkability
- Official dates found below



Official [nashua.gov](https://www.nashua.gov) Civic Engage site



JIM DONCHESS
Mayor of Nashua

2023 WARD TOWN HALLS

WITH MAYOR DONCHESS

6 PM WEDNESDAYS

JANUARY 4 -- MARCH 8

DISCUSSION & INSIGHT
Come listen and ask questions with Mayor Jim Donchess, as he talks about your specific Ward and its needs and concerns.

WARD 1: JAN 4, BROAD STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 390 BROAD ST.
WARD 2: JAN 11, CHARLOTTE AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 48 CHARLOTTE AVE.
WARD 4: JAN 25, LEDGE STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 139 LEDGE ST.
WARD 5: FEB 1, MAIN DUNSTABLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 20 WHITFORD ROAD
WARD 6: FEB 8, FAIRGROUNDS MIDDLE SCHOOL, 27 CLEVELAND ST.
WARD 7: FEB 15, DR. NORMAND CRISP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 50 ARLINGTON ST.
WARD 8: FEB 22, BICENTENNIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 296 EAST DUNSTABLE ROAD
WARD 3: MAR 1, AMHERST STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 71 AMHERST ST.
WARD 9: MAR 8, NEW SEARLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 39 SHADY LANE

NTS reduced service

- Cited current labor shortage
- Updates (M-F):
 - No route 2
 - No route 3
 - No route 5
- Hugely reduced Saturday service

ATTENTION RIDERS

TEMPORARY SERVICE REDUCTIONS



To provide more reliable service, the Nashua Transit System will be temporarily suspending certain routes until March 27, 2023.

Call (603) 880-0100 or visit [RideBigBlue.com](https://www.ridebigblue.com) for more details.

Monday - Friday (Effective 1/23)


- **NO ROUTE 2**
- **NO ROUTE 3**
- **NO ROUTE 5**
- **NO CENTRAL ROUTE**
- **NO ON-DEMAND VAN**

Saturdays (Effective 1/28)

- **ALL SERVICE CHANGED**
- **NEW LIMITED SATURDAY ROUTES**

Commuter Rail updates

- HB110 could squelch commuter rail funding
- To help, either:
 - Email the committee here: HousePublicWorksandHighways@leg.state.nh.us
 - Testify in person this Friday, February 3 at 11:45AM at the Legislative Office Building
- Will provide greater detail in followup email

 shared a link. Admin · 2h · 🌐 ⋮

ACTION ITEM from @NHBiz4Rail . com:

House Bill 110 would thwart the will of the overwhelming majority of New Hampshire citizens and squander a once-in-a-lifetime economic development opportunity for the state. It is an unnecessary, preemptive bill that isn't ready for prime time. It presumes that the state should invest *zero dollars* in an infrastructure project before data is available to make an informed decision.

Let the NH House Public Works & Highways Committee know that they should VOTE NO on HB 110.

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Let the committee know that HB 110 should be rejected.

As a reminder, the New Hampshire Department of Transportation's work on an in-depth analysis for rail expansion is well underway – and the initial findings are promising. This is the blueprint that will give legislators hard data, including a financial model, engineering, and environmental analysis.

Rail expansion from Boston to Nashua and Manchester would generate more than 668,000 weekday riders resulting in the following substantial economic benefits:

