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|  | **Action Item** | **Responsible Party** | **Timeframe** |
| **HOUSING** | New housing growth in areas with public infrastructure and services shall be planned in a manner that reinforces Pittsfield’s historic settlement pattern. | ZBA | On-going |
| The development of multi-family housing, special needs group homes, and elderly housing shall be encouraged in the designated village center in close proximity to Town services. | ZBA | 4-5 years |
| Innovative energy efficiency standards and practices in housing rehabilitation and new developments should be reinforced and encouraged. | PC, SB | On-going |
| The Town should make residents aware of the many benefits of making financial investments into projects that create new affordable housing units.  | PC | On-going |
| The Town should consider appropriate locations within Pittsfield to either develop or reuse existing properties for planned retirement communities.  | ZBA, PC, SB | On-going |
| The Town should collaborate with businesses and non-profit housing corporations to help Pittsfield better meet the demands for affordable housing. | ZBA, PC, SB | On-going |
| **EDUCATION & CHILDCARE SERVICES** | The Town is encouraged to work with school authorities where Pittsfield students are tuitioned to maintain safe transit opportunities.  | School Board | On-going |
| The Town shall ensure that the needs of all of the Town’s children are incorporated into School Board budgetary planning efforts to advance free and appropriate education.  | School Board | On-going |
| The Town should work with the Regional Planning Commission to conduct a childcare needs assessment. | PC, RPC, School Board | On-going |
| The Town should integrate child care issues into the planning process, including child care financing, infrastructure, business assistance for child care providers, and child care work force development. | PC, SB, School Board | On-going |
| **UTILITIES & FACILITIES** | The Select Board has developed a Capital budget and will update annually as needed with input from the PC, Road Commissioner, Parks Commissioner, Fire & Rescue, Library and Town Clerk for future municipal investments in utilities and facilities that is consistent with this Town Plan. |  SB, PC | On-going |
| The Town shall continue to participate in the RCSWD and support its evolving programs.  | SB | On-going |
| The Town should support continued efforts to expand broadband and cellular service access when such growth does not place an undue adverse impact on the rural character of the community. | SB | On-going |
| All private water sources should be protected from existing or potential contamination. | ZBA, SB, ANR | On-going |
| The Town should educate the general public as to the value of recycling of glass, newspapers, metals, plastic, cardboard, and other materials, particularly with new statutory requirements. | PC, SB | On-going |
| The Town should make recycling options more ubiquitous throughout Town and reinforce the need to keep recyclables from the waste stream.  | PC, SB | On-going |
| **HEALTH & EMERGENCY SERVICES** | Ensure medical transport providers are providing safe response times, quality care at affordable taxpayer costs. | First Response, SB | On-going |
| The Select Board shall review and should update, where necessary, the town Local Emergency Management Plan on a yearly basis. | SB, Emergency Manager | Yearly |
| The Town should consider earning Red Cross designation for its three shelters.  | SB | 1-2 years |
| The Town should keep the Hazard Mitigation Plan current. | Emergency Coordinator, SB | 5 years |
| **FLOOD RESILIENCE** | Pittsfield should work with the Regional Planning Commission when new maps are produced to strengthen our Flood Hazard Regulation Bylaws in order to mitigate risks to public safety, critical infrastructure, historic structures, and municipal investments from inundation and erosion. | PC, RPC | As needed |
| Pittsfield should work with VTrans and the Regional Planning Commission on advocating for and improving the flood capabilities of state or Town-owned transportation infrastructure.  | SB, RPC, VTrans, Road Commissioner | On-going |
| Pittsfield should continue working to develop mitigation plans, and emergency preparedness and recovery procedures from flooding. | SB, Emergency Manager | On-going |
| Existing homes and businesses at serious risk of flood damage in Pittsfield should be identified and prioritized in concert with the ANR River Management Section and the Regional Planning Commission for mitigation actions such as elevation/relocation or purchase and demolition.  |  ANR, RPC | On-going |
| Areas not designated in either FEMA’s maps or in VT ANR’s maps, but which are flooded during a weather event, should be recorded by the Pittsfield Planning Commission and may be added to local flood regulations.  | PC | On-going |
| Watershed-level planning should be performed by the Town with assistance from the Regional Commission to evaluate natural and constructed flood storage options upstream of existing areas of concentrated development that are at risk of flooding. | PC, SB, RPC | 2-3 years |
| Pittsfield shall work with ANR, the Regional Planning Commission, and landowners to lessen flood risk by restoring natural channel functions through berm or dam removal or intentional lowering of streambanks. | SB, RPC, ANR | 5 years |
| Pittsfield shall work with the Regional Planning Commission to understand the impact stormwater runoff has on the Town, and then work to address impacts from impervious surfaces through increased retention and infiltration. | SB, RPC | 1-3 years |
| **TRANSPORTATION** | Cooperate with other communities in the region through the TRORC and its Transportation Advisory Committee to ensure that the region's transportation system is developed in a well-coordinated manner that recognizes and balances the needs and desires of each community. | SB, Road Commissioner, RPC | On-going |
| Continue to routinely update inventories to roads, bridges, and culverts to ensure appropriate safety and usability of all roadways and supporting infrastructure, along with short- and long-range planning for necessary replacements and enhancements. | Road Commissioner | On-going |
