### Southern Vermont Economy Project 2.0

Local Issues: Long Term Municipal Impacts of COVID-19

#### Local Economic & Community Development

# Facilitating Economic Development in Villages and Downtowns

#### What is Economic Development?



#### Definition

Economic development is the **sustained actions** of policy makers and communities that promote the standard of living and economic health of a community **in addition to economic growth.** 

# Goals of economic development

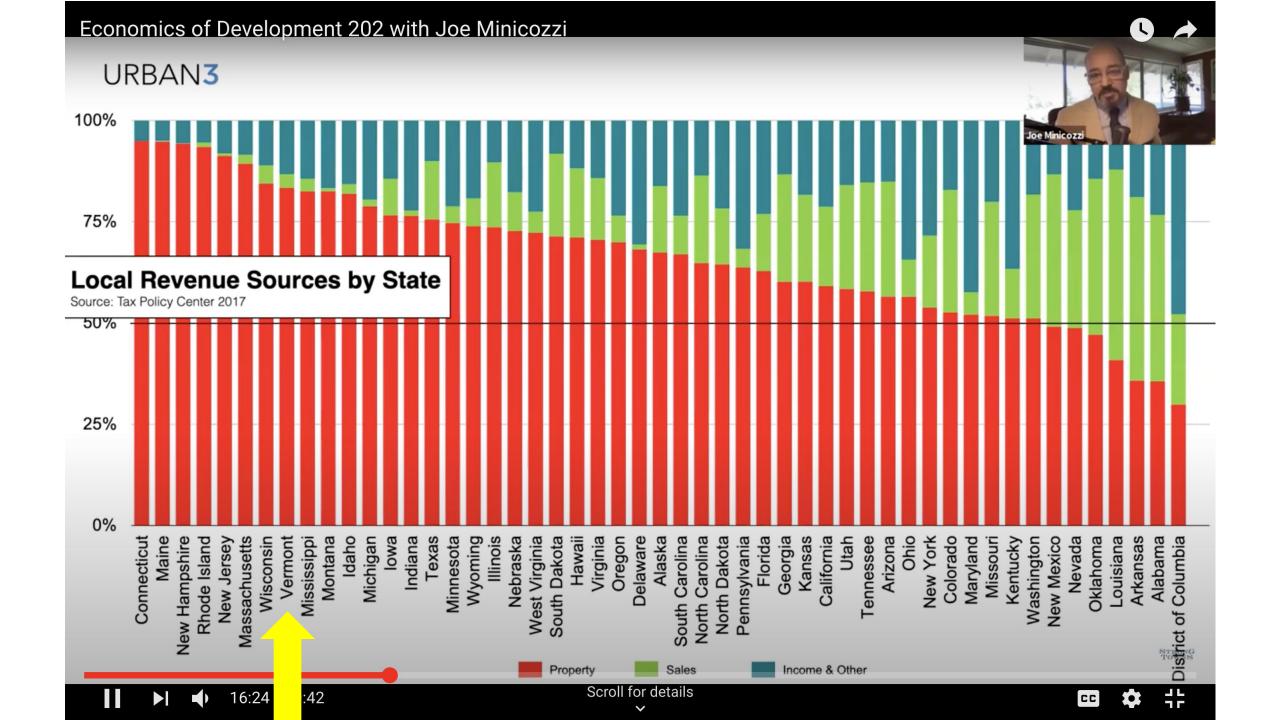
- More and better-paying jobs
- Growing tax base
- Reduction of poverty
- More stable and diversified economic base
- Improved public services

