

Comprehensive Plan Update

Key Issues from Community Forums



1. Transportation

- Areas with increasing traffic volumes/congestion
- Neighborhood connectivity
- Managing vehicle speeds/traffic calming
- Demand for sidewalks, crosswalks, bike infrastructure, speed control devices, lighting
- Supporting connections and infrastructure to bus stops and park and rides

2. Getting The Development We Want

- Retention of neighborhood character with new development
- Affordable housing and housing options
- Concern about dense development/conservation subdivision/Planned Development Districts
- Small business focus, and need to continue to diversify tax base (commercial/industrial)
- Neighborhood gathering places
- Historic Preservation

3. Environmental Leadership

- Advancing sustainability via renewables, multimodal transportation network, EV charging stations, trees, protected wetlands, stormwater management
- Conserving farms and forests
- Expanded recreation – greenway trails, dog parks, and recreation fields

4. Aging Gracefully in Bethlehem

- Aging in place – housing type (townhome, multi-family)
- Affordability and location of housing in relation to services

5. Government and Schools

- Communication
- Effectiveness and flexibility in regulations