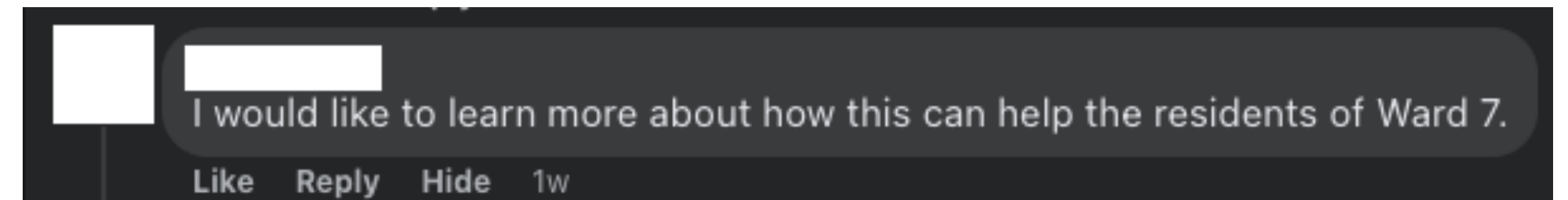
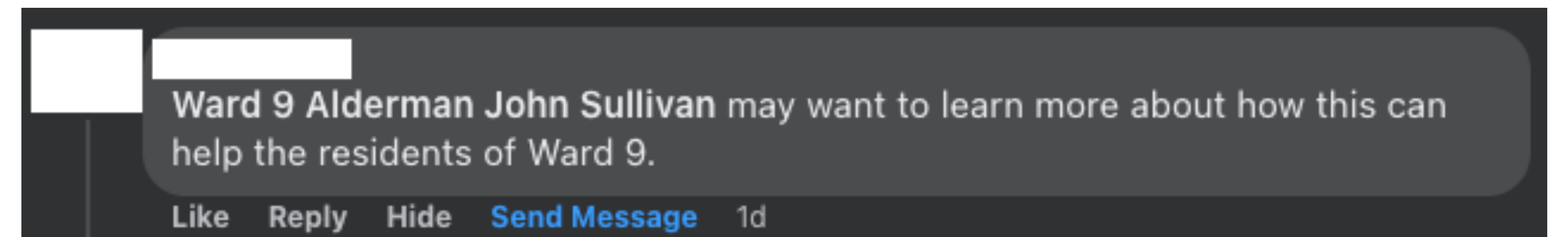
- 5,600 permanent jobs
- 3,400 construction jobs to build the real estate development triggered by rail
- 1,700 new jobs every year beginning in 2030
- 3,600 residential units to support new workers
- 1.9 million square feet of commercial real estate as a by-product of rail expansion
- \$750 million in real estate investment
- \$220 million in reinvested worker earnings added to the economy

Crafting ward statements

Preparing for meetings

More opportunities you may expect!

- Raised the question: How can each ward benefit from Strong Towns?
- Should have statements for *each* ward
- Ideally made from folks in each ward



Conciseness is difficult

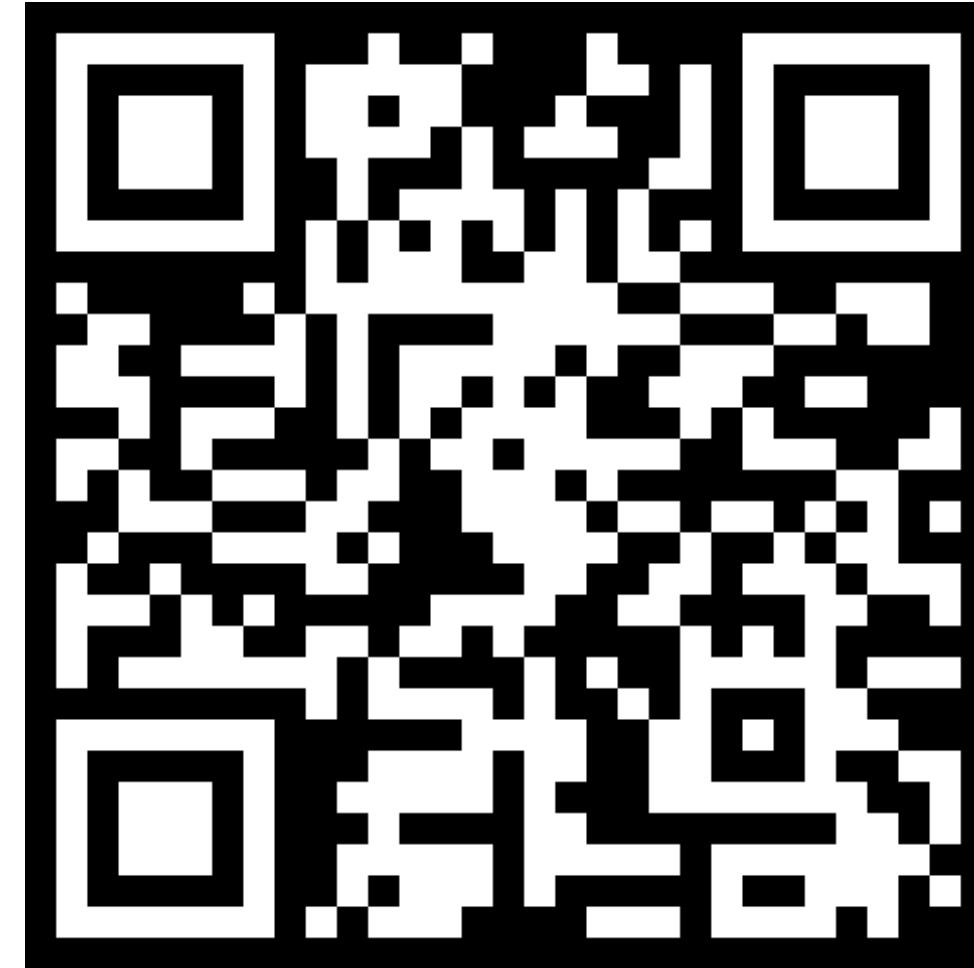
Can be tough to explain in just a few sentences: Why and How