## economic development should be integrated with:

- Municipal Plan
- Land Use regulations
- Local Capital Improvements Program

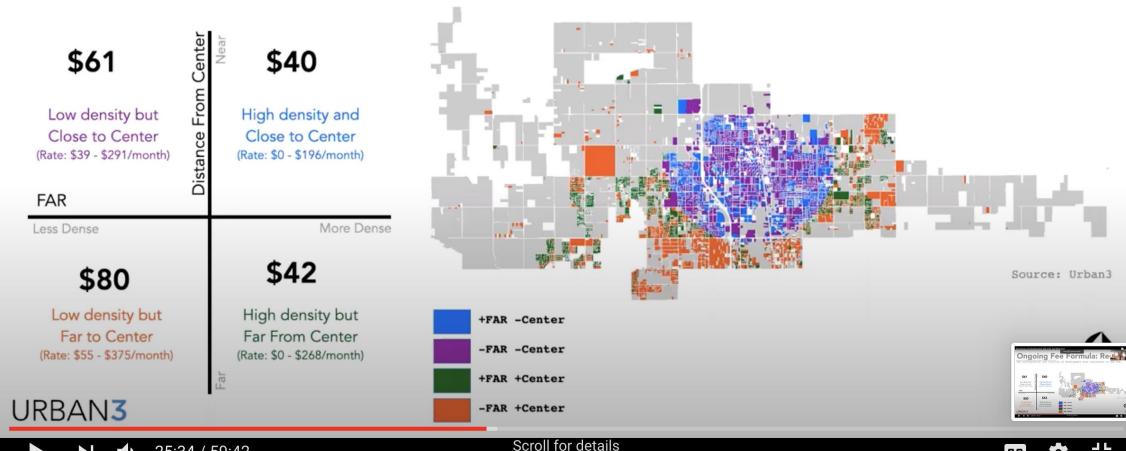


#### Minicozzi Excerpts



### Ongoing Fee Formula: Re

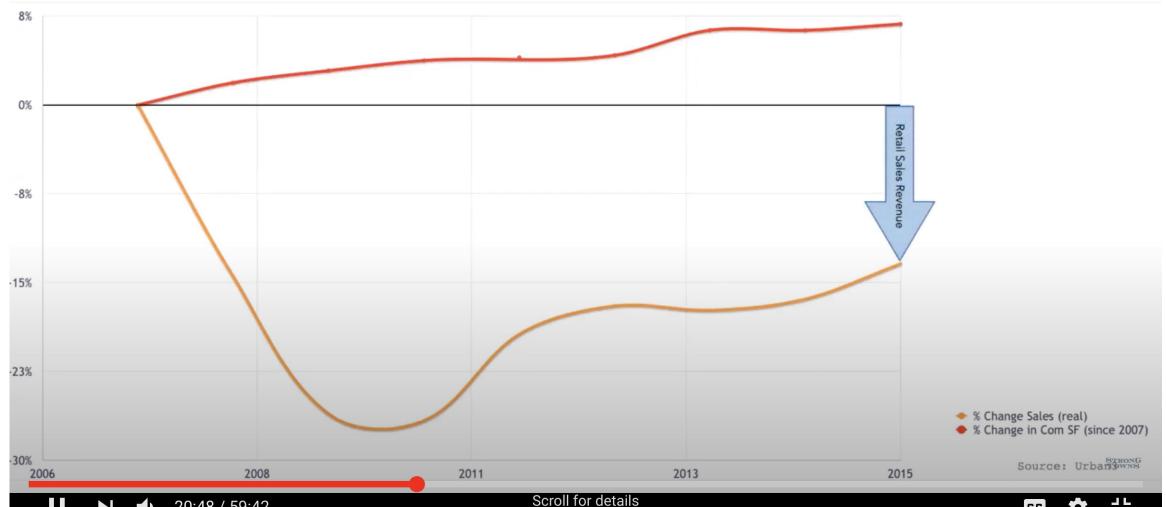
The configuration and location of development both contribute to the fee.





#### Retail Sector Analysis

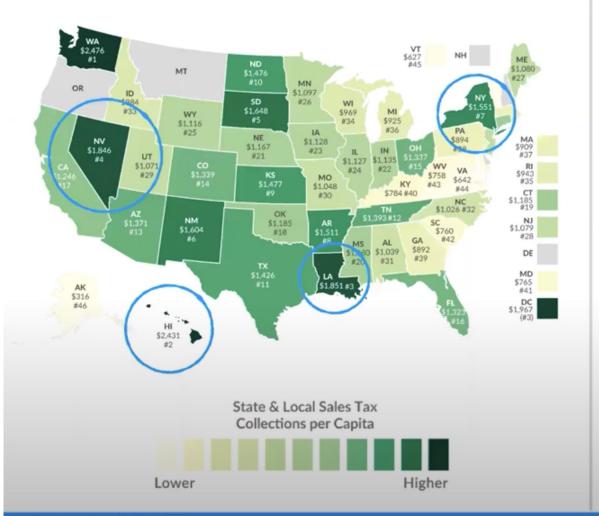
Retail sales against square footage growth



#### State Budget Impact

#### How Much Does Your State Collect in Sales Taxes Per Capita?

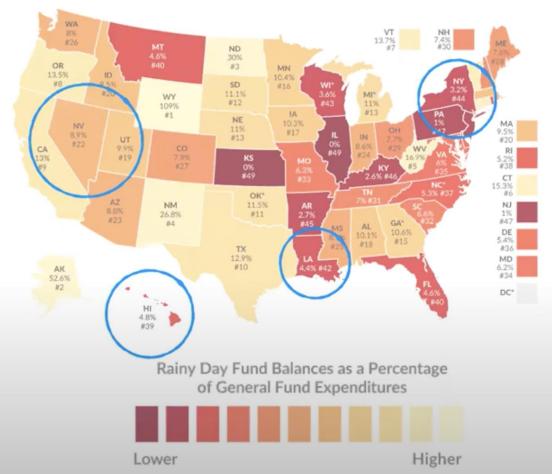
State and Local General Sales Tax Collections per Capita, FY 2017



#### How Healthy Is Your State's Rainy Day Fu

Rainy Day Fund Balances as a Percentage of General





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> Note: Beginning in Fiscal 2018, NASBO asked states reporting net mid-year budget reductions whether the reductions were made due, at least in part, to a revenue shortfall. Effective in FY2018 going forward, only states reporting mid-year budget cuts due to a revenue shortfall are included in the totals reported in this figure. Prior to FY2018, particularly in non-recessionary periods, states that reported mid-year cuts that were due to other reasons, such as a reduction in caseload, would have been included in the counts above.

## Maintaining Momentum: Local Community and Economic Development

- Are your projects ready to "hit the ground running" as conditions allow?
- Are you and your team taking care of yourselves to avoid burnout?
- Have you identified gaps between any new needs, and resources you can be sure of?
- Have you thought about different scenarios in terms of crisis duration or resurgence?
- Do you have a "resiliency plan" for specific personnel being affected?
- What would Total Recovery look like locally?
- What are some new opportunities or perspectives?