



Chapter 5: ACTION PLAN MATRIX



ACTION PLAN MATRIX INTRODUCTION

Following is a summary of the Goals and Implementation Measures found in *Chapter 3 Inventory and Analysis*. They are compiled in an Action Plan Matrix as a quick reference for the reader.

As the Town of LaFayette moves forward with the implementation of its Comprehensive Plan, it recognizes that time, money, and opportunity are important factors in determining which actions are given the highest priority.

Each Goal includes a series of Implementation Measures that have been prioritized. If an Implementation Measure, or project, is categorized as *Immediate*, it is the Town's desire to undertake this project within 0 to three years from the date of the adoption of its Comprehensive Plan. Similarly, if the Implementation Measure is deemed *Short Term*, the Town would like to see it completed within 0 to eight years, *Long Term* is to be undertaken within 0 to 15 years, and *Ongoing* is to be undertaken on an ongoing basis. It is recognized that some of the projects included herein will have a definitive beginning and end, while some projects will have a longer duration, or may always be a Town priority, such as street maintenance, for example. The timeframe imposed for the Implementation Measures is under ideal circumstances.

If an unforeseen opportunity presents itself to the Town, or circumstances otherwise change, LaFayette acknowledges that a reordering of priorities may be necessary. The Town will remain flexible in its approach to moving forward with implementing its Comprehensive Plan. As the Town gains success in achieving its goals, or if new actions need to be added, it will become necessary for the Town to periodically update the Goals and Implementation Measures of its Comprehensive Plan.

ACTION PLAN MATRIX

Goal	Implementation Measure	Urgency	Plan Reference
Adopt Comprehensive Plan			
NATURAL RESOURCES			
1. Future development and redevelopment within the Town will not cause degradation of water resources.	1A. Ensure that DEC regulations regarding stormwater pollution prevention plans are strictly followed for all new developments and that they are properly implemented and managed. Regularly review and revise, as needed, all local regulations dealing with stormwater runoff and retention to maximize protection of surface and groundwater resources.	Ongoing	p. 22
	1B. Encourage use of alternative and emerging technologies for existing and new developments, such as pervious paving materials or other green technologies that minimize, redirect, or treat runoff from parking lots and driveways.	Short Term	p. 28
	1C. Utilize the SEQRA process to minimize impacts from development proposals adjacent to, or with the potential to impact, wetlands.	Ongoing	p. 23
	1D. Ensure natural gas, and other natural resource extraction, does not harm surface or groundwater resources.	Short Term	p. 25
	1E. Gather third party baseline data for streams and public water sources so that any potential future contamination from natural gas extraction processes can be documented and verified.	Immediate	p. 25
	1F. Implement a program that encourages private property owners to regularly check the quality of their well water in order to determine baseline well water quality before gas drilling using hydraulic fracturing begins in the area.	Immediate	p. 25
	1G. Work with other municipalities, and County, State, and federal governments to preserve and protect the safety, quality, and quantity of the public water supply from any negative impacts related to natural gas extraction processes.	Immediate	p. 25

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2. Minimize flood risk and impacts of flooding	2A. Discourage new development in the 100-year flood plain. Where such development does occur, ensure that site plan regulations and processes are sufficient to determine that new development will not exacerbate flooding concerns and that projects are designed to minimize risks to safety and property.	Ongoing	p. 24
	2B. In the event of a major flood that severely damages properties in the floodway, work to relocate/rebuild structures outside of the floodway.	Ongoing	p. 24
	2C. Require new developments to manage stormwater runoff on-site to the greatest extent practicable, as required by the DEC, and encourage the capture and reuse of rainwater.	Ongoing	p. 24
3. Support and promote the use of sustainable technologies and green building practices in the Town.	3A. Encourage energy conservation and efficiencies and promote the use of alternative/clean energy sources in homes and businesses, such as wind, solar, geo-thermal and co-generation. Encourage new construction to be built to LEED, or similar, standards.	Short Term	p. 28
	3B. Lead by example by undertaking energy audits on all Town-owned buildings, and by utilizing alternative energy sources, such as geothermal, wind, solar, and co-generation in all Town-owned building renovation or new construction projects to promote use of green technologies.	Short Term	p. 28
	3C. Publicize the availability of free or low cost energy audits to homeowners and businesses via Town venues and seek grant funds to assist private property owners to make properties more energy efficient and environmentally sustainable.	Short Term	p. 28
	3D. Support the renovation, reuse, or redevelopment of existing buildings as a more environmentally sustainable alternative than new construction due to the embodied energy in existing buildings.	Ongoing	p. 28

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4. Ensure that future development and redevelopment within the Town complements and enhances the natural environment while not hindering or impeding desired development.	4A. Inventory and identify sensitive environmental areas in the Town and designate Unique Natural Areas or Critical Environmental Areas as appropriate.	Long Term	p. 18
	4B. Review and amend land use regulations to protect and enhance the natural resources of the community while ensuring that new or enhanced regulations are not overly cumbersome or limiting to new development.	Short Term	p. 18
	4C. Strictly comply with SEQRA for projects that require such review to ensure protection of natural resources.	Ongoing	p. 19
5. Increase and improve the Community Forests in the hamlets and developed areas of the Town to enhance community character.	5A. Establish a tree planting program to fill in areas of the hamlets lacking trees and to ensure a diverse public forest. This includes planting large trees where possible and smaller trees where necessitated by infrastructure.	Short Term	p. 27
	5B. Coordinate with NYS DOT and property owners to plant coniferous, salt tolerant trees along the east side of I-81 to screen less attractive buildings or sites and minimize impacts from the highway.	Long Term	p. 27
	5C. Inventory Ash trees on Town property and in the public right-of-ways. Monitor progress of the Emerald Ash borer in NYS and the health of Ash trees in the community, and take proactive action to protect Ash trees of significant value	Immediate	p. 27
	5D. Remain aware of new and emerging threats to the community forest and implement actions to address their impacts.	Ongoing	p. 27

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OPEN SPACE			
6. Preserve LaFayette’s rural character and open space while allowing for controlled residential and commercial growth.	6A. Develop an Open Space Plan that identifies specific areas the Town wishes to preserve. 6B. Work with farm owners, Onondaga County, the American Farmland Trust, and the New York Agricultural and Farmland Trust to include LaFayette farms in the County’s Purchase of Development Rights program and to determine the feasibility of developing a Modified Purchase of Development Rights program. 6C. Promote residential and commercial development in and around the LaFayette Hamlet area to preserve open space in the rest of the Town.	Long Term Long Term Ongoing	p. 35 p. 36 p. 34
7. Re-examine and re-write LaFayette’s Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations to include elements designed to preserve and protect open space in the Town.	7A. Include Steep Slope Zoning Guidelines in the Town’s Zoning Ordinance. Guidelines should apply to all zoning districts and should require site plan review for all development on slopes averaging 15% or higher. 7B. Utilize Conservation Subdivision Design to protect steep slopes, scenic views, farmland, wetlands, floodplains, and other unique or significant natural features. 7C. Provide adequate training for Planning and Zoning Board members to successfully implement new zoning and subdivision regulations.	Short Term Short Term Short Term	p. 38 p. 37 p. 38

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AGRICULTURE			
8. Support low-impact, sustainable agriculture as an important part of LaFayette's economy and rural character.	8A. Develop an Agricultural and Farmland Protection Plan. 8B. Update the Town Zoning Ordinance to better support agriculture. Updates should support a farm-friendly business environment and small-scaled farms, and reduce the likelihood of conflicts between farms and non-farm neighbors by providing for growth in appropriate areas and stabilizing larger blocks of agricultural land. 8C. Adopt a Town Right-to-Farm Law aimed at maintaining a supportive operating environment for farmers by limiting potential conflicts between farmers and non-farm neighbors. This law should document the importance of farming to the Town and notify non-farm rural residents that generally accepted agricultural practices are to be expected in farming areas. 8D. Work with the Cornell Cooperative Extension on educational outreach regarding issues such as alternative energy, agri-tourism, etc. 8E. Encourage the use of Onondaga County's Purchase of Development Rights Program for LaFayette farms to preserve farmland and support farm operators financially.	Short Term Short Term Short Term Ongoing Ongoing	p. 46 p. 46 p. 47 p. 44 p. 47
9. Utilize agriculture as a means of economic growth in LaFayette.	9A. Encourage area farmers, including equine related farms, dairy farms, and apple orchards, to develop an agri-tourism industry in the Town. 9B. Advocate for more programs and projects that strengthen the region's agricultural industry with the Onondaga County Office of Economic Development and other agencies. 9C. Capitalize on LaFayette's annual Apple Festival as a means of branding the Town. 9D. Encourage growth in a wide range of local agricultural services and businesses in support of a sustainable local farming community including local processing and markets.	Short Term Short Term Short Term Short Term	p. 43 p. 46 p. 43 p. 44

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			
10. Retain and expand existing businesses in the Town of LaFayette.	<p>10A. Promote and encourage the retention and expansion of businesses that provide goods and services needed by Town residents and that are consistent with the Town's character.</p> <p>10B. Work with the Onondaga County Office of Economic Development (OCOED) and other agencies to assist in retaining and expanding job opportunities in the Town. Assure that businesses are aware of County programs and they are easily accessible to Town businesses.</p> <p>10C. Provide public water and broadband service to the hamlet area.</p> <p>10D. Reduce the cost of doing business in the Town by controlling the costs such as property taxes and Town services.</p> <p>10E. Work with the LaFayette Chamber of Commerce to implement an ongoing communication program with businesses in the Town to assist in problem solving, joint marketing, shared business support, and other areas.</p> <p>10F. Encourage home-based businesses to expand into buildings in the Hamlet area, including formerly residential homes.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Short Term</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Short Term</p> <p>Short Term</p>	<p>p. 50</p> <p>p. 50</p> <p>p. 52</p> <p>p. 50</p> <p>p. 50</p> <p>p. 52</p>
11. Increase the number and variety of businesses in the Town, especially in the Hamlet area.	<p>11A. Work with Onondaga Community College Small Business Development Center to provide technical assistance for start up businesses in the Town.</p> <p>11B. Develop a commercial/business park with convenient access to Interstate 81, to promote business development in the Town.</p> <p>11C. Work with the OCOED to recruit businesses to the Town that will provide well paying job opportunities with adequate benefits.</p> <p>11D. Encourage development of small niche businesses, particularly in residential buildings near the Hamlet center.</p> <p>11E. Work cooperatively with developers to attract a grocery store, restaurants, and other retailers and services in the Hamlet area that will serve the needs of Town residents.</p>	<p>Short Term</p> <p>Short Term</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>Short Term</p> <p>Long Term</p>	<p>p. 54</p> <p>p. 52</p> <p>p. 50</p> <p>p. 52</p> <p>p. 52</p>

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12. Increase the economic impact of existing Town assets.	12A. Capitalize on the numerous travelers on nearby transportation routes to increase the customer base for new and existing businesses.	Ongoing	p. 53
	12B. Encourage the development of antique stores along the Route 20 antique trail, especially in the Hamlet area.	Ongoing	p. 53
	12C. Encourage the development of one or more bed-and-breakfasts or other overnight accommodations in the Town, especially in the Hamlet area.	Long Term	p. 53
	12D. Work with LaFayette Apple Festival Inc. and area farmers to develop an economic use for the Apple Festival grounds and buildings at other times of the year.	Long Term	p. 53
	12E. Work with area farmers, including equine related farms and apple orchards, to develop an agri-tourism industry in the Town.	Short Term	p. 53
	12F. Working with the Onondaga Cycling Club, or other bicycle organizations, to develop a biking map and bike friendly amenities in the town.	Long Term	p. 53
13. Ensure land use and zoning policies support economic development in the Town.	13A. Streamline the approval process for establishing a new business or making changes to an existing business.	Short Term	p. 54
	13B. Review the zoning ordinance and reduce impediments to economic development.	Short Term	p. 54
HAMLET DEVELOPMENT			
14. Ensure that new commercial development is compatible with the rural, traditional character and scale of the Hamlet.	14A. Develop and adopt architectural design requirements for new buildings and major renovations to existing buildings in order to provide a consistent and attractive character to commercial areas.	Short Term	p. 59
	14B. Develop and adopt site design requirements to infuse more landscaping and greenspace, including trees, into developments and to create a better sense of place.	Short Term	p. 59
	14C. Revise the Town sign ordinance to limit primary site signage in the Hamlet to smaller scale or monument style signs at the roadway, prohibit internally lit signs, and limit the overall number of signs.	Short Term	p. 59

