

Goal: To Promote Quality of Life in the Community

1. Maintain Jamestown's "Rural Character "

- A. Define rural character and Jamestown's unique character and sense of place;*
- B. Encourage preservation of open space on individual lots and small subdivisions;*
- C. Develop a strategy for the protection of vistas, views, and open space including landscape elements that evoke rural character;*
- D. Develop a policy regarding preservation of historic structures;*
- E. Support initiatives that encourage farming, sustainable agriculture, fishing and aquaculture;*
- F. Continue to support Farmers Market and Community Farm;*
- G. Develop a strategy for road marking, signage and lighting that reduces visual clutter; and*
- H. Support the development of trails, walks, habitat restoration and programs that support resident's awareness and knowledge of the natural world around them.*

2. Protect Natural Resources

- A. Continue to protect the center island watershed;*
- B. Support community efforts towards habitat restoration, resource protection;*
- C. Implement measures to address poor water quality in Sheffield Cove;*
- D. Continue to update and revise the Ground Water Ordinance;*
- E. Continue to purchase environmentally sensitive tax lots in the Shores neighborhood;*
- F. Continue with the ongoing efforts to improve the health and condition of Round Marsh; and*
- G. Continue efforts in wildlife management suggested by Tick Task force.*

3. Promote Public Access to the Water, Water-based Activities and Use of Jamestown's Natural Resources

- A. Develop stable funding mechanism and clear line of responsibility for maintenance of Public Right of Ways to the water;*
- B. Improve restroom facilities and parking accommodations at Mackerel Cove and Fort Getty;*
- C. Continue improvements to the Pier, Ramp, Boat Storage and Water Access at Fort Getty;*
- D. Refresh long-term plans for Fort Getty and Fort Wetherill in assessing future improvement and development options for each property;*
- E. Review the parking design at East Ferry and plans for rehabilitating the East Ferry-Ferry Landing;*
- F. Provide support for all community appropriate sailing, fishing, and marine-based activities; and*
- G. Complete components of bike path improvements and continue to assess options for integration of pedestrian/bicycle paths and trails connecting key areas within the community.*

4. Recognize the Importance of the Village as the Town Center, the Focal Point for Most Community Activities

- A. Encourage economic development, especially in prime and undeveloped properties to achieve suitable commercial and retail growth, with emphasis on the Town Center and waterfront;*
- B. Continue to work with Newport County Communities, Washington County Regional Planning Council and local organizations (i.e. Chambers of Commerce) to develop strategies to encourage investment and business sustainability in the village;*
- C. Ensure that future development and renovation in the village maintains small scale and "walkable" character, while supporting businesses and investment that will encourage residents' and visitors use;*
- D. Provide improved customer and employee parking in the village;*

- E. *Develop a policy regarding preservation of historic structures in Village;*
- F. *Support the development of a Community Center, with the support and for the benefit of community organizations and residents;*
- G. *Complete the planning, design and construction of consolidated Fire/EMS station; and*
- H. *Coordinate planning, design and capital campaign activities with the Town's Library Board in guiding plans for future building improvements and the establishment of a Library endowment.*

5. Support Cultural, Civic and Recreational Opportunities that Promote a Sense of Community

- A. *Implement an improved Parks & Recreation program based on resident need and ongoing community assessment;*
- B. *Provide expanded, accessible and diversified program offerings for Jamestown's seniors;*
- C. *Continue to maintain a strong partnership with the Jamestown Schools;*
- D. *Review the need for additional community space, condition and quality of space, and long-term funding options for improvements;*
- E. *Complete the planning, design and refurbishment of PAC facility as a potential new recreation center, subject to voter approval;*
- F. *Support the development of a Community Center, with the support and for the benefit of community organizations and residents;*
- G. *Coordinate planning, design and capital campaign activities with the Town's Library Board of Trustees in guiding plans for future building improvements and the establishment of a Library endowment;*
- H. *Coordinate planning for the replacement of the Town's playground with proposed library improvements, safe routes to school and neighborhood;*
- I. *Complete the 90% design phase and secure approval to initiate the implementation of the Safe Routes to School program;*
- J. *Complete components of bike path improvements and assess options for integration of pedestrian/bicycle paths and trails connecting key areas within the community;*
- K. *Review the need for a new Golf Course Clubhouse project and related facility needs;*
- L. *Acknowledge and support social and cultural organizations in the allocation of town spaces (meeting rooms) and services (security for events); and*
- M. *Complete Fort Getty Pavilion improvements.*

