2018 Town Plan Housing Items

Housing:

H 1,1 When updating zoning regulations, identify opportunities for development of a variety of housing types, for example allowing mixed residential and commercial use, higher unit density, or unique accessory housing in certain identified districts

Owner: Planning Commission / Housing Committee

Status: In Progress:

* Town Adopted new Village Residential/Commercial and Gateway Residential/Commercial regulations and higher densities in VRNs as per Act 47 and Act 181

H 1,2 Continue to support the existence of the mobile home park, and support additional affordable housing development in the park

Owner: Planning Commission/ Housing Committee

Status: No action yet.

H 1,3 Create a town housing committee that can identify needs and partner with organizations to help secure funding and identify opportunities for construction or adaptation of housing stock, as well as aid in the creation of affordable housing policies that are welcomed by both developers and residents

Owner: Planning Commission/ Housing Committee

**Status**: **In Process**: Housing Committee created in 2020. A housing needs assessment was completed in April 2022. In Sept. 2023 a presentation was given to the PC on potential affordable housing sites in Richmond.

H 1,4 Encourage concentrated residential development in areas identified for growth

Owner: Planning Commission/ Housing Committee

Status: **In Progress**:

**Not directly applicable to Housing Committee:**

H 1,5 Consider participation in the FEMA Community Rating System which can lower overall home insurance costs for homeowners in the Special Flood Hazard Area

Owner: Planning Commission

H 1,6 Provide technical assistance to homeowners in the Special Flood Hazard Area that desire to implement flood proofing measures

Owner: Town Administration

H 1,7 Support, and share information about, programs and resources that assist seniors or low mobility residents remain in their homes such as HomeShare Vermont, Meals on Wheels, and Neighbor Rides

Owner: Town Administration

H 1,8 Support, and share information about, programs and resources that help to lower cost of home ownership such as energy conservation, weatherization, and utility assistance

Owner: Town Administration, Energy Coordinator

H 1,9 Support programs and funding sources for preserving and renovating historic or older homes that can help owners maintain historic character and livability

Owner: Planning Commission, Historical Society

**Future Land Use:**

FLU 1,1 Invest in municipal infrastructure improvements that allow for new development

Owners: Selectboard, Town Administration, Housing Committee

Status: Has there been progress?

FLU 1,2 Create policies that encourage affordable housing development

Owners: Planning Commission, Housing Committee

Status: Has there been progress?

**Economic Development:**

ED 3,2 Develop a Downtown Master Plan that will direct growth to the village area and address streetscape improvements identified in existing plans. Pursue strategies to attract and focus commercial activity in Jonesville

Owners: Planning Commission, Housing Committee

Status: Has there been progress?

ED 5,2 Support efforts to increase the supply of affordable housing in Richmond

Ownes: Town-Wide, Housing Committee

Status: Has there been progress?