| Encourage participation in the Regional Transportation Advisory Commission as well as the TRORC Road Foreman’s meeting program. | Road Commissioner | On-going |
| **ENERGY** | Town officials and volunteers should work to increase public awareness and use of energy conservation practices, energy-efficient products and efficiency and weatherization programs through educational efforts aimed at local residents and businesses. | PC | 2-3 years |
| The Town should consider municipal or community-based renewable energy generation, to include municipal or district biomass heating systems, and the installation of individual or group net metered generation facilities on town buildings and property to serve town facilities. Sources of funding for municipal power generation could include third-party financing, municipal funds, bonds, grants, and available government incentive programs when existing infrastructure needs to be replaced.  | SB | 5 years |
| The Planning Commission should identify areas in town that are appropriate for large scale renewable energy production, such as solar.  | PC, SB | 5 years |
| The Select Board should formally designate a town Energy Committee as a Town committee so that they may develop an Energy Action Plan as a supplement to the municipal plan.  | SB | 2-3 years |
| The Select Board should authorize a Pittsfield Energy Committee to track municipal energy use and costs (for example: through the EPA's free Energy Star® Portfolio Manager program) and develop an overall energy budget to manage the town's energy consumption, which may also include the development of local generating capacity.  | SB | 2-3 years |
| The Town should continue to implement energy efficiency measures recommended by the Energy Committee for existing and future facilities.  | SB, Energy Committee | 3-5 years |
| The Town, with help from the Energy Committee, should develop municipal procurement and purchasing policies that emphasize products that are energy efficient (e.g., Energy Star® rated).  | SB, Energy Committee | 5 years |
| The Town should continue to develop facility maintenance and operation policies that maximize energy efficiency while maintaining comfort levels for employees and visitors.  | SB | On-going |
| The Select Board should discuss PACE at a future meeting and decide whether the program should be placed on the ballot for Town Meeting. | SB | 1-3 years |
| The Town should continue to explore the potential for public transit opportunities. | SB | On-going |
| **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** | Pittsfield should consider the creation of a local economic development committee that would encourage the growth of appropriately scaled businesses. | SB | 3-5 years |
| Encourage the development of a local farmer’s market. | SB | On-going |
| The Town should conduct a simple inventory of local businesses to determine what goods and services are available in town, and where market gaps exist that may be filled by new business enterprises. | PC | 1-2 years |
| Encourage and support the development of information technology and communication infrastructure that is necessary for economic growth and vitality. | SB | On-going |
| Support efforts to expand public transit opportunities within the Village Area. | SB | On-going |
| **NATURAL, SCENIC & HISTORIC RESOURCES** | The Town should conduct an inventory of wetlands to determine where, if any, wetlands that have not been mapped by the State of Vermont are located. | PC, ZBA | 1-2 years |
| The Zoning Board of Adjustment should continue to limit new development within the floodplain to recreational and agricultural uses. | ZBA | On-going |
| Support the White River Partnership water quality monitoring and watershed planning efforts for the Tweed and White Rivers. | SB, PC | On-going |
| Investigate maintaining and improving public access to the river for recreational use. | PC | On-going |
| Encourage a state funded mapping study of groundwater resources in Pittsfield. | PC, RPC | On-going |
| Encourage owners of necessary habitat for threatened species to contact the State for assistance in developing a management plan for these sites. | PC | 1-3 years |
| Identify wildlife corridors in Pittsfield. | PC | 1-3 years |
| The Town should take an active role in the next revision of the Green Mountain National Forest Plan. | SB | As needed |
| Town employees, contractors, businesses, and residents should become familiar with the best management practices to prevent the accidental spread of invasives. | PC, SB, Road Commissioner | 1-2 years |
| The Town should time roadside mowing to minimize and reduce the spread of invasive species. | Road Commissioner | On-going |
| The Select Board should consider creating a Conservation Commission. | SB | 1-2 years |
| The Select Board should consider the establishment of a conservation fund, to be administered by a Conservation Commission, for the purposes of conserving natural or culturally significant areas in Pittsfield. | SB | 1-2 years |
| **LAND USE** | Encourage owners of necessary habitat for threatened species to contact the State for assistance in developing a management plan for these sites. | SB, PC, Tree Warden | On-going |
| Encourage forest landowners to contact local foresters to help manage their land. | SB, PC, Tree Warden | On-going |
| Support the county forester and conservation commission outreach to local forester landowners. | SB, PC, Tree Warden | On-going |
| **RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PLANS** | Encourage continued communication and cooperation between Pittsfield and its neighboring towns. | SB, PC | On-going |
| Work with neighboring Towns and the region to encourage sustainable land use and environmental policies that benefits the citizens of Pittsfield. | SB, PC | On-going |
| Continue participation in the Two Rivers-Ottauquechee Regional Commission. | SB, PC | On-going |
| Exchange planning information and development data with neighboring communities as well as the Green Mountain National Forest’s agency counterparts. | SB, PC | On-going |