

SUMMARY OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOALS

The following is a list of the overall goals for each element of the Town of Gibraltar Comprehensive Plan. A detailed list of the goals, objectives, policies and programs for each element is included in each chapter and can be accessed by viewing the entire Comprehensive Plan (available on the website or in the Town office).

Below, goals from the Comprehensive Plan that could be achieved through the Redmann Property “Uptown Project” are highlighted in yellow.

Agricultural & Natural Resources

GOAL 1: The Town of Gibraltar's natural areas and resources: land, water and air as well as plant and animal life and habitat: are preserved, protected, conserved, restored, enhanced and maintained for future generations.

Objective 1.1: Preserve and protect all wetlands within the Town.

Objective 1.2: Preserve and protect the quality of ground and surface waters within the Town.

Objective 1.3: Protection and preservation of environmental corridors, (as defined on page 2-21 of the narrative) green space, forests, environmentally sensitive areas, endangered species, parks and wildlife habitat in the Town.

Objective 1.4: Preserve and improve the Town's air quality.

GOAL 2: Preservation and protection of the Town's unique rural character.

Objective 2.1: Promote development and activities that protect the Town's rural character.

Objective 2.2: Support land protection and conservation

Objective 2.3: Minimize and discourage light pollution and trespass while preserving the safety of Town residents and visitors. Refer to Cultural Resources Objective 1.2.

Objective 2.4: Preserve the rural character of the Town through the strict control of signage. Refer to Cultural Resources Objective 1.3.

Objective 2.5: Promote environmentally and aesthetically sound sources of infrastructure materials within the Town (i.e. sand, gravel and stone)

Objective 2.6: Minimize conflicting land uses.

GOAL 3: Sustain the Town's agricultural heritage and economy.

Objective 3.1: Promote the conservation of agricultural land within the Town and adjacent environs.

Cultural Resources

GOAL 1: Enhance the quality of life through the identification, preservation and protection of cultural resources that are significant for their cultural, scenic, historical, architectural, and archaeological value as an integral part of the Town of Gibraltar.

Objective 1.1 Ensure that these cultural resources are identified. (See binder information.)

Objective 1.2: Minimize and discourage light pollution and trespass while preserving the safety of Town residents and visitors.

Objective 1.3: Preserve the rural character of the Town through the strict control of signage.

GOAL 2: Identify, preserve and protect the cultural and historical resources throughout the Town.

Objective 2.1: Preserve the unique “Historical Character” of Fish Creek by developing an Historic District Plan.

Objective 2.2: Include preservation of cultural and historical resources as an integral part of the Town’s Economic Development Plan. (See Economic Development Plan)

GOAL 3: Protect and enhance the character, quality and livability of the community by identifying and preserving the historical environment, and cultural environment.

Objective 3.1: Increase awareness of historical resources, buildings and sites.

GOAL 4: Support the development of cultural resources within the Community.

Objective 4.1: Preserve and support Cultural Resources-art within the Community.

Objective 4.2: Promote and support community recreational activities.

GOAL 5: Preserve the natural and rural character of present and future cemeteries. (See Utilities and Community Facilities)

Population & Housing

GOAL 1: The Town of Gibraltar is a community in which people of diverse ages and economic backgrounds can attain housing.

Objective 1.1: Increase the supply of housing that is affordable to low- and moderate-income households.

Objective 1.2: Encourage the settlement of young people and their families in the Town of Gibraltar.

Objective 1.3: Promote the development of physical accessibility to accommodate the needs of the aging and mobility impaired population.

Objective 1.4: Work inter-governmentally to create and maintain a “one-stop resource center for social assistance including housing.

Objective 1.5: Promote housing for the elderly.

Economic Development

GOAL 1: The Town of Gibraltar promotes year around employment with a diverse mix of businesses that include existing, expanded and new businesses, while recognizing that tourism will continue to be an important part of the local economy.

Objective 1.1: Provide an adequate workforce.

