

Agenda  
Town Board Work Session  
January 10, 2024  
5:00 PM

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# Comprehensive Plan

2024 Implementation Actions

[www.townofmanlius.org](http://www.townofmanlius.org)

January 10, 2024  
Councilors Heather Waters and Sara Bollinger




# Community Directives From the Plan's Process

1. **Preserve** open spaces
2. **Ensure** safe neighborhoods
3. **Address** concerns about flooding, traffic, and suburban sprawl








## 2023 Implementation Actions

-  Convene a Citizen Science Clean Water & Stormwater Group to monitor water quality and stormwater and collaborate with interested groups, including Trout Unlimited and Izaak Walton League of America. *This is our new Manlius Watershed Stewards - a **community science** effort!*
-  Coordinate efforts with the Onondaga County **Agriculture & Farmland** Protection Board to protect agricultural lands. Visit <https://www.nyalt.org/> and contact us if you are interested in this process.
-  Support the Tree Commission in conducting a Town-wide tree inventory, **developing an urban and community forestry plan**, and updating the Town code to include the prevention of clear-cutting trees. *We are awaiting word about a large grant to support this effort.*



OBJECTIVES: Environmental Protection & Sustainability, Community Character & Quality of Life

## 2024 Implementation Actions

-  Implement a **form-based zoning code** that embraces smart growth by focusing new development around existing infrastructure and encourages development to achieve predictable, high-quality, and context-sensitive improvements to the built environment.
-  Expand the Town's sidewalk/safe routes network by utilizing the **Neighborhood Sidewalk District Program**. *Visit the Town's website to learn about this program, authored by Councilor Elaine Denton. Enders Road neighbors are actively working on a project.*
-  Utilize the Town website to **connect current and future residents** and housing developers with resources such as the First-Time Homebuyer Tax Credit and the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit

OBJECTIVES: Community Character & Quality of Life, Welcoming and Healthy Neighborhoods

## 2024 Implementation Actions

-  Provide **resources to new and small businesses** through a partnership with Empire State Development's Business Mentor NY Program.
-  Collaborate with the Onondaga East Chamber of Commerce and Villages to promote participation in **Small Business Week, Shop Local**, and similar initiatives to raise awareness of local businesses.






OBJECTIVES: Diverse and Local Commerce

## 2024 Implementation Actions need image

- Complete a **Town-wide Active Transportation Plan** that would focus on safe and efficient multi-mobility for the Town's greenways (including Ledyard Canal), residential areas, and key commercial corridors, such as Enders Road, North Burdick Street, Route 257, East Genesee Street, and others. *The Town intends to form an Economic Development Committee, request an SMTC study and develop a large proposal for the NY Forward Program.*
- Collaborate with **Neighbors & Newcomers**, local libraries and similar groups to introduce and provide resources to new residents.

OBJECTIVES: Environmental Protection & Sustainability, Community Character & Quality of Life, Welcoming and Healthy Neighborhoods, Diverse and Local Commerce, Modern Transportation Networks

# 2024 Implementation Actions

-  Schedule meetings between the **Town and three Villages** to discuss opportunities for **joint planning** efforts, purchasing, and services.
- Complete a detailed review of parcel documentation to **identify and correct any inaccuracies in the public record**. *The Town is investing in GIS software that will help those who are reviewing their property assessments.*
-  **Develop a Plan to construct an energy-efficient Town Hall** that is accessible and provides fit-for-purpose facilities for police and our court  . *We are looking at the most cost efficient and best placed locations for this project.*
-  Facilitate **SEQRA training sessions** for the Town Board, Planning Board, and Zoning Board of Appeals to increase the Boards' ability to navigate complex land use decisions.

OBJECTIVES: Environmental Protection & Sustainability, Community Character & Quality of Life, Responsive Government Operations.

# Annual Review & Update

The Steering Committee will meet again in June to review progress to date and make sure the Comprehensive Plan is responsive to emerging community needs.