6. Promote a Sustainable Jamestown

- A. *Adopt Sustainable Jamestown Plan that supports community goals;*
- B. *Support initiatives that encourage farming, sustainable agriculture, fishing and aquaculture;*
- C. *Ensure that future development and renovation in the village maintains small scale and "walkable" character, while supporting businesses and investment that will encourage residents' and visitors use;*
- D. *Promote the use of green technologies and energy conservation;*
 1. *Research grant opportunities to support town-wide energy conservation measures and energy-based facility improvements; and*
 2. *Take part in initiative to improve energy efficiency of Town street lights, while curbing light pollution and improving traffic safety.*

7. Ensure Housing Affordability and Provide a Range of Housing Choices for Residents

- A. *Develop, renovate or restore units of affordable housing by promoting affordable accessory apartments and existing opportunities to subdivide lots for affordable housing purposes;*
- B. *Develop new strategies to buy “development rights “ for existing homes, allowing current residents to age in place;*
- C. *Encourage the development of an Affordable Housing Trust that could include private donations;*
- D. *Support the development of additional affordable housing units;*
 - 1. *Review strategies for creating or subsidizing work-force housing for Town employees;*
 - 2. *Research additional funding sources to support housing initiatives;*
 - 3. *Complete Rules and Regulations for Affordable Housing Revolving Fund project eligibility; and*
 - 4. *Continue to provide stable and consistent annual grant funding for housing programs; and*
- E. *Foster and expand partnership opportunities with Housing Agencies seeking to build-out projects;*
 - 1. *Educate the community as to the importance of this initiative, the existing Affordable Housing Funding Programs and the efforts of the Affordable Housing Committee;*

8. Senior Citizen Programming and Services

- A. *Ensure Senior Citizen program, facility, transportation and funding needs are being met.*

Goal: Ensure Effective and Accountable Town Government

1. Improve Access to Local Government

- A. *Improve services provided by the Town’s web site;*
 - 1. *Enable on-line application process and payments;*
- B. *Encourage both internal and external public engagement and pursue cooperative relationships with various local, state and regional organizations;*
- C. *Continue to foster volunteer initiatives and seek increased public participation; and*
- D. *Maximize use of local media, internet, and Town’s web site to improve public access to information.*

2. Maintain the Town’s Remarkable Sense of Fiscal Responsibility

- A. *Strive for financial stability and sustainability in the Town’s Enterprise Fund programs;*
- B. *Continue to pursue cost recovery and revenue generating strategies in the Water & Sewer Division to provide for rate stabilization;*
- C. *Maintain open communication with the School Committee/Administration to allow for coordinated approach in achieving transparent financial management practices;*
- D. *Implement a Capital Budget year closeout process for projects to assess the need for project continuation;*
- E. *Ensure a clear process and stable funding source to support Town waterfront improvements;*
- F. *Streamline the local government process, by improving efficiency through prioritization of resource allocation, and continual review of unfunded mandates; and*
- G. *Continue to maintain a favorable bond rating; and*
- H. *Develop a consistent and equitable fee policy and rate structure for outside organizations when public safety details are required.*

