

# Overview of Changes to the Draft 2023 Comprehensive Plan Update

Town Board members reviewed all comments received and discussed with Town staff the potential changes and updates to be made to draft 2023 Comprehensive Plan Update. The original draft plan document was reviewed by various departments and proposed changes and edits were identified. Some of the edits to the plan were minor in nature (e.g., grammatical corrections, minor wording changes, etc.) and have not been documented in this high-level summary.

The summary of updates provided below represents substantive edits and additions that were made based on public review and comment on the original draft plan (May 2023) are now reflected in the Revised Draft Plan (August 2023).

## **August 2023 Revised Draft - Summary of Edits**

### **Chapter 2 (Community Profile)**

Page 9 - Reference to Shadow Pines added to Area Planning and Topic Specific Planning Efforts overview.

### **Chapter 3 (Vision and Policies)**

Page 14 - Added more information related to expanding housing types and added a reference to encourage future consideration of accessory dwelling units.

Page 19 (B) Added reference to the need to regularly update the Town's Parks and Rec MP.

Page 23 (A) - added recommendation to streamline development review process to help promote business development.

Page 29 (B) - Modified the language about use of ag land for renewable energy production to promote allowance.

Page 30 (C) - Added recommendation to update the Town's Open Space Plan and reference to Town's continuing to meet with farming community to understand needs.

34 (C) - Expanded information related to Tree City USA.

Page 38 (Policy Statement) - We modified the statement to include a reference to climate resiliency.

Page 39 - made some changes to the examples of sustainable practices and changed language encouraging the Town's use of sustainable practices and green infrastructure.

Page 40-41 (added references to state and county climate action planning efforts and the Town's support of these, including a new "call out box" on the topic.).

Page 55 (E) added examples of Penfield's various volunteer and civic organizations.

#### **Chapter 4 (Future Land Use)**

Added descriptors to each of the land use categories (that mirror the ones provided in the table at the beginning of the chapter).

Added a new section to discuss future zoning regulation updates and land use planning initiatives (e.g., streamlining zoning code, changes to parking regulations, looking at options to add "missing" use categories, addressing the future of the Dolomite Quarry).

#### **Chapter 5 (Implementation)**

General changes:

Relocated the plan implementation and monitoring text provided at the end of the section to the introduction of the implementation tables.

Modified the formatting and narrative related to plan implementation tracking to more clearly explain the Town's plan to monitor plan progress and report on it to the public.

Changes to policy area tables:

Residential Living - updated action statement to include reference to ADUs and multi-family housing

Agricultural Opportunities - added an action item related to identifying regional and state resources and efforts related to ag protection.

Natural Resources - Modified action 9 to accurately reflect town's ongoing activity related to stormwater management.

Sustainability – Reworded existing action (15) to more clearly identify the state's and county's climate action planning activities. Added a new action (16) regarding future town actions related to climate resiliency.

#### **Appendix C – Past Plans and Studies**

Summary of Shadow Pines Land Use Plan was revised to include reference to the grassroots efforts of Save Shadow Pines / Friends of Shadow Pines

Note: comments related to older data referenced in the analysis (prior to 2020) couldn't be addressed because more recent data isn't available from the source(s).

## **Appendix B - Full Size Maps**

Missing zoning map was added.