Town of Vienna 2019 Strategic Plan Honing Excellence in an Exceptional Hometown

A vision of and commitment to excellence

Frequently included at the top of "best places to live in Virginia" lists and rated by 98% of its residents as an excellent/good place to raise children (2018 National Citizen Survey), the Town of Vienna is clearly a desirable place to call "home." Vienna residents generally are extremely proud of their hometown and deeply invested in the community and its overall wellbeing.

It's clear that Vienna in 2019 is a safe, vibrant, inclusive community with neighborly charm, hometown pride — and some challenges. It's also clear that in the future Vienna can do, can *be*, even better. To that end, Town Council and staff members undertook efforts in 2018 to develop this strategic plan as a roadmap to continued excellence and a commitment to establishing and undertaking priorities that get the Town traveling toward the community it envisions itself to be almost a quarter-century down the road.

Town Council has established a vision for Vienna as a community that is:

- fiscally responsible
- safe
- efficiently mobile
- economically prosperous
- influential and well-governed
- engaged
- environmentally sustainable
- complete

Creating a roadmap to the future

It's no secret that local governments rely on planning documents as tools to better manage growth or traffic, for example, or to determine future land uses. A strategic plan is a little bit different in that it goes to the heart of what defines a community – using a broad brush, it outlines, at least in the Town of Vienna's case, the services and priorities that will shape and distinguish the community in the decade or two ahead. A living management tool, this strategic plan defines the kind of community that Town Council aspires Vienna to be and lays out the roadmap or steps identified by the Town to arrive at that lofty destination. While this strategic plan describes a community of the future – and ensures that all Town of Vienna parties, in this case, are driving toward this commonly agreed upon destination – it also provides day-to-day direction for employees, a playbook that helps shape the services they provide and initiatives they undertake.

Vienna's strategic plan will help guide the Town's budget process. It provides an opportunity to prioritize fund allocation in ways that support achieving the Town's strategic goals. The budget is the tool that will help make Vienna's strategic plan a reality.

The strategic plan itself is a critical tool and an important end-product. But much of the value of strategic planning is in the process and byproducts of that process. In creating this strategic plan, the Town not only engaged Councilmembers regularly, but also, for the first time, allowed employees a significant role in the development process. Vienna's process included some thoughtful conversations, a few late nights, and even a couple of stumbling blocks. But it resulted in a common vision as well as opportunities to team-build, work across departmental lines and envision organization-wide, and engender for employees a heightened sense of value.

Vienna's strategic plan timeline

- In late 2017, the Town contracted with Craig Gerhart, a University of Virginia adjunct faculty member serving the Virginia Institute of Government and former Prince William County executive, to lead its strategic planning process.
- Town Council met January 16, 2018 to create a strategic vision for Vienna.
- On February 21, Craig Gerhart provided training to Town directors on establishing focus-area, staff-based teams to develop strategic goal recommendations to achieve Council's vision. Teams were tasked with researching topic areas and current conditions; assessing strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and challenges; and drafting proposed goals and strategies for Council's consideration.
- Strategic plan themes discerned from the January work session were presented to Council March 5.
- With focus areas confirmed, staff policy teams met March through May.
- Staff teams presented "white papers," providing data, ideas, and recommendations related to focus areas to Town Council at a May 29 work session.
- Town Council began to draft strategic goals at a June 11 work session.
- Town Council reviewed and arrived at consensus on strategic plan goals at a September 4 work session.
- The process turned back to staff teams to develop potential strategies for Council's consideration.
- An all-employee Brunch & Brainstorming event was held December 17 to share proposed strategies and obtain employee feedback and additional ideas.
- Team leaders presented proposed strategies and action steps to Town Council at a January 15, 2019 work session. Incorporating feedback from Council, staff continued to work on refining strategies and action steps.
- A draft of the strategic plan was presented at an April 3 work session.
- The strategic plan was adopted at the April 29, 2019 Town Council meeting.

Terms and timelines

Vision – Looking 10-20 years out, what kind of community does the Town of Vienna strive to shape? What defines the Vienna community in 2030 and beyond?

Goals – Planned, broad, achievable targets in a 4+ -year timeframe that will support the Town's vision.

Strategies and action steps – Specific projects, programs, or actions that Town staff will utilize over a 2-4 year period, and sometimes longer, to achieve goals and the Town's vision.

Town of Vienna 2019 Strategic Plan goals



Vienna as a fiscally responsible community

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Vienna as a safe community

Vienna will ensure a safe community by improving traffic and pedestrian/bicycle safety as well as reducing crime through community engagement and education, investing in public safety technology and facilities, and emphasizing cybersecurity and emergency management.

Strategic Plan

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Vienna as an influential and wellgoverned community

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Vienna as an engaged community

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Vienna as an environmentally sustainable community

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Vienna as a complete community

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Strategies and action items

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| Strategy (Objective) | Action Steps | Target Date | Lead Responsibility |
|---|--|-------------|--|
| | Formalize budget tracking and reporting | 2019 | Finance |
| | Develop a five-year operating budget forecast. | 2020 | Finance |
| Maintain the Town's AAA bond rating. | Develop departmental performance measures, focusing on outcomes and relationship to the budget. | 2020 | Finance, Town Manager, All Departments |
| And solid facilig. | Start a revenue stabilