Summary of Community Feedback

• How can we make it easier for people to move in and around the Town of Kensington?
  o Desire for walkable, safe streets
  o Less (slower) traffic
  o Safe environment for bicyclists
  o Extra parking capacity
  o Complete streets and better engagement with State Highway Administration
  o Greater accessibility for all residents (including young families and seniors)

• What Community Benefits would you like to see with new development within the Town of Kensington?
  o Greener development and more community green space
  o Areas for community to gather
  o Development that fits and melds with the current vernacular architecture and style of the neighborhood
  o Additional bike lanes and sidewalk buffers to protect individuals who are walking/biking (specifically at Connecticut and Knowles)

• What Design Elements are the most important to focus on with new development?
  o Design that suits/fits the current design of the area
    ▪ Complementary design and development
    ▪ Lower building heights
    ▪ Greater building set-back to include a landscaping buffer
    ▪ Design to account for traffic issues
  o Parking for emergency responders, especially near Knowles Manor
  o Utilize sector plan to implement historic preservation
  o Avoid displacement of local residents
    ▪ Preserve existing affordable housing

• How can the Town and the Planning Department better communicate regarding development with residents?
  o Monthly newsletters that are distributed to residents
  o Canvass neighborhoods
    ▪ Have a “block captain” that is responsible for getting out word to their local neighbors
    ▪ Use door to door flyers for canvassing efforts
  o Utilize local businesses to spread word
  o Engage with broader Kensington area and neighbors

• How can the Town proactively attract the right type of development?
  o Engage with local businesses and residents to identify potential development opportunities
  o Utilize/hire a dedicated economic outreach individual/organization to find new businesses that could locate/relocate to Kensington

• What other aspects of the Development Review and Planning Process would you like to learn more about?
  o Greater understanding around planning and development review process
  o Understanding of when traffic studies are required