

6. PLANNING AND POLICIES

- Communities should do proactive planning. Zoning and infrastructure should reflect where they want growth to happen, i.e., encourage growth where we want it.
- Interviewer was glad that the agency is doing this study and the public is involved – being heard instead of herded.
- Need to look long-term.
- Need stronger local planning – must have ability to take in change.
- Towns don't all have the will or knowledge to do the needed planning. Outlying towns need help in dealing with growth.
- As growth occurs, new areas contiguous to existing – infill concept.
- Our policies say anyone can live anywhere and pay same rates for services despite higher cost of services in outlying areas. There are no incentives not to move out further. People should pay the real costs for power, gasoline, etc.
- Chittenden County towns have enacted zoning to prevent sprawl with or without transportation change.
- Land use plan in Williston allows growth too close to [Circ] ROW, especially school.
- Hope Williston will continue strict land use controls.
- Zoning and sewer service areas control pattern of growth.
- Build a roadway network to match development which has already been built.
- Develop a vision of a community and build transportation network to make it a reality.
- Essex Junction resident: Integration of uses, for example Kancamagus Highway in New Hampshire.
- Decide how we want Vermont to look in the future.
- CCMPO [should] use more smart growth approaches.
- Quality of life impacted by poor regional planning, leapfrogging effect
- Public input [needed].