

VILLAGE OF HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

2010 TO 2018

THE DOWNTOWN

Objectives	Activities/Accomplishments
1. Promote and enhance Downtown amenities and social character	
1.1 Improve Downtown's gateways and create a sense of arrival.	Implemented a sign frame to hold announcements at the 5 Corners intersection.
1.2 Enhance the number and quality of permanent Downtown outdoor gathering/sitting areas.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improved attractiveness and utility of VFW park. 2. Improved Juniper Plaza on Warburton Avenue with planters and tree; benches refurbished by adjoining restaurant owner. 3. Committed \$10K in 2018 for improvements to Wagner/Constant Street Plaza to commemorate Battle of Edgar's Lane (implementation will be in 2019). 4. Allocated \$220K from Betterment Fund for downtown improvements in 2018.
2. Create an inviting dining and shopping destination to attract the Village's residents and visitors to the Downtown.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Purchased a street sweeper in 2017. 2. Initiated "Holidays Window" program to improve attractiveness of local businesses in holiday season (over 20 store windows decorated per year by local artists, winter 2018 and winter 2019). 3. Will be issuing an SOW to further improve the downtown in 2019.
2.1 Develop a Downtown Management Structure.	Downtown Advocate hired October 2014.
2.2 Expand and diversify the selection of retail stores and restaurants.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Over 25 new restaurants, retail stores and not-for-profits have opened since Oct. 2014 including: D. Thomas Fine Miniatures, Flowing Rivers Acupuncture, Nigels, The Fitness Gallery, The Urban Dollhouse, Forty North, The Upstream Gallery, Without A Slice, Amanda Kupillas Dance Studio, Leah Ervi Design, Enlighten Studio, Hastings Sewing Studio, Boro6 Wine Bar, Penny Lick Ice Cream Company (2014), Scribble Art Workshop (2014), Bread & Brine & Juniper (2015), Tacos-on-Hudson (2015), Family to Family (2015), Foodtown (2016), RiverArts (2016), Observatory Shop (2018), In2Green Pop Up (2018) and Divino Cucina Italiana (2018). In 2019, Palo Vivo (former Hastings House), Found Herbal, The Good Witch will open 2. Downtown Advocate is working with landlords, realtors and entrepreneurs to support multiple other new businesses and fill empty spaces as they occur.
2.3 Retain and strengthen calendar of events.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Traditional events have continued including the annual <i>Take me to the River Music Festival</i>, <i>Riverspirit Music Festival</i> and Concert series, <i>Friday Night Live</i>, the <i>Memorial Day Parade</i> and more. 2. New events have been developed by the Parks & Recreation Department including <i>Friday Night Dead</i>. 3. Downtown Advocate supported development of several new events including: <i>Literary FNL</i> in April, <i>Octoberfest</i> in fall, <i>Destination Hastings - Downtown Crawl</i> (held every December

	<p>starting in 2014 to present) which raised \$10,000 for the Hastings Food Pantry.</p> <p>4. Downtown Advocate and Hastings Recreation Dept. brought back <i>Annual Spring Thing Event</i>, co-produces the now annual <i>RiverArts Music Tour</i> (starting in 2015 to present) which takes place throughout the Village in multiple locations and is free to the public. The team also produces annual Memorial Day, Halloween and Holiday events.</p> <p>5. Downtown Advocate promotes the <i>Farmers Market</i>, the new <i>Hastings Flea Market</i> and initiated an annual <i>Meet the Merchants</i> and a <i>Drop& Shop</i> event.</p> <p>6. Downtown Advocate promotes the Rivertowns Chamber events (including multi-village <i>Holiday Trolley</i>).</p>
<p>2.4 Explore additional areas for outdoor special events.</p>	<p>1. Special events, including concerts, have been held at Draper Park, Kinnally Cover, and MacEachron Park (both close to the downtown)</p> <p>2. The design of Quarry Park envisions a performance space for concerts or plays (QP is close to the downtown and linked via Quarry Trail and the Aqueduct) and will be finalized in 2019.</p>
<p>2.5 Work with landlords on building and streetscape improvements.</p>	<p>1. Overhaul of the Boulanger Parking lot, with brick paving, plantings and new centralized parking station.</p>
<p>2.6 Continue to support residential units above ground floor units.</p>	
<p>2.7 Support and promote efforts to encourage tourism in the Rivertowns.</p>	<p>1. The Rivertowns Tourism Board has been active in promoting the Village since 2013.</p> <p>2. Farmers Market and Flea Market attract people to the Village.</p> <p>3. <i>Destination Hastings</i> (with its own distinctive logo and banner and over 1,000 followers) is a web page that promotes events - including those sponsored by the Village, local organizations and downtown businesses, as well as media coverage. It has attracted both visitors and locals, after being posted on many neighboring community pages from Riverdale and Yonkers to as far as Beacon.</p> <p>4. The Dec. 2017 <i>Village Crawl</i> garnered press in the <i>Journal News</i> and attracted visitors from both within and without our Village.</p> <p>5. Hastings has been a major venue for <i>RiverArts Music Tour</i>, and press was garnered for the event in the <i>Journal News</i>.</p> <p>6. Downtown Advocate generated publicity for HoH events: worked with cultural organizations outside of the Village to publicize local events and businesses (eg: organizing Caramoor e-blast to 35,000 subscribers for the <i>RiverArts Studio Tour</i> and connecting new restaurants with the <i>Journal News</i> for press coverage).</p> <p>7. Updated and published <i>Annual Shop Local Guide</i> and distributed in Village with “shop local” messaging online.</p> <p>8. Initiated 2017 and 2018 effort to enhance holiday light displays in local shops so as to add to festive atmosphere.</p> <p>9. In early 2018, the Downtown Advocate partnered with Metro North and <i>RiverArts</i> to publicize upcoming events via 30,000 flyers announcing the <i>Artist Studio Tour</i> (April) and the <i>RiverArts Music Tour</i> (June) – flyers mailed to monthly Rail Pass Holders outside of the Village to encourage tourism. Signs posted in over 200 Metro</p>

