## GOALS & OBJECTIVES

## Steering Com. Focus Groups Goals + Objectives **GOAL 1: Effective Growth Management** To support new growth with adequate infrastructure, which improves the quality of life for residents and provides for a clean and green environment. To support reliable and cost-effective utilities in designated growth areas. To strike a balance between the preservation of small-town charm and the accommodation of Ø. sensible development. To ensure the growth of a vibrant Downtown. **GOAL 2: Conservation of Community Assets** To honor and embrace the past. 0 0 0 0 To build on what we have now while creating new assets. To elevate the importance of downtown as a cultural & historic hub as we grow and maintain it. To preserve agricultural heritage and support niche agriculture. To have access to greenspace (e.g., Lake Myra and Marks Creek). **GOAL 3: High Level of Connectivity** To improve the number, reliability, and equity of transportation choices. To reduce traffic congestion, particularly connecting to major east-west arterials. To expand the network of safe bicycle and pedestrian facilities (e.g., crosswalks and bike lanes). To link to regional (Mingo/MTS) trail connections. To connect neighborhoods to Downtown. To connect Wendell to communities in all directions for work, recreation, school, etc. To interconnect utility systems with those of neighboring jurisdictions for better service. To strengthen social connections, especially for seniors, to foster an intergenerational community. To enable low-impact, technology-based solutions including telework, co-working, and broadband internet access...

To preserve contiguity of greenspace and enable better access to nature.

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