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<p>15. Ensure and enhance pedestrian and bike access and safety in the Hamlet.</p>	<p>15A. All new developments should incorporate sidewalks or trails, connected to municipal sidewalks, in order to enhance pedestrian and bicycle access.</p>	Ongoing	p. 63
	<p>15B. Sidewalks/crosswalks crossing business entranceways should be of a contrasting color and material, such as concrete, stamped concrete, brick, or stone. Such crosswalks should be consistent throughout the area.</p>	Ongoing	p. 63
	<p>15C. Encourage bicycle racks and pedestrian amenities as part of site plan review requirements.</p>	Short Term	p. 64
	<p>15D. Install benches at various locations in the Hamlet.</p>	Short Term	p. 64
	<p>15E. Extend public sidewalks throughout the Hamlet.</p>	Long Term	p. 64
	<p>15F. Develop on-or-off road bike trails/lanes or shared pedestrian/bike paths.</p>	Long Term	p. 64
	<p>15G. Develop and adopt a sidewalk maintenance law to ensure maintenance for all public sidewalks.</p>	Short Term	p. 64
<p>16. Ensure the planned DOT reconstruction of the Hamlet intersection is compatible with, and enhances the existing and desired character of the Hamlet.</p>	<p>16A. Work with the DOT to minimize roadway widths and turning radii at the main intersection, and install other features, to create a human sense of scale.</p>	Immediate	p. 63
	<p>16B. Accommodate pedestrians and cyclists by incorporating multi-modal transportation alternatives and amenities, including sidewalks on both sides of the road in every direction, and bike lanes, either in the roadway or in multi-use pedestrian/bike paths.</p>	Immediate	p. 63
	<p>16C. Install and maintain crosswalks that are stamped asphalt or concrete made to look like brick or other natural materials. Install crosswalks on all four sides of the main intersection, across from the Elementary School where it currently exists, and at the reconfigured northbound exit intersection. "Yield to Pedestrian" signs should be placed at crosswalks.</p>	Immediate	p. 63
	<p>16D. Provide for and identify on-street parking in all possible locations where it does not result in significant widening of the roadway.</p>	Immediate	p. 63

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	<p>16E. Advocate for a variety of trees to be planted along the right-of-way where they do not exist now, and replace trees that are removed as a result of construction. Plant larger shade trees where they can be accommodated. Use smaller trees under electrical wires to prevent costly future maintenance. Plant the largest diameter trees possible to ensure survival.</p> <p>16F. Work with the DOT to install a Town owned greenspace on the southeast corner of the intersection to replace the old hotel if it is demolished. The greenspace should include features that enhance the space for pedestrians and drivers passing by, such as benches, a walkway, trees, other plantings; a stone wall or other elements to define the corner; and interpretive information regarding the old hotel, the hamlet, and the intersection as the crossroads of two of the longest highways in the U.S.</p> <p>16G. Ensure that the re-aligned northbound I-81 off-ramp intersection is developed to create a welcoming gateway into the community including landscaping, crosswalks, and other design features.</p> <p>16H. Install decorative, human scaled streetlight fixtures.</p> <p>16I. Reduce the amount of road and directional signage to the lowest number possible.</p> <p>16J. Incorporate creative elements, such as pavement markings or signage, into the designs to identify this as the intersection of two of the longest highways in the U.S.</p>	<p>Immediate</p> <p>Immediate</p> <p>Immediate</p> <p>Immediate</p> <p>Immediate</p> <p>Immediate</p>	<p>p. 63</p> <p>p. 63</p> <p>p. 63</p> <p>p. 63</p> <p>p. 63</p> <p>p. 63</p>
<p>17. Promote and support compatible residential development in and adjacent to the Hamlet in order to preserve open space outside the Hamlet.</p>	<p>17A. Provide public water to support more compact development and revise zoning to reduce minimum lot sizes within the Hamlet.</p> <p>17B. Consider implementation of Incentive Zoning to encourage or require clustering of housing, provision of needed amenities, and/or types of housing.</p> <p>17C. Allow for and support development of mixed use buildings in the Hamlet center.</p> <p>17D. Support development of housing appropriate for young families and seniors.</p>	<p>Short Term</p> <p>Short Term</p> <p>Short Term</p> <p>Ongoing</p>	<p>p. 62</p> <p>p. 62</p> <p>p. 62</p> <p>p. 62</p>

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18. Promote and support compatible commercial development in the Hamlet area.	18A. Establish clear and concise planning and land use controls to eliminate uncertainty in the development process. 18B. Encourage development of small niche businesses, particularly in residential buildings near the Hamlet center.	Short Term Short Term	p. 61 p. 62
19. Protect and enhance the character of the Hamlet as the center of a rural agrarian community.	19A. Institute a program to plant trees on public land and encourage planting of trees on private land. 19B. Research a partnership with SUNY ESF to utilize the Hamlet as a research location for urban forests. 19C. Establish a vacant building law to encourage renovation of blighting or vacant structures. 19D. Maintain town properties and right of ways to a high level. 19E. Preserve and protect historic structures from demolition or inappropriate alteration.	Short Term Long Term Short Term Ongoing Ongoing	p. 58 p. 58 p. 59 p. 58 p. 59
20. Provide adequate parking opportunities for residents and businesses.	20A. Provide for on-street parking where possible. 20B. Investigate development of a public parking lot(s) in locations convenient to the Hamlet center but screened or located behind buildings.	Short Term Short Term	p. 63 p. 63
HOUSING			
21. Ensure all dwelling units are in compliance with New York State Property Maintenance Code.	21A. Partner with entities such as Southern Hills Preservation Company, or other not-for-profit entities to seek financing sources to renovate housing through rehabilitation programs. Particular emphasis shall be paid to homeowners who struggle financially. 21B. Continue to support comprehensive housing code enforcement efforts in the Town to maintain owner-occupied and income property units in compliance with the NYS Property Maintenance Code. 21C. Partner with Onondaga County and other agencies devoted to housing related issues such as lead based paint, radon, energy efficiency, and safety issues. The Town will be a part of the referral network.	Short Term Ongoing Ongoing	p. 72 p. 68 p. 72

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22. There will be units in the Town, existing or proposed, which are affordable and accessible to all income, age, and disability segments of the population.	22A. Promote home ownership through programs that provide assistance to first time homebuyers, particularly for young families. 22B. Work with qualified developers who share a common vision with the LaFayette in developing new housing units to meet growing needs that are in keeping with the character of the Town. 22C. Work with local, State, and federal housing agencies and organizations regarding the housing needs of special needs populations, including but not limited to, handicap access, visitability (the ability of the mobility impaired to access all homes and buildings), the needs of the elderly and frail elderly, etc., and assist with advocacy efforts when needed.	Short Term Long Term Ongoing	p. 72 p. 73 p. 73
23. Promote energy efficiency for new or existing housing units such as green build standards, Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards, alternative energy sources, and/or new energy saving technologies. Energy saving or alternative energy appliances, technology, materials, or other apparatus shall be of such a nature that it will not interfere with any neighboring properties and/or will not negatively impact the Town of LaFayette environment, quality of life and/or aesthetics.	23A. Support the development of housing that conserves energy, including such measures as green build components. 23B. Remain cognizant of emerging energy conservation and renewable energy trends. While the Town will promote these measures, it may be necessary to prohibit structures, appliances, and/or equipment that are harmful to adjacent properties, to the Town environment or aesthetics, or are determined to be unsafe. 23C. Partner with knowledgeable organizations to both educate Town residents and assist with implementing sustainable housing practices such as, but not limited to, reducing energy costs, harnessing wind, rain, and geothermal energy, alternative construction methods, recycling, composting, and pollution reduction.	Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing	p. 73 p. 73 p. 73
24. Encourage the continued development of home businesses.	24A. The Town's zoning regulations for home businesses need to be revisited from time-to-time to keep pace with emerging trends and technologies that would allow for a greater variety of home businesses. The Town may also want to reconsider its list of allowable uses if it is not in its best interest. The Town should continue its zoning efforts to ensure that home businesses are in keeping with the residential character of the AR zoning district.	Short Term/ Ongoing	p. 72

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EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES			
25. Partner with the School District in cultivating a broader positive image.	25A. Provide more opportunity for the School District to place articles in the Town's newsletter. Conversely, work with the District so that Town/School partnerships and projects can be covered in the District's newsletter or other media. 25B. Establish a yearly meeting with entities such as the Chamber of Commerce, Town government, Board of Realtors, other organizations, and the public at-large where an update of the District's successes can be showcased. Encourage attendees to spread the positive aspects of the District, including cultural diversity, as they go about their daily business. 25C. Develop print, social, and other media that highlight the Town's assets. 25D. Work with the School District to provide an opportunity for successful District graduates to speak about their career highlights and/or life experiences. 25E. Expand the focus of the Town's Community Council to areas outside of sports.	Short Term Ongoing Short Term Short Term Short Term	p. 79 p. 79 p. 79 p. 79 p. 79
26. Encourage persons associated with the school district, including but not limited to, faculty, staff, parents, students, visitors, and others to patronize Town businesses.	26A. Work with the LaFayette Chamber of Commerce and the LaFayette School District to provide a welcome packet for new district employees. 26B. Network with Town businesses and the Chamber of Commerce on the benefits of advertising in media related to school events.	Short Term Ongoing	p. 78 p. 78
27. Continue to provide hands-on work experience for students including internships and community service.	27A. Facilitate the development of programs at the school so that students can work for pay or meet community service requirements in Town businesses, government, or not-for-profit organizations. 27B. Continue to work to develop programs so that job training in the schools match the skill sets needed by area businesses.	Short Term Ongoing	p. 79 p. 79
28. Showcase the Town's nearness to post secondary educational facilities.	28A. Develop promotional materials that highlight the Town's location with respect to higher education facilities.	Short Term	p. 79

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29. Consolidate Town and school services to the fullest extent possible.	29A. Work with the school district on cost sharing on items and services such as fuel for vehicles or needed equipment. 29B. Work with the school on issues such as recycling and energy efficiency (See also Section XI. Intergovernmental Cooperation).	Short Term Short Term	p. 79 p. 79

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PARKS AND RECREATION			
30. Provide facilities that are safe, clean, well maintained, and handicapped accessible.	<p>30A. Identify all safety, cleanliness, and general maintenance concerns for all Town recreation facilities and institute corrective actions as needs arise. Issues of concern include playground equipment condition and types, dangerous or failing structures, un-mowed areas, deteriorating swimming areas, handicapped accessibility, poor lighting, litter, graffiti, etc.</p> <p>30B. Establish long-term maintenance plans for all Town-owned facilities including a review of responsibilities and budgets.</p> <p>30C. Undertake a program of park renovations and upgrades to address deficiencies in LaFayette Beach and Bailey Parks. Seek outside grant funding as needed.</p> <p>30D. Renovate and upgrade the Community Center to enhance use.</p>	<p>Short Term</p> <p>Short Term</p> <p>Short Term</p> <p>Long Term</p>	<p>p. 86</p> <p>p. 86</p> <p>p. 83</p> <p>p. 84</p>
31. Remain current with meeting the needs of the public and provide facilities and programs to meet those needs.	<p>31A. Coordinate with the Community Council to conduct periodic needs assessments on recreation facilities and public desires and regularly evaluate programs and participation levels to anticipate and meet changing needs and trends.</p> <p>31B. Continue to build upon improvements and facilities at Stafford Park and develop new facilities at other parks as needed.</p> <p>31C. Work with the CNY Land Trust to improve public access to its two properties in the Town.</p> <p>31D. Work with the Community Council and nearby communities to provide new and/or enhanced recreational and social programs for adults and seniors.</p> <p>31E. Work with local biking organizations, Onondaga County, and other interested parties to establish bicycle routes and trails, and to provide amenities and services to cyclists (see also Section X. Transportation).</p> <p>31F. Work with the CNY Land Trust, the LaFayette Apple Festival, and other partners, to investigate creating enhanced and improved public access along Onondaga Creek within the Apple Festival Grounds including amenities such as parking, trails, benches, and picnic sites.</p> <p>31G. Investigate acquiring property/access for public use and boat launching on Jamesville Reservoir.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Short Term</p> <p>Short Term</p> <p>Short Term</p> <p>Long Term</p> <p>Short Term</p> <p>Short Term</p>	<p>p. 87</p> <p>p. 86</p> <p>p. 85</p> <p>p. 87</p> <p>p. 89</p> <p>p. 89</p> <p>p. 84</p>

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32. Develop a greenway and/or trails to connect major recreational and business nodes in the community, including Town parks, the hamlet, CNY Land Trust properties, and the Apple Festival Grounds.	32A. Identify and map existing nodes to be connected. Inventory and map utility right-of-ways, vacant land, public land, and other opportunities that can serve as corridors to connect them. Use this data to develop a Greenway Master Plan.	Short Term	p. 88
	32B. Seek grant funding and leverage force account labor to undertake phased improvements as land become available.	Long Term	p. 88
33. Increase recreational opportunities for winter recreation.	33A. Construct a multi-use, multi-generational indoor recreation facility at or near Stafford Park.	Long Term	p. 88
	33B. Develop an ice skating rink at Stafford Park.	Long Term	p. 88
	33C. Cooperate with the LaFayette Trail Riders snowmobile group to ensure a well-maintained and interconnected system of snowmobile trails.	Ongoing	p. 86
	33D. Develop opportunities and/or facilities for cross-country skiing/snowshoeing.	Long term	p. 88
INFRASTRUCTURE AND TELECOMMUNICATION			
34. Ensure all residents and businesses in the Town of LaFayette have access to clean, affordable, and sufficient drinking water.	34A. Implement a program that encourages everyone to regularly check the quality of their well water, especially in the Hamlet of LaFayette. Additionally, encourage residents to determine baseline well water quality before gas drilling using hydraulic fracturing begins in the area, and provide information about how and where to do so.	Immediate	p. 92
	34B. Create a Water District for the LaFayette Hamlet.	Short Term	p. 93
	34C. Keep apprised of the water situation in the hamlet of Cardiff and support residents' efforts to acquire clean and safe water as needed.	Ongoing	p. 95
35. Continue to provide well-maintained roads throughout the Town of LaFayette.	35A. Conduct a thorough Inventory and Assessment of Town roads, and develop and adopt a Road Preservation Ordinance, Road Use Agreements, and/or a Driveway Ordinance to help protect roads that may be heavily used by trucks associated with high-volume hydraulic fracturing.	Immediate	p. 98
	35B. Work with the NYS DOT to complete the reconstruction of the Hamlet of LaFayette's main intersection in a timely fashion (in 2013 or as soon as possible thereafter), and in a manner appropriate for the scale and character of the Hamlet.	Immediate	p. 98

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36. Ensure that all residents and businesses have access to broadband internet and a television provider.	36A. Work with providers to fill in any gaps in coverage within the Town 36B. Work with providers to extend fiber optic coverage (television and internet service) into and throughout the Town, in particular the LaFayette Hamlet, and areas not currently covered by cable, DSL, or satellite.	Short Term Short Term	p. 97 p. 97
37. Continue to provide quality fire protection services for the Town of LaFayette.	37A. Support the LaFayette Fire Department in their efforts to acquire needed apparatus, other fire equipment, and training.	Ongoing	p. 96

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TRANSPORTATION			
<p>38. Enhance and encourage pedestrian and bicycle routes that promote connectivity and good health while reducing our reliance on vehicles.</p>	<p>38A. Work with the DOT on the reconstruction project related to the Routes 11 and 20 intersection in the Hamlet to incorporate bicycle and pedestrian amenities. This could include crosswalks, signage, signals, bulbouts, bike lanes, and islands, included under the Complete Streets legislation. Ensure that all amenities are handicapped accessible.</p> <p>38B. Identify gaps within the Town’s existing sidewalk system that could serve as key links to destinations in and around the Hamlet (Grimshaw Elementary School, library, Town Hall, shopping, churches, Nature Trail, jobs, etc.).</p> <p>38C. Work with the County, bicycle enthusiasts, and clubs to develop an inventory of roadways in the Town that are suitable for bicycle paths and trails. Provide signed and marked bicycle lanes. Provide amenities such as bicycle racks. As practical, connect these paths and trails to those already in existence in and around the City of Syracuse and nearby suburbs and townships.</p> <p>38D. Include requirements, as part of the Site Plan Review, for all new projects to incorporate pedestrian and bicycle routes and facilities as part of the new development, as may be appropriate.</p> <p>38E. Develop maps for public distribution to increase public awareness of designated sidewalks, trails, and bicycle routes. Include details of the health and environmental benefits of using non-motorized forms of transportation.</p>	<p>Immediate</p> <p>Short Term</p> <p>Short Term</p> <p>Short Term</p> <p>Long Term</p>	<p>p. 103</p> <p>p. 103</p> <p>p. 103</p> <p>p. 103</p> <p>p. 103</p>

