

# TOWN of TOLLAND/ 21 Tolland Green, Tolland, CT 06084

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# Town Council Goals – Final January 9, 2024 Through 2025

### 1. Provide efficient and high quality services in a fiscally responsible way.

- A. Support Town Manager and various stakeholders in exploring the idea of a new strategic plan
- B. Succession planning: maintain and continue
- C. ARPA: finalize use of funds, ensure execution of all funds by deadline
  - a. July 2024 Council review ARAP to ensure all funds will be spent by the end of the calendar year
- D. Save taxpayer money by prioritizing strong fiscal policies such as the AAA bond rating
- E. Supporting pay-as-you go policies for capital expense
- F. Explore regional services to find cost savings
- G. Utilize and leverage data and recommendations from DPW and public safety evaluation study
- H. Collect and baseline Resident State Trooper public safety data; establish improvements to improve public safety
- I. Encourage Resident State Trooper involvement with the community
- J. Explore and support efforts to attract more business
- K. Review Ordinance 60 recent policy change and increase communications to invite eligible residents to participate in the program
- L. Responsible management of Town-Owned properties (create inventory and database of town owned property and involve stakeholders in identifying opportunities for further land acquisition and/or un-needed property that could be sold to the public)

#### 2. Promote sound infrastructure.

- A. Advocate to replace equipment and required infrastructure improvements in a timely manner in accordance with the capital improvement plan.
- B. Complete Fire Station improvements within the project budget by Nov 2025
- C. Town Council to advocate on crumbling foundation issues
- D. Continue to pursue solutions to address well water concerns within Tolland
- E. Build a sidewalk on the Town Green

F. Continue to identify and address accessibility in public spaces throughout Town

## 3. Promote sound recreational opportunities.

- A. Utilize ARPA funds to provide reduced cost recreation service opportunities
- B. Expand services offered by our recreation center
- C. Collaborate with the Recreation Advisory Board as needed.

# 4. Engage citizenry to be committed to the betterment of the entire community:

- A. Balance among open space, residential, and economic development
- B. Support tourism efforts to attract people to town; encourage residents to utilize existing activities within town
- C. Improve transparency and communication to the public regarding the town budget process
- D. Use the recommendations from the Mental Health Task Force to inform service offerings from Human Service office
- E. Track Human Services offerings to support town residents, identify any unmet need
  - a. Senior Center activities
  - b. Youth prevention council
  - c. Various state support programs
  - d. Other programs as needed
- F. Provide opportunity for increased community engagement
- G. Review and develop policies and activities to support inclusivity and unity for a safe and welcome environment for all Tolland Residents
- H. Fostering a positive community facilitated through civic engagement, town sponsored events, etc