

Policies

3.8 Mixed-use, more dense, infill development should be promoted over greenfield development.

3.9 Retrofitting of existing developments and establishment of new developments that encourage active lifestyles for residents of all age groups should be promoted and encouraged.

3.10 The community's anticipated growth should be guided to occur in a well-integrated yet organized fashion which protects our community's character and resources, promotes efficient use of infrastructure and transportation facilities, and supports quality economic development and a diverse population.

3.11 New housing developments should be universally designed to provide access to all persons.

3.12 The use of innovative design concepts, including appropriate use of increased density and infill development in designated revitalization areas, should be promoted through educational outreach and greater collaboration with the development community.

3.13 Handicap accessibility to all public facilities should be ensured.

3.14 The resources necessary for a trauma center should be investigated and efforts should be made to resolve this deficiency.

3.15 The consistent enforcement and full consideration and evaluation of water and air permits and state environmental regulations should be encouraged in order to protect the region's natural resources.

3.16 Efforts should be made to overcome poor awareness and a lack of information of health and safety programs through new marketing and education outreach strategies throughout the entire community.

3.17 Awareness should be increased and further education and study supported regarding where sinkholes are currently located and may be likely to occur in the future.

3.18 Efforts should be made to increase public awareness of potential emergencies and disaster response procedures, as well as of non-emergencies such as prescribed burns, through homeowner education, advanced education, training, and real-time information dissemination during an emergency.

3.19 Public awareness of standard forestry practices, including procedures and risks, should be increased.