	North Stations and website/social media support provided by Metro North.
3. Protect and enhance the Downtown's historic scale and character.	
3.1 Promote compatibility in scale, density, design, and orientation between new and existing development.	The <i>Design Guidelines for the Central Commercial District</i> promotes compatibility in scale, density, design, and orientation between new and existing development.
3.2 Adopt design guidelines, with appropriate Village enforcement, to supplement and be consistent with zoning standards.	<i>Design Guidelines for the Central Commercial District</i> was adopted by the Board of Trustees at its Feb. 15, 2011 meeting upon the recommendation of the Architectural Review Board.
3.3 Investigate creating a Downtown Historic District.	<i>(Reviewed but decided that Design Guidelines are more appropriate.)</i>
3.4 Provide a consistent palette of lighting, signage, landscaping and sidewalks throughout the Downtown's public domains.	<i>Design Guidelines for the Central Commercial District</i> provides a consistent palette of lighting, signage, landscaping and sidewalks.
4. Improve, where possible, possibilities for parking.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Additional parking spots were added to the Zinsser Commuter lot during Warburton Bridge renovation; most were retained. 2. Parking improved in Uniontown parking lot, with 19 new spaces added.
5. Improve and enhance connections between the downtown and the rest of the Village.	New signage, based on a palette in use throughout Rivertowns, was placed in Village to orient people to the downtown.
5.1 Improve pedestrian/bicyclist circulation to and throughout downtown.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Board of Trustees adopted Complete Streets policy 10/21/14. 2. Village worked with County to ensure pedestrian concerns were included in its plan for improvements to Warburton Ave. 3. Worked with community group on changes to Broadway, with the goal of improving bicycle use up and down Broadway corridor.
5.4 Protect view sheds of Hudson River and Palisades.	Board of Trustees intervened with Westchester County to provide more transparent fencing on Warburton Avenue bridge.

LARGE TRACTS

Objectives	Activities/Accomplishments
1. Protect and enhance gateways into the Village and the Downtown.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hastings Vine Squad has removed vines at multiple gateways including the Farragut Avenue entrance to the Village. 2. "Golden Mile" of daffodils for spring planted in 2015 and bloom each year – public/private partnership.
1.1 Establish a scenic corridor overlay zone on major roadways through the Village and additional roadways, as appropriate.	Adopted Cluster Zoning Law Jan. 2016 to protect southern gateways.
1.2 Reach out to neighboring communities to receive notice of proposed developments on a regular basis.	This is now in effect with Greenburgh.
2. Protect and enhance the environmental quality of the Village through preservation of environmentally sensitive areas.	1. Deer Immunocontraception Research Program initiated in 2014 and continued through 2018. With following results: As of fall 2018 69 does (approximately 75% of the resident Village population) have been captured, tagged and treated (the most recent survey found none of the treated does with fawns); hosta survival at two months increased from 9 and 12% the first two years of the study to 24% the most recent two years; car-deer accidents have declined over the five years of the study from 12 in 2013 to 5 in 2017.

	<p>2. The next steps of the projects are gaining US EPA approval of the vaccine for field uses, obtaining NYSDEC approval for using immunocontraception as a management tool, enlisting more adjacent municipalities to participate and building a team of residents to administer ongoing immunization via dart.</p> <p>3. With NY State DEC funding developed a comprehensive forestry management plan for Hillside Park and Woods.</p>
2.5 Reevaluate the Tree Preservation Ordinance to ensure it is protecting significant trees.	<p>1. Tree survey conducted with volunteers and <i>Street Tree Inventory Report</i> drafted and presented to Board of Trustees on October 1, 2013.</p> <p>2. With NY State DEC funding conducted a comprehensive tree inventory of Hillside Park and Woods.</p>
3. Preserve and improve the quality of existing parkland.	
3.1 The Village should work to improve existing parks.	<p>1. Created the Hubbard trail extension (2010).</p> <p>2. Dan Rile Trail/park improved by a Village volunteer (2012).</p> <p>3. Walkway to Sugar Pond improved by Eagle Scout volunteer (2014).</p> <p>4. Zinsser Park ball fields upgraded, including addition of new dugouts, in partnership with Little League (2014/2015).</p> <p>5. Senior Citizen's Vest Pocket park benches and landscaping (2016).</p> <p>6. Reynolds Field playground upgrade completed; example of public/private partnership (2016).</p> <p>7. Riverview Park cleanup and improvements finalized (2016).</p> <p>8. Zinsser Park tree replacement, upgrade/rebuilding of wooden bridges at Zinsser Gardens and removing of vegetation that blocks the stream by Eagle Scout volunteer (2016/2017).</p> <p>9. Benches and garbage/recycling in Draper Park improved by Eagle scout volunteer (2017).</p> <p>10. Hillside Tennis Courts renovated (2017).</p> <p>11. Uniontown Park dugouts, batting cages, fencing and food shack improved (2012), basket ball courts resurfaced (2015), playing field upgraded, new playground built and parking lot improved (with preservation of trees), in partnership with Little League (2017/2018).</p> <p>12. Hillside Woods restoration efforts initiated with a several expert panel presentations and guided woods tours (2017 & 2018) to identify extent of deterioration and potential restoration actions.</p> <p>13. Urban Forestry Grant of \$29,500 received for tree inventory and management plan for Hillside Woods (work completed fall 2018).</p> <p>14. Quarry trail created from the future Quarry Park down to Southside, including an staircase to Warburton (2016, 2108</p> <p>14. Quarry Park remediation/improvement plans developed; grants drafted and submitted; funding secured for improvements that have begun in March, 2019.</p> <p>15. Hastings Vine Squad removed vines at Draper Park, along the Aqueduct, along Broadway near the Burke estate and in multiple other locations.</p> <p>16. Trails restored after Superstorm Sandy in Hillside Woods.</p>
4. Diversify the tax base.	Development on 9A served to diversify the tax base.
4.1 Rezone some large tracts to enhance future tax rateables.	

4.2 Require fiscal impact analysis.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fiscal Impact Analysis taken into account by the Planning Board in the plans relating to the Ginsberg development on 9A. 2. Financial analysis endorsed by Village Board at outset of waterfront re-zoning efforts to insure that development there expands the village tax base.
4.3 Encourage fiscally neutral or positive development.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Promotion of fiscally neutral or positive development considered by the Planning Board in the plans relating to the Ginsberg development on 9A. 2. Promotion of fiscally positive development endorsed by Village Board at outset of waterfront re-zoning efforts to insure that development there expands the village tax base.
5. Provide transparent procedures for project review and approval.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Land Use Task Force appointed by Board of Trustees to review and make recommendations for improvements to land use permitting processes. 2. Land Use Task Force recommendations being implemented.
5.1 Create an easy-to-read development application brochure.	
5.2 Increase awareness of projects under review.	
5.3 Increase communication and coordination among Village Boards and Commissions	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. View Preservation Law amended by Board of Trustees to allow Building Inspector and member from Planning Board and Zoning Board to waive Boards' approval in some cases. 2. Parks and Rec Commission appointed a liaison to the Shoreline Advisory Committee. 3. Safety Council and Conservation Commission appointed a liaison to the Transportation Working Group. 4. Parks and Recreation, Conservation Commission and the Tree Preservation Board have coordinated efforts to study and restore Hillside Woods.
5.4 Evaluate development applications for compliance with the Comprehensive Plan.	
5.5 Circulate results of development applications via email.	
6. Provide community members with adequate information on prospective developments.	The Mayor sends weekly messages to the community on prospective developments and members of the public are invited to meetings so as to provide public input.
6.1 Rezone parkland to reflect current use.	
6.2 Rezone institutions to reflect current uses.	
7. Enhance opportunities for public participation in the decision-making process.	The Waterfront Rezoning Process has provided substantial opportunities for public input.
8. Preserve community character by protecting existing open space and public institutions.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Several community parks have been upgraded and improved (e.g. Riverview) and new parks are being created (e.g. at old Quarry Park location completing the last piece of parkland east of the train tracks). 2. Board committed funding to <i>Battle of Edgar's Lane</i> memorialization efforts at one of the gateways to the Village.

Specific Objectives for the Waterfront:

<p>1. Ensure fiscally responsible development.</p>	<p>This is a core requirement in the Waterfront rezoning process and the search for a planning consultant to assist in the rezoning process.</p>
<p>2. Design a plan for the Waterfront that promotes appropriately scaled development that will provide economic support for the Village.</p>	<p>Created a Waterfront Rezoning Committee that brings together skilled volunteer residents to focus on developing a plan for the Waterfront.</p>
<p>2.1 Develop a form-based code for the Waterfront.</p>	
<p>2.2 Identify areas suitable for economic development.</p>	<p>Established and Waterfront Infrastructure Committee which identifies the portions of the waterfront that are suitable for development.</p>
<p>2.3 Permit uses consistent with the goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan and the proposed Form-Based Code.</p>	
<p>2.4 Install infrastructure as site is remediated.</p>	
<p>2.5 Review implementation and management strategies for waterfront redevelopment and take steps necessary to ensure continuing village involvement.</p>	<p>1. Board of Trustees set up Waterfront Infrastructure Development Committee made up of local citizens; committee held public meeting to present draft report in 2013 & 2014; final report submitted to Board in April 2015. 2. Negotiated updated Consent Decree for waterfront cleanup. 3. Grant received for consultant for Shoreline Advisory Committee, Shoreline Advisory Committee appointed Mar. 15, 2016 and design report submitted to BoT in January 2018. 4. Waterfront Rezoning Committee appointed in Jan 2018.</p>
<p>3. Maximize public enjoyment of the Waterfront.</p>	
<p>3.1 Determine areas for public uses on the Waterfront.</p>	<p>1. Survey of citizens conducted to solicit ideas about potential features on the waterfront – there was a very high response rate. 2. Shoreline Advisory Committee appointed Mar. 15, 2016. 3. Waterfront Rezoning Committee (WRC) appointed in Jan 2018. 4. WRC engaged with the Pace University Land Use Law Center to create a strategic plan for waterfront re-zoning, and drafted an RFP for a consulting firm to aid its work in 2019.</p>
<p>3.2 Provide public amenities while keeping public costs to a minimum. The Waterfront should have as many public amenities as possible, while keeping costs to taxpayers at a minimum.</p>	<p>1. In 2018, the Shoreline Advisory Committee report, with its consultants, Roux Associates, presented a final conceptual design for the shoreline to the Village BOT. During the process the committee consulted extensively with the public, with the NYS DEC and also with BP/ARCO. The conceptual design envisions many forms of public engagement with the Hudson River along the entire shoreline and specifies a broad range of public amenities.</p>
<p>3.3 Create a promenade along entire waterfront perimeter.</p>	<p>1. Design developed by Shoreline Advisory Committee specifies the creation of a promenade along the waterfront.</p>
<p>4. Ensure environmentally smart development.</p>	
<p>4.1 Integrate sustainable site development concepts.</p>	<p>1. Green Building Code includes substantial green site development concepts as part of approval process.</p>

5. Preserve public views of the Hudson river, Palisades and New York City skyline.	Waterfront Infrastructure Committee report outlined view preservation corridors as recommendations for waterfront property.
6. Preserve the architectural features in the area.	Iconic water tower to be preserved in some form when the waterfront is re-developed - the Consent Decree requires BP/ARCO to match the preservation cost up to \$1.35M and to cover much of the cost of the take-down and preservation of the structure.
7. Investigate improvements to circulation to and through the Waterfront.	Waterfront Infrastructure Committee report outlined circulation recommendations for waterfront property.
7.1 Investigate relocating Dock Street Bridge when it is reconstructed by Metro-North.	
7.2 Revisit the need for Zinsser Bridge and/or a pedestrian bridge.	
8. Proactively seek out opportunities for the Waterfront that are consistent with the goals and vision of the Plan and the (future) Form-Based Code for the Waterfront.	Waterfront Rezoning Committee charged with addressing this issue.
9. Ensure that built areas do not create self-contained enclaves that impede public access to the Waterfront.	1. Shoreline Committee's final conceptual design contains extensive access to the waterfront. 2. Waterfront Rezoning Committee charged with addressing this issue.

