

IMPLEMENTATION ELEMENT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this section is to explain how this plan will be utilized to guide future growth and development in the City of Mineral Point. The plan is to serve as the blueprint for the future. As change is inevitable, the plan may need to be amended to appropriately reflect major changes. This element to review how each of the elements of the comprehensive plan inter relate and how the plan will be monitored and evaluated. Finally the section includes a discussion on how the plan will be updated at a minimum of once every ten years.



Wisconsin State Statute 66.1001(2)(i)

(i) Implementation.

A compilation of programs and specific actions to be completed in a stated sequence, including proposed changes to any applicable zoning ordinances, official maps, sign regulations, erosion and storm water control ordinances, historic preservation ordinances, site plan regulations, design review ordinances, building codes, mechanical codes, housing codes, sanitary codes or subdivision ordinances, to implement the objectives, policies, plans and programs contained in pars. (a) to (h). The element shall describe how each of the elements of the comprehensive plan will be integrated and made consistent with the other elements of the comprehensive plan, and shall include a mechanism to measure the local governmental unit's progress toward achieving all aspects of the comprehensive plan. The element shall include a process for updating the comprehensive plan. A comprehensive plan under this subsection shall be updated no less than once every 10 years.

IMPLEMENTATION POLICIES

- **Enforce local ordinances to maintain the character of existing and future land uses within the City of Mineral Point.**

Local ordinances must be enforced consistently to maintain the character of Mineral Point. The keyword is enforcement.

- **Update this comprehensive plan at a minimum of every ten years as required by Wisconsin State Statute 66.1001.**

This plan needs to be updated at least once every ten years. Depending on development or other changes, the plan may need to be updated on a more frequent basis.

- **Amend the local comprehensive plan and ordinances only after careful evaluation of existing conditions and potential impacts.**

Depending on what takes place in Mineral Point in the next twenty years, this comprehensive plan and enforcement ordinances may need to be amended. This should be done with extreme caution. Amendments should be made to simply avoid local planning pressure.

CONSISTENCY AMONG PLAN ELEMENTS

As required by Wisconsin State Statute 66.1001, all elements included in this plan are consistent with one another and no known conflicts exist. All nine elements included in this plan work to achieve the desired future for the City of Mineral Point.

PLAN ADOPTION

The first official action required to implement the comprehensive plan is official adoption of the plan by the local Plan Commission. Once the local Plan Commission adopts the plan by resolution, the Village Board need to adopt the comprehensive plan by ordinance as required by State Statute 66.1001. After the plan is adopted by ordinance, it then becomes the official tool for future development in the next 20 years. The plan will guide development in a consistent manner.

CITY OF MINERAL POINT ZONING ORDINANCE

The City of Mineral Point Zoning Ordinance will be the primary implementation tool for the City of Mineral Point Comprehensive Plan. The intent of the zoning ordinance is to control the development of land within the village. By carefully applying these local ordinances and regulations Mineral Point will be accomplishing the policies of the comprehensive plan.

PLAN AMENDMENTS

The City of Mineral Point City Council can amend the Comprehensive Plan at any time. Amendments would consist of any changes to plan maps or text. Amendments may be necessary due to changes in local policies, programs, or services, as well as changes in state or federal laws. An amendment may also be needed due to unique proposals presented to the City of Mineral Point. Proposed amendments should be channeled through the local planning commission and then final action should occur at the City Council level.

PLAN UPDATES

As required by Wisconsin State Statute the comprehensive plan needs to be updated at least once every ten years. An update is different than an amendment, as an update is a major revision of multiple plan sections including maps. The plan was originally written based on variables that are ever changing and future direction might be inaccurately predicted. A plan update should include public involvement, as well as an official public hearing.

IMPLEMENTATION MEASURES

Table I.1 below provides a list and suggested timeline to implement various aspects of the comprehensive plan. The list provides a summary of various recommendations from the different chapters of the comprehensive plan.

Table I.1 – Policy Statement Summary

Element	Policy Statement
Section A	Protect and improve the health, safety, and welfare of residents in the City of Mineral Point.
	Preserve and enhance the quality of life for the residents of the City of Mineral Point.
	Protect and preserve the small community character of the City of Mineral Point.
Section B	Provide choices of owner and renter type-housing units to serve the current and future needs of all residents. There is a need for the provision of an adequate supply of single-family homes, apartments, duplexes, and manufactured homes.
	Promote the preservation and rehabilitation of the existing housing stock in the City of Mineral Point.
	Preserve and expand the supply of affordable rental and ownership housing for low and moderate-income individuals.
	Enforce the City of Mineral Point Zoning Ordinance to maintain the character of existing and future residential neighborhoods.
	Coordinate planning activities with Iowa County and surrounding jurisdictions to effectively plan for residential growth.
	Identify areas and designate land for future residential land use.
	Encourage contiguous development patterns that preserve and expand upon existing neighborhoods and areas that can be served with public utilities and community facilities.
	Review new housing proposals and support those proposals and programs that meet the city's housing needs and are consistent with the policies outlined in the comprehensive plan.
Section C	Possible creation of a Capitol Improvement Program (CIP) to help with transportation budgeting and planning.
	Work with WisDOT to create and promote a "Park & Pool" ride lot to support and increase carpooling or vanpool use.
	Support incorporating bicycle-related improvements to improve safety, connectivity, and support tourism as a part of economic development.
	Include sidewalks in new and/or existing developments when it is economically feasible.
	Identification of Shakerag Street, Barreletown Road, Ferndale Road, and Survey Road for possible Rustic Roads program application.
	Support improvements to the transit system at the local, county, and regional levels because existing services do not meet current needs and, if continued at the same level, would not meet projected needs.
	As a part of this comprehensive planning process, or in the future, the City may want to consult with WisDOT District 1 regarding locations for future development to ensure that requirements are met, traffic flow is not impeded in the future and—most importantly—to ensure the safety of both residents and travelers.
	Other anticipated transportation projects or issues over the next 10 years: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The five-point intersection at STH 23, STH 39, and South Commerce St, plus other major intersections within the city limits. • Becoming more bicycle friendly and limiting ATV traffic. • Improving parking.
Anticipated transportation projects or issues over the next 20 years (the planning window for the comprehensive planning process): Addition of an STH 39 and USH 151 interchange.	
Section D	Ensure that new development bears a fair share of capital improvement costs necessitated by the development.
	Maintain, operate, and reconstruct the existing utility systems so that they can support existing development and redevelopment.
	Where possible, when making utility system improvements, relocate water and sewer lines from private to public property.
	Locate development that requires urban services within village limits, while discouraging utility extensions into areas environmentally unsuitable for urban development due to soils, flooding, topography, etc.
	Evaluate public utility alternatives and services to reduce capital facility and operating costs.
	Develop a process that informs, notifies, and allows for public participation in all capital facility planning projects and proposals.

Table I.1 (cont.) – Policy Statement Summary

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Section E	Routinely remind residents of the importance of their agricultural, natural, and cultural resources and the need for continued protection of local open spaces to provide recreational opportunities.
	Build partnerships with local clubs and organizations in order to protect important natural areas.
	Maintain proper separation distances between urban and rural land uses to avoid conflicts.
	Continue the use of local open space areas to protect natural areas and to provide recreational opportunities.
	Identify recharge areas for local wells and inventory potential contaminant sources.
	Restrict development from major drainage areas in order to aid in stormwater runoff and prevent flooding.
	Promote tourism opportunities and continue to pursue efforts to capitalize on local resources in conjunction with programs like walking tours, the Wisconsin Historical Markers Program, distributing ATV or bike trail maps, maintaining trails, and preserving the natural beauty of the area.
	Utilize County, State, and Federal programs to conserve, maintain, and protect agricultural, natural, and cultural resources.
Section F	The various interested communities, county representatives, and other parties including businesses and business organizations, should meet to discuss the creation of a countywide economic development corporation.
	All incorporated jurisdictions, as well as the county, should provide for annual funding of economic development needs, including, but not limited to membership dues in organizations that promote economic development beneficial to the county.
	Each community should create a community fund through the Community Foundation of Southern Wisconsin, especially if there is not an alternative vehicle for encouraging local charitable contributions that go toward overall community betterment.
	Utilize the availability of training programs to enhance local capacity building for purposes of community and economic development.
	Develop necessary information to market the community and the available business sites and available buildings within the community on the Internet.
	Work on tourism potential as tourism is one of the fundamental assets of Iowa County.
	Make historic preservation and tourism a fundamental economic development strategy of community and county efforts.
	Conduct a housing needs assessment in all areas interested in housing development, and make housing development a fundamental economic development strategy in areas where this is desired, but evaluate proposals by doing a feasibility analysis.
Section G	Maintain established intergovernmental relationships.
	Explore new opportunities to cooperate with other local units of government.
	Establish written intergovernmental cooperation agreements.
Section H	Follow a current, long-range comprehensive plan, which serves as a guide for future land-use and zoning decisions.
	Maintain the small-town character of the jurisdiction by avoiding developments that would alter its character.
	Encourage non-residential development away from residential neighborhoods.
	Encourage commercial activities to develop in existing commercial locations where public roads/facilities and services have capacity to accommodate high volumes of traffic, parking, and other public needs.
	Encourage development in areas where adequate utilities and community services exist or can be provided in a cost efficient manner.
	Restrict development from areas shown to be unsafe or unsuitable for development due to natural hazards, contamination, access, or incompatibility problems.
Section I	Enforce local ordinances to maintain the character of existing and future land uses within the City of Mineral Point.
	Update this comprehensive plan at a minimum of every ten years as required by Wisconsin State Statute 66.1001.
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