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39. Improve, develop, and promote the use of public transportation.	39A. Work with representatives of Onondaga County and Centro Bus to improve services and to provide incentives to increase the use of the system.	Ongoing	p. 105
	39B. Support an evaluation of the regional transportation network to examine the potential benefits and efficiencies that could be realized by coordinating and/or consolidating the regional bus system.	Ongoing	p. 105
	39C. Support the continued evaluation, promotion, and development of passenger rail service linking Syracuse, Cortland, Binghamton and beyond.	Ongoing	p. 105
	39D. Pursue a capital improvements program that increases opportunities for pedestrian and bicycle usage and safety.	Short Term	p. 105
40. Institute access management planning within the Town including such infrastructure as access roads and driveways to reduce pedestrian/vehicle conflict points.	40A. Develop regulations governing and requiring access management plans for multiple-family residential, commercial, and industrial development and redevelopment.	Short Term	p. 104
	40B. As part of access management plan requirements, reduce the number of curb cuts allowed on Routes 11 and 20 in the Hamlet area.	Short Term	p. 104

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INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION			
41. Work with neighboring municipalities, Onondaga County, the LaFayette School District, and Fire Departments to minimize costs and maximize services for area residents.	41A. Create an inventory of potential areas of opportunity for sharing services with one or more local governments and research potential savings from implementing specific shared services. 41B. Develop formal methods and processes to create and maintain lines of communication between the Town government and neighboring municipalities, Onondaga County, and the LaFayette School District. 41C. Actively pursue grant opportunities (such as the NYS General Efficiency Planning Grants and Efficiency Implementation Grants) to more thoroughly study the potential savings from shared services; and to implement shared services projects and programs. 41D. Form a partnership with neighboring rural Towns to provide stronger representation for common needs when working with Onondaga County.	Short Term Short Term Long Term Ongoing	p. 107 p. 108 p. 107 p. 107
LAND USE AND ZONING			
42. Write a new zoning ordinance that supports and reinforces the Town's goals that emerge from the Comprehensive Plan.	42A. Modernize and simplify the language and formatting in the new zoning ordinance to make it consistent with the language used by other communities in New York State. 42B. Update the zoning map to align it with the Town's goals. 42C. Update the Subdivision Regulations as needed and as detailed in the sections above.	Short Term Short Term Short Term	p. 114 p. 114 p. 114

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<p>43. Support the growth of compatible business and economic development through the new zoning ordinance.</p>	43A. Reduce unnecessary impediments to economic development and streamline the approval process when rewriting the zoning ordinance.	Short Term	p. 116
	43B. Expand the Hamlet and/or Business districts to allow for business growth.	Short Term	p. 116
	43C. Ensure that zoning regulations allow for the future development of a commercial park.	Short Term	p. 116
	43D. Update the Sign Regulations in the zoning ordinance.	Short Term	p. 116
	43E. Create Site Design Standards and Minimum Architectural Design Standards in the Hamlet area.	Short Term	p. 116
	43F. Include clear and updated Home Occupation regulations in the new zoning ordinance that provide appropriate and compatible requirements for each zoning district home occupations are permitted.	Short Term	p. 116
<p>44. Use zoning regulations to help support compact development in and around the hamlet, and the protection of open space, agriculture, scenic views, and the community's rural character throughout the Town.</p>	44A. Include a "Purpose" at the beginning of the zoning ordinance and for each district explaining the Town's goals of preserving open space, agriculture, and rural character.	Short Term	p. 117
	44B. Develop Conservation Subdivision Design guidelines for new housing developments, and encourage their use.	Short Term	p. 118
	44C. Develop Steep Slope Guidelines in the zoning ordinance to help protect slopes over 15%, as detailed in the sections above.	Short Term	p. 118
	44D. Change the name of the Agricultural-Residential District to "Agricultural" and increase the minimum lot size requirements in the Agricultural District.	Short Term	p. 118
	44E. Create a Residential District and revise the zoning map accordingly.	Short Term	p. 118
	44F. Update the definition of "Farm" in the ordinance and allow agricultural-related businesses in the Agricultural District.	Short Term	p. 118
	44G. Inventory and map valued natural and cultural resources in the Town, including open space and scenic views which can serve as a reference when making development decisions.	Short Term	p. 117