CIRCULATION

Activities/Accomplishments	
1. Encourage the provision and maintenance of sidewalks, stairs and street intersections so pedestrians from all parts of the Village are able to walk safely to the Downtown, the Metro-North station, to schools and between neighborhoods.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Board of Trustees adopted Complete Streets policy 10/21/14. 2. Conservation Commission tasked with Complete Streets project. 3. Transportation Working Group appointed Mar. 1, 2016; developed set of recommendations with high level cost implications; recommendations reviewed and endorsed by Safety Council; traffic engineer hired; traffic engineer reviewed recommendations; recommendations presented to Board of Trustees and Village Manager in 2017. 4. Recommendations of TWG in process of being implemented including: repaving of 66 streets around the village and installation of 8,100 ft of curbing; placement of stanchions in key areas; beginning stages of traffic calming and safety implementation in the Uniontown area (James and High Streets); erection of new signs around the Village by Greenburgh; expected striping and crosswalk repainting/additions in Spring 2019. 5. Village joined four other Greenburgh shoreline communities in a \$150,000 NY State-funded study on the Rt. 9 Active Transportation Conceptual Design Plan to improve circulation from Hastings to Sleepy Hollow (purpose is to improve pedestrian, bicyclist and vehicle mobility and safety), study completed in May 2018 and recommendations provided to State. 6. Village created a new sidewalk on Hillside and a new segment of sidewalk on Lefurgy.
1.1 Maintain existing sidewalks.	1. Local residents "day lighted" sidewalks along Mt. Hope from Cliff to Overlook.

1.2 Continue to add or improve sidewalks to the Downtown.	
1.3 Continue to provide and enhance "Safe Routes to School." Village Policy	1. Village created a new sidewalk on Hillside and a new segment of sidewalk on Lefurgy.
1.4 Improve the conditions of stairs throughout the Village.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Eagle Scout project to improve stairs between Hamilton and Prescott Place completed during the summer 2013. 2. Village improved stairs between West Main Street and Southside Avenue (2014) and endorsed improvements of stairs leading from Warburton Avenue to Quarry Trail in 2015. 3. Stairs from Aqueduct to South Street improved in 2017.
1.5 Improve pedestrian connections between neighborhoods.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Eagle Scout project to improve stairs between Hamilton and Prescott Place (summer 2013). 2. Village improved stairs between West Main Street and Southside Avenue (2014) and endorsed improvements of stairs leading from Warburton Avenue to Quarry Trail (2015). 3. Transportation Working Group appointed Mar. 1, 2016; recommendations included ideas to improve pedestrian connections between neighborhoods; recommendations reviewed and endorsed by Safety Council; traffic engineer hired; traffic engineer reviewed recommendations; recommendations presented to Board of Trustees and Village Manager in 2017; recommendations in process of implementation. 4. Improvements completed for Hillside sidewalk running from Rosedale to Farlane (2017). 5. Quarry Park extension stairs linking Aqueduct to Southside and accessing Warburton Ave stairs (2017).
2. Improve roadways and intersections to reduce pedestrian and motorist conflicts.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Transportation Working Group appointed Mar. 1, 2016. 2. TWG developed extensive set of recommendations, which were reviewed and endorsed by Safety Council. 3. Traffic engineer hired in 2017. 4. Traffic engineer reviewed TWG recommendations. 5. Recommendations presented to Board of Trustees and Village Manager in 2017. 6. Recommendations in process of implementation. 7. Rt. 9 Active Transportation Conceptual Design Plan developed by the five villages from Hastings to Sleepy Hollow and completed November 2018. The plan preserves auto mobility while creating bike lanes and pedestrian walkways along the entire route. It envisions the redesign of intersections along the entire route to increase safety pedestrian crossing.
3. Provide and maintain Village streets and intersections so motorists can safely drive to the Downtown, the Metro-North station and schools; and safely access Broadway, Warburton and the Saw Mill River Parkway.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Village Board of Trustees developed TOR to commission an engineering study on the state of village roads. 2. James Hahn Engineering hired to analyze and prepare assessment on the state of Village roads in 2015. 3. <i>Roadway Assessment Report</i> submitted to Village Board of Trustees in 2016; report assessed all roads in the village and rated them in terms of priority. 4. Board of Trustees elected to accelerate road upgrades of worst roads by financing improvements via bonds; \$1.2M spent in 2017 and \$800,000 in 2018.

	<p>5. From 2010 to 2018, resurfaced 68 roads (66,338 ft length/ 1,713,966 sq ft) and installed 8,139 ft of curbing.</p> <p>6. State DOT clean up of Broadway/Rt.9 striping and crosswalks scheduled for spring 2019</p>
3.1 Implement traffic calming measures	<p>1. Authorized engineering review of entire road network to better prioritize repair in 2015; <i>Roadway Assessment Report</i> submitted in 2016; Board elected to accelerate road upgrades by 5 times the number of roads compared to previous year; \$1.2M spent in 2017 and \$800 in 2018.</p> <p>2. Ran successful pilot contracting program with Pothole Killer truck; Pothole Killer used every year since pilot.</p> <p>3. Transportation Working Group appointed Mar. 1, 2016; developed set of recommendations with high level cost implications; recommendations reviewed and endorsed by Safety Council; traffic engineer hired; traffic engineer reviewed recommendations; recommendations presented to Board of Trustees and Village Manager in 2017; implementation of recommendations of TWG ongoing – results to date include: placement of stanchions in key areas, striping of some streets; repainting and/or creation of crosswalks; replacement of and/or erection of new traffic calming signs by Town of Greenburg;</p> <p>4. Began efforts to calm traffic on James Street in 2018.</p>
4. Improve bridge connections for cars, bicyclists and pedestrians, particularly to Route 9A along Ravensdale Bridge, as well as Dock Street and Zinsser Bridges to the Waterfront.	<p>1. In 2018, Village participated in planning discussions related to Ravensdale Bridge renovations, which will begin in 2019. Village will work with County to ensure pedestrian and cyclists concerns are included in improvement plans.</p>
5. Provide and maintain trails so pedestrians can enjoy recreational walks, walk to the Downtown and walk to schools.	<p>1. Trails were cleared of trees and debris after major storms by local residents.</p> <p>2. Resident Hubbard with volunteers, cleared and created the Rawley’s Bridge Trailway and cut-through.</p>
6. Consider providing and maintain bike routes.	<p>Rt. 9 Active Transportation Conceptual Design Plan presented in November. 2018 creates bike lanes from the Yonkers border to Sleepy Hollow.</p>
7. Support use of public transportation, including the Bee-Line Bus and Metro-North railroad.	<p>Added permanent parking lot spaces to allow for more commuter use of the railroad.</p>
8. Implement circulation changes in a fashion that permits drivers, pedestrians and bikers to adapt and keeps streets, sidewalks, intersections and trails safe.	<p>Addressed in Rt. 9 Active Transportation Conceptual Design Plan which was presented in November 2018.</p>

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Objectives	Activities/Accomplishments
1. Be aware of and implement best practices for mitigating and adapting to global climate change.	<p>1. Board of Trustees passed a resolution pledging commitment to Paris Agreement on Climate Change.</p> <p>2. Joined the national Climate Mayors organization to promote local actions and coordinate municipal responses at the national level to climate change.</p>

	<p>3. Consent Decree was modified to incorporate higher elevation in site level as a mitigation to seal level rise.</p>
<p>2. Reduce energy consumption and the carbon footprint of the Village-owned and managed properties and resources.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Village designated as a Clean Energy Community (CEC) and as a result won a \$50,000 NYSERDA Clean Energy Community grant, partly based on having enacting a law requiring annual energy benchmarking of municipal buildings. 2. Conversion to LED street lighting completed throughout non-downtown areas of Village annually saving over \$37K/year and 164 thousand KWh or approximately the equivalent to 270,000 lbs. of carbon in the atmosphere (the equivalent of the total electricity use of 18.3 households). 3. With the CEC funding, developing a municipal energy plan including initiating energy efficiency upgrades to municipal buildings. 4. Set up Energy Working Group (as sub committee of the Conservation Committee), that is benchmarking the municipal fleet and will promote other GHG reduction initiatives. 5. Analyzing cost benefit analysis of introducing electric charging stations and of switching to Electric Vehicles (EVs). 6. Joined Sustainable Westchester's effort to provide default green energy to all residents, which has saved both money and tons of carbon. 7. Installed two e-vehicle electric charging stations in Steinschneider parking lot (2018).
<p>3. Encourage sustainable design and construction in the Village.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reconstructed 12 catch basins, installed over 500 feet of drainage pipe on Minturn along with related drainage catch basins; installed the complete drainage system around the pool.
<p>3.2 Enact a green building code for new constructions and substantial renovation.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Green Building Code</i> adopted by the Board of Trustees on October 1, 2013 upon the recommendation of the Conservation Commission. 2. Adopted unified NY State Solar permit. 3. Eliminated Planning and Zoning approval requirement for solar installations in all zoning districts.
<p>4. Reduce energy consumption and carbon footprint of Village residents.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Conducted a Solarize campaign with Dobbs Ferry (55 Hastings residents installed high-quality solar units and benefited from cost savings, adding nearly 500 KW of solar power generating potential). 2. Joined 20 other Westchester communities in Community Choice Aggregation program, selecting the renewable option so that electricity is 100% wind-derived through the purchase of RECs from renewable energy generators (over 2,200 village households are part of the program).
<p>4.1 Increase amount of waste diverted from landfills.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Board of Trustees adopted Local Law banning plastic checkout bags and Styrofoam containers June 3, 2014. 2. From 2008 to 2016, total waste tipping decreased by 18%, and recycling reached 27% of all waste. 3. Conservation Commission initiated food scraps recycling program to help remove food waste from solid waste stream.

SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE

Objectives	Activities/Accomplishments
1. Minimize storm water runoff.	
1.1 Review existing storm water management planning.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Storm water management planning is reviewed each year and the Village produces a comprehensive <i>Stormwater Management Report</i> annually. 2. Village reconstructed 12 catch basins and installed over 500 feet of drainage pipe on Minturn along with related drainage catch basins; installed the complete drainage system around the pool.
1.6 Keep the community well informed on ways to minimize runoff.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Annual <i>Stormwater Management Report</i> is presented at a Board of Trustees meeting and is available on the Village Web site. Informational pamphlets are available and distributed at public events.
2. Preserve and protect floodplains and water bodies.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Village joined 33 other Hudson Valley municipalities in the Hudson River Waterfront Alliance to successfully oppose a proposed US Coast Guard rule that would have added 10 new barge anchorage grounds, and 43 anchorage sites from Yonkers to Albany, including the entire Hudson River at Hastings. 2. Hastings was the only Hudson River shoreline community with a village official participating in the US Coast Guard Ports and Waterways Assessment Workshop in 2017. 3. Hastings was the only Hudson River shoreline community with a village official participating in the US Coast Guard Ports and Waterways Assessment Workshop in 2017. 4. A village trustee continues to meet regularly with other Hudson River Shoreline elected officials to monitor further proposals potentially impacting the Hudson River estuary an the shoreline. 5. The Village Board adopted a resolution asking the US Army Corps of Engineers to carry out more extensive study prior to adopting plans for storm surge barriers in NY York Harbor and its tributaries.
3. Preserve, protect and restore wetlands.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shoreline Advisory Committee incorporated measures to preserve, protect, restore and expand wetlands into its planning.
2.1 Restrict development within floodplains.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Planning Board ensured these concerns were taken into account in the plans relating to the proposed development on 9A.
4. Anticipate more intense storms and higher water levels associated with climate change.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Planning Board ensured these concerns were taken into account in the plans relating to the proposed development on 9A. 2. Local laws have been adopted and are continually enforced to ensure stormwater management best practices. 3. As part of the Village Capital Plan, catchment basins have been cleaned and repaired.
5. Conserve water.	<p>The Conservation Commission and Village promoted conservation of rainwater by offering rain barrels to harvest water (as well as composters) for sale at subsidized prices in April 2017.</p>