Objective 1.2: Promote the Town of Gibraltar/Fish Creek and the local area as a viable location in which to live, work and purchase goods/services.

Objective 1.3: Recognize and support retention and creation of businesses that meet community needs.

Objective 1.4: Promote economic development that has little or no environmental impact.

Objective 1.5: Work with the business community to find ways of better meeting the needs of the general public.

Objective 1.6: Address community issues that relate to strengthening the local economy.

Transportation

GOAL 1: The Town of Gibraltar seeks to maximize a safe and efficient transportation system for motor vehicles, pedestrians, and bicycles that maintains the aesthetic essence of the community.

Objective 1.1: Develop a transportation system that is harmonious with surrounding land uses.

Objective 1.2: Assure that safety issues are addressed.

Objective 1.3: Provide for adequate traffic controls and convenient, efficient vehicular movement throughout the Town with emphasis on the STH 42 corridor.

Objective 1.4: Provide a safe system of multi-purpose trails.

Objective 1.5: Plan for and designate future road rights-of-way within the Town.

Objective 1.6: Support public transportation that considers the elderly and handicapped population.

Objective 1.7: Plan for and designate future parking for visitor and workforce use.

Utilities

GOAL 1: Provide and promote the development of utilities to service the community and protect the environment.

Objective 1.1: Preserve and protect the quality of ground and surface waters within the Town of Gibraltar.

Objective 1.2: Provide and promote utility services specific to electrical, television, telephone, internet pager and E-mail services and other emerging technologies consistent with the planned development of the Town for resident citizens and visitor populations.

Community Facilities

GOAL 1: The Town of Gibraltar preserves and maintains public facilities and plans for expansions and improvements.

Objective 1.1: Provide community facilities and services consistent with the growth of the Town.

Objective 1.2: Encourage the development of health and residential service facilities to include daycare to meet the emerging needs of the community.

Intergovernmental Cooperation

GOAL 1: Promote cooperation between the Town of Gibraltar and any other governmental agency that makes decisions impacting the Town.

Objective 1.1: Work with neighboring communities to discuss any unique natural features and other land uses which span municipal boundaries.

Objective 1.2: Explore the possibility of sharing municipal services, facilities, and programs with neighboring municipalities.

Objective 1.3: Work with surrounding municipalities to address possible boundary issues to minimize conflict.

Land Use

GOAL 1: The Town of Gibraltar will maintain a land use plan that reflects current community values and provides for future expansion that will meet the social and economic needs of the entire Town, and which is reviewed and revised regularly. The plan will strive to protect visual character, promote environmental protection, conserve natural resources, provide for adequate services and facilities, and ensure compatibility of future land uses.

Objective 1.1: *Ensure that all growth and development occur in a planned and coordinated manner that will conserve and protect the Town's scenic, cultural, historic, and rural character and charm for existing and future residents.*

Objective 1.2: *Maintain and/or improve the quality of our water and its sources (wetlands, springs, streams, and lakes) within and around the Town.*

Objective 1.3: *Ensure that all growth and development will respect and preserve the unique natural environment of the Town; its woodlands, the escarpment, the shoreline, and its open spaces characterized by a variety of housing types and densities, pedestrian accessibility of neighborhoods and parks, inclusion of open green spaces within developments, new trail ways, and environmental protection.*

Objective 1.4: *Provide a range of land and housing opportunities that will meet the current and future social and economic needs of a diverse community which includes people of all ages, abilities, and incomes, and which will encourage younger families to live and work in our Town.*

Objective 1.5: *Encourage harmonious and well-planned commercial developments that will serve the needs of the Town and area residents and businesses.*

Objective 1.6: *Plan locations for light industry and businesses that have access to major traffic routes but are not appropriate for the rural character of the Town. By focusing development in these specific areas, the rural character of the Town will be better served.*

Objective 1.7: *Establish and maintain an official map of the Town of Gibraltar, as a master plan for streets, roads, highways, parks, playgrounds, waterways, wetlands, drainage*