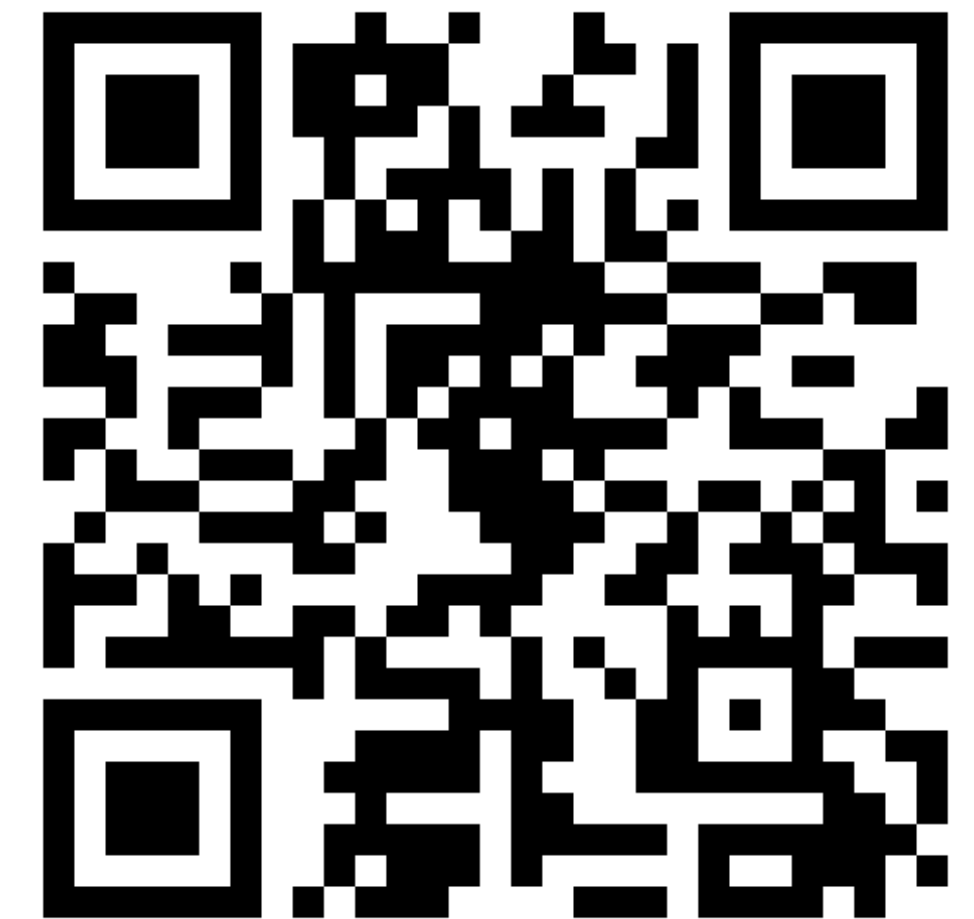
Let's get writing!

Selling Strong Towns to your ward

- Ideally no more than 5ish “short” sentences
- Something you could say in person or over email to pique interest
- Customized for where each ward needs to go
- Recommended includes: walkability, sustainability, strong tax base



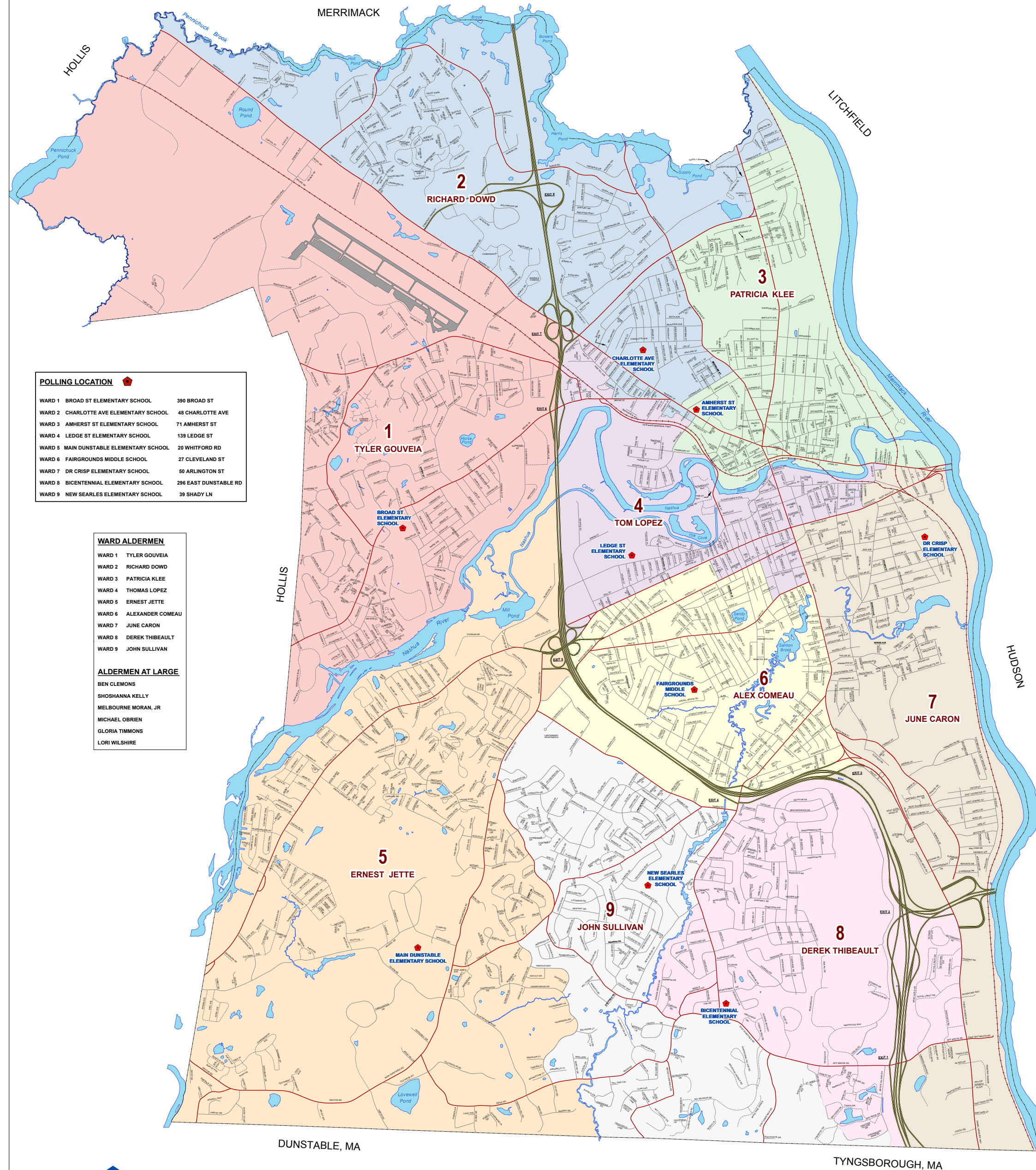
Ward 7 sample



Ward 9 sample

WARD MAP

CITY OF NASHUA



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WARD ALDERMEN

WARD 1	TYLER GOUVEIA
WARD 2	RICHARD DOWD
WARD 3	PATRICIA KLEE
WARD 4	THOMAS LOPEZ
WARD 5	ERNEST JETTE
WARD 6	ALEXANDER COMEAU
WARD 7	JUNE CARON
WARD 8	DEREK THIBEAULT
WARD 9	JOHN SULLIVAN

ALDERMEN AT LARGE

BEN CLEMENS
SHOSHANNA KELLY
MELBOURNE MORAN, JR
MICHAEL O'BRIEN
GLORIA TIMMONS
LORI WILSHIRE