QUALITY OF LIFE

Objectives	Activities/Accomplishments
1. Ensure that the Village remains affordable to a wide variety of people.	
1.1 Continue to recognize the need and importance of affordable housing.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Affordable set aside was up-graded from 10% to 15% in 2013. 2. Three affordable housing ownership units at 52 Washington Avenue were completed in 2015. 3. 9A development finalized in 2016 and includes 12 units of affordable housing. 4. Two units of new affordable housing were completed at 190 Farragut Avenue in 2018 and will be occupied in 2019. 5. Four units of new affordable housing were completed at 10 West Main in 2018 and will be occupied in 2019.
1.4 Protect existing affordable housing.	Increased income eligibility levels for Senior and Disabled Rent Increase Exemption program (SCRIE & DRIE).
1.5 Ensure that new affordable housing in the Village "complements and enhances" existing Village character.	9A development has 12 new units of Affordable Housing that are attractive and similar in design to regular units.
1.6 Look at new models for senior residency.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Senior Citizen Advisory Committee investigating "Living in Place" initiatives in cooperation with Andrus on Hudson. 2. Enhanced opportunities for seniors with new Senior Brochure prepared by Senior Citizen Advisory Council. 3. Board reviewed language in code related to senior living with a view to modernization.
2. Protect the Village's valuable historic resources.	<p>Board of Trustees has determined that the iconic water tower will be preserved in some form when the waterfront is re-developed. The Consent Decree requires BP/ARCO to match the preservation cost up to \$1.35 million</p> <p>Consent Decree modification sets money aside for Historical Society to document waterfront history.</p>
3. Continue to explore opportunities for inter-municipal cooperation with neighboring communities and school districts for shared community services.	
3.1 Inter-municipal agreements with neighboring communities should be prepared and executed to make community service delivery more efficient and effective.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In October 2012, Village secured grant to undertake assessment of possibility of Inter-municipal agreement on combining DPW services with Dobbs Ferry to increase efficiency and reduce costs. Study completed; no appreciable benefits discerned. 2. Working with Ardsley, Dobbs Ferry and Irvington to pursue grants from the State to promote tourism and marketing. 3. Working with other villages to obtain better/lower contracts for asphalt and paving, air conditioning repairs, cleaning services, and other contracts. 4. Joint Parks and Recreation programming with Dobbs Ferry. 5. Participating in Solarize Westchester and Community Choice Aggregation program.

<p>4. Work cooperatively to ensure that schools and other community services are sufficiently supported.</p>	
<p>4.1 Potential impacts of all types of development on school, library and Community Center capacity should be analyzed, as well as any implications from these impacts on local taxes.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In September 2013, Board of Education presented to Board of Trustees proposed plan for improvements to Reynolds Field, tennis courts and playground. 2. The Planning Board analyzed the impacts on community resources of the proposed development on 9A. 3. Waterfront Rezoning Committee has included all village stakeholders in community outreach efforts. 4. The Rt. 9 Active Transportation Study was carried out in conjunction with four other shoreline villages and the steering committee will continue into the implementation phase.
<p>5. Recognize the value of volunteerism in the community and encourage residents to take an active role in the future of the Village.</p>	
<p>5.1 Support the efforts of the Village's all-volunteer fire and ambulance services.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approved funding for upgraded protective clothing and communications equipment in the 2013-2014 budget as well as two fire chiefs vehicles. 2. Funded pumper engine for Protection Company in 2015. 3. Funded purchase of new ambulance in 2017. 4. Documented and promoted history of Fire Department. Supported recruiting drives.
<p>5.2 Support and reward community volunteers.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A community event was held to recognize volunteers after Hurricane Sandy. 2. Annual community events held to recognize all volunteer groups in the Village. 3. Continuing promotion of volunteer opportunities, and active recruitment for Village Boards resulting in average 98% occupancy on village boards and commissions.
<p>6. Promote opportunities for public art.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Village Arts Commission arranged outdoor sculpture installations, curated art exhibitions in Village Hall, and held several outdoor art events. Arts Commission continues to provide public art in the Municipal Building and elsewhere. Gallery-quality lighting and hanging equipment was supplied at the Municipal Building. 2. Village coordinated dedication ceremony and art exhibit honoring Jacques Lipchitz in Village Hall. 3. Board of Trustees increased membership of Village Arts Commission enabling expansion of activities. 4. Work with RiverArts, promoting the public MusicFest, and numerous other public art performances, including notably the Take Me to The River series.
<p>7. Ease the property tax burden on Village residents.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Remained under the 2% State imposed tax cap every year since it was implemented in 2012. 2. Built reserve fund (rainy day fund) of \$1.7M (more than 10% of budget), and established 2 new capital preservation funds: Capital Reserve Fund (2014) and Parks Capital Reserve Fund (2018) – with \$330K in audit as of December 2018. Total reserve fund over \$2M. 3. Introduced budget vs. actuals analysis. 4. “Property tax freeze credit” enjoyed by many villagers.

	5. The Village can boast one of the lowest tax increases among the Rivertowns.
7.1 Lobby State legislators to address the property tax burden.	Board of Trustees lobbied State legislators and the Governor to address the tax burden with letter sent by Mayor.
7.2 Work with neighboring communities to address the property tax burden.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Board of Trustees approved Inter-municipal agreement with Dobbs Ferry to study consolidation of public works departments. 2. Board of Trustees approved IMA Jan. 20, 2015 with six other villages for innovative pothole repair. 3. Multiple joint efforts over the years have saved monies on building cleaning services, asphalt repaving, curbs, and other items. 4. Ongoing sharing of capital equipment where it has made sense.