3. Maintain and Improve Town Infrastructure

- A. *Continue to support the Towns Pavement Management Program;*
 - 1. *Complete the drainage and road reconstruction of North Main Road in accordance with the Towns Pavement Management Plan;*
- B. *Complete planning, design and construction of consolidated Fire/EMS station;*
- C. *Complete the planning, design and refurbishment of PAC facility as a potential new recreation center, subject to voter approval;*
- D. *Review the need for additional community space, condition and quality of space, and long-term funding options for improvements;*
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- H. *Complete Fort Getty Pavilion improvements;*
- I. *Complete components of bike path improvements and assess options for integration of pedestrian/bicycle paths and trails connecting key areas within the community;*
- J. *Continue to study the need for a new Golf Course Clubhouse and equipment storage facility, design, funding, lease solicitation and program implementation schedule;*
- K. *Perform evaluation of existing Town assets in assessing options for improvement, repurposing, or removal from Town asset list; and*
- L. *Refresh long-term plans for Fort Getty and Fort Wetherill in assessing future options for each property.*

4. Pursue Effective Local, State and Regional Partnerships

- A. *Schedule routine public discussions with our local State Legislative team to educate them as to local concerns and areas of interest;*
- B. *Research regional and statewide programs for financial opportunity;*
- C. *Research grant opportunities to support town-wide energy conservation measures and facility improvements;*
 - 1. *Take part in initiative to improve energy efficiency of Town street lights, curb light pollution and improve traffic safety.*
- D. *Adopt Sustainable Jamestown Plan;*
- E. *Continue to work with Newport County groups, Washington County Planning, Jamestown Chamber of Commerce and local organizations to develop data and strategies to encourage investment and business in village; and*
- F. *Support and work with community organizations in the development of trails, walks, habitat restoration and programs that support residents' awareness and knowledge of the natural environment.*

Goal: Ensure Public Health and Safety

1. Maintain an Effective and Responsive Community Policing Program

- A. *Ensure that all public safety officials become familiar with the community and establish a positive working relationship with its residents;*
 - 1. *Improve and diversify a visual presence throughout the community, the schools, the waterfront and at special community events; and*
 - 2. *Encourage community engagement with residents, local organizations, the schools, boaters and businesses by all Officials.*

2. Maintain a Safe and Secure Environment for Residents of all Ages

- A. *Provide improved town-wide emergency and alert communication through the use of the Code Red Notification System;*
- B. *Improve local systems to address community, school and Harbor needs during disaster events;*
 - 1. *Secure a portable generator for use at Town Hall and to support other critical government functions; and*
 - 2. *Expand the Town's fuel capacity to support emergency operations and community need, when necessary and available.*
- C. *Achieve Police Department Accreditation;*
- D. *Maintain active MOU's and ongoing communication with our neighboring communities, State Police and Turnpike and Bridge Authority; and*
- E. *Adopt policy regarding town surveillance cameras.*

3. Continue to Support Volunteer Fire Department and EMS Modernization and Improvements

- A. *Complete planning, design and construction of consolidated Fire/EMS station;*
- B. *Continue to monitor new ALS service and support EMS efforts to maintain and upgrade services;*
- C. *Evaluate future need for EMS Barn property and department facility placement in community; and*
- D. *Define and clarify a framework for the relationship between the Town and Fire Department/EMS.*

4. Support Water System Improvements

- A. *Continue to evaluate and improve water system infrastructure;*
- B. *Manage water supply to meet needs of all users; and*
- C. *Continue to research rate stabilization options.*

5. Support Continued Wastewater System Improvements

- A. *Continue to evaluate and improve wastewater system infrastructure;*
- B. *Monitor methods to limit excess wastewater flow to collection system; and*
- C. *Continue to research rate stabilization options.*

6. Maintain and Improve Town Roads and Facilities Used by the Public

- A. *Complete the 90% design phase and secure approval to initiate the implementation of the Safe Routes to School program;*

- B. Evaluate Village District pedestrian and bicycle safety features;*
- C. Complete the drainage and road reconstruction of North Main Road in accordance with the Towns Pavement Management Plan; and*
- D. Improve restroom facilities at Mackerel Cove and Fort Getty.*

7. Reduce Incidence of Tick Borne Disease

- A. Continue to pursue Lyme disease prevention strategies initiated by Tick Task Force and deer herd management under the process regulated by RIDEM.