

Chapter 9, Implementation

Implementation of the 2038 Comprehensive Plan, the final element of a comprehensive planning process, can take the form of the following:

- Carrying out the recommendations in the Plan for specific projects, including using the General Plan Map;
- Using the Plan as a guide to public and private decision-making on matters that relate to the development of the Town, e.g., a rezoning request or a capital expenditure;
- Reviewing and amending the Plan as changes in the demographics, the economy, and/or technology, etc. occur.

This chapter provides information on the Comprehensive Plan amendment/update process and its overall use by the Town of Liberty Grove. More specific information on various statutory powers, which the Town may use to implement the Year 2038 Comprehensive Plan, is also included in this chapter.

Role of the Plan

The Comprehensive Plan must be in conformance with land controls governing the Town. If a decision is made that is inconsistent with the Plan's goals, objectives, vision statement or General Plan Design, the Plan must be amended to include this change in policy before the decision can take effect. The drafters of this Plan recognize that there are situations that are so clearly and universally agreed upon to be within the public good that such a decision or decisions need not necessarily require amendment of the Plan in order to conform to it.

Role of Elected Officials

The elected officials must make their decisions from the standpoint of overall community welfare, tempered by site-specific factors. Elected officials must balance the recommendations made by plans and policies, the objectives of the applicant, the technical advice of staff, and the recommendations of advisory boards, with their own judgment.

Process for Updating the Plan

As directed by Wisconsin Statute (section 66.1001), any Plan Commission or other body of a local governmental unit authorized to prepare or amend a comprehensive plan may do so only by adopting a resolution by a majority vote of the entire commission (or governmental unit). This plan shall be amended/updated following Wisconsin Statute section 66.1001(4)(b) and the adopted written community procedures for fostering public participation.

Annual Work Plan Review

Each of the substantive chapters, i.e., Chapters 2 through 8, clearly set forth goals and objectives.

The goals established in this Plan will be implemented over a twenty year planning period beginning in 2017 and running through the year 2037. The goals represent priorities for land use management for the Town of Liberty Grove.

The objectives provide more detailed and readily measurable steps toward reaching each goal.

The following work plan has been developed to implement these goals and objectives:

Within two months of the Town's Annual Meeting, there shall be a public meeting to review The Plan's implementation. The Town's Annual Meeting generally takes place in April. The requirement calling for an Annual Implementation meeting within two months of the Annual Meeting takes into consideration the fact that many of the Town residents are seasonal, and two months after the Annual Meeting will result in many of the seasonal residents being able to attend should they choose to do so.

At this meeting shall be the entities responsible for each objective or representatives thereof, including, but not limited to the Town Board Supervisors, Board committees, and, when practicable, cooperating agencies. As is the case with the Town's Annual Meeting, members of the public will be encouraged to attend, and as part of the agenda, there shall be a portion of the meeting devoted to public input.

The product of such annual meetings shall be **action items**, when such items are necessary or relevant. These action items shall include recommendations of potential funding sources and a time period for implementation.

If **no** action item results from a review of a respective goal and objective, there shall be a statement written into the meeting minutes for each existing goal and objective thereunder as to why such goals and objectives have been postponed or otherwise not acted upon.

These action items shall become agenda items on the respective agendas of the Town Board, the entity responsible for implementing the vast majority of goals and objectives, or on the committees ultimately responsible to the Board.

Included in any implementation follow-up shall be communication with cooperating agencies which might not have had a representative who attended the Annual Implementation Meeting.

Chapter 9, Maps, Tables and Charts

