

Report Card

Downtown Ridgefield Plan



✓ **Completed**

↔ **On-Going**

▶ **In Progress**

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Examples of Projects

1 Public Events: The community has developed many sustained events, such as *Birdfest* and *Bluegrass* that assist in branding the community as a regional investment location



2 Trails and Pathways: Trails and pathways are being developed throughout Ridgefield to promote pedestrian access to amenities, such as the new waterfront path



3 Design Guidelines: Improved design guidelines have been adopted to create consistency and connectivity between Downtown Ridgefield and the waterfront

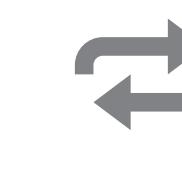


4 Downtown Streetscapes and Uses: The completion of Overlook Park and reconstruction of S Main Street are great examples of progress that has been made

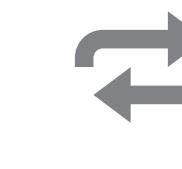


GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Capitalize on previous community success



Orient Downtown businesses should be oriented toward services more than goods



Clean up and redevelop downtown brownfield properties



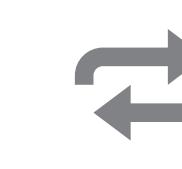
Improve Main Street as a focal point to assist in connecting the downtown and waterfront areas



Support the vision with investment in necessary public infrastructure



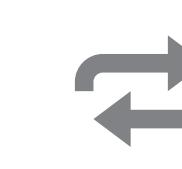
Provide for pedestrian friendly circulation and access



Maintain the community's quality of life with development efforts



Capitalize on proximity to the Refuge and Lake River



LAND USE

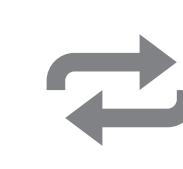
Encourage upper story residential development in the downtown and waterfront



Focus downtown development: Main Avenue to 5th Avenue and Mill Street to Pioneer Street



Encourage arts, cultural and institutional uses in the downtown core



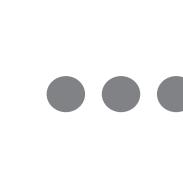
Implement the International Building Code for greater flexibility to utilize existing buildings



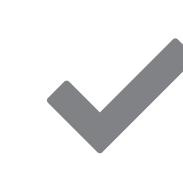
Protect view sheds to the waterfront through identified view protection corridors



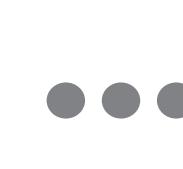
Provide for appropriate building heights in downtown to maintain the "small town feel"



Implement design guidelines for the downtown area



Establish design guidelines for the waterfront for consistency and connectivity to downtown

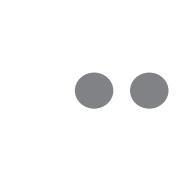


CONNECTION AND ACCESS

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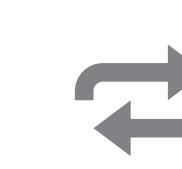
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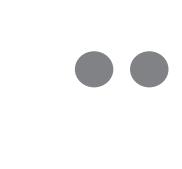
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