



Fiscal Year 2011/12

1) To have a strong and effective planning process that enhances livability, provides for orderly and sustainable growth, and that honors and preserves Sisters' western village character.

- Develop, prioritize and complete transportation projects funded through existing resources, grants and the new local fuel tax. (Highway 20/Cascade Avenue project, Safe Routes to Schools project, Main Street bike and pedestrian improvements, Highway 20 multiuse path, street maintenance program, roundabout feasibility study, etc.)
- Complete planning projects that have a short term economic or environmental benefit (i.e., park master plan update, Forest Service property development conceptual plan, development code refinements, senior housing projects, etc.)

2) To protect and celebrate the natural majestic beauty that surrounds us, sustains us, gives us our community identity, and is where we recreate.

- Complete planning projects that have a short term economic or environmental benefit (i.e., park master plan update, Forest Service property development conceptual plan, development code refinement, senior housing projects, etc.)
- Support and encourage Chamber-sponsored and other community initiatives that promote outdoor recreation (i.e. Three Sisters Scenic Bikeway designation, etc.)

3) To support our citizens through diverse economic sectors that reflect their identity, values and interests, and to provide for their well being.

- Continue to work on economic development locally and in partnership with others to create a positive support program approach to job expansion and economic development for the community.
- Study city policies which impact economic development including systems development charges, enterprise zone benefit, and identify funding for infrastructure planning and design process that are necessary for future economic development.
- Complete the renewal of the sheriff's contract for law enforcement services.



4) To create and foster opportunities where Sisters Country citizens can easily participate in civic affairs, be active and informed, and partner in community leadership.

- Continue to improve communication process between the City Council and staff (e-mail, white papers, strategic planning, quarterly report on goals, etc.)
- Increase community education, citizen involvement and outreach programs with residents to insure connectivity with the community (website, newspaper, newsletter, forums, etc.)

5) To be a professionally managed and innovative municipal government committed to promoting trust and providing the highest quality of city services.

- Continue to refine the finance/budget system that insures a balanced budget with current expenditures equal to current revenues while increasing transparency for Council and citizen understanding and oversight.
- Continue to evaluate and pursue opportunities to improve operating efficiencies and sustainability through automation, lean management, outsourcing, etc.
- Implement new projects and complete maintenance as well as adopt best management practices, including staff training and certification, to insure short and long term operation and maintenance as well as regulation compliance for all city utility facilities (i.e., water treatment, sewer treatment, meter replacement, water backflow testing and line replacement).
- Continue to develop policies on operations such as inventory of fixed assets, purchasing process, model fiscal policies, and development of model forms to insure effectiveness, efficiency, and accountability in city operations and in the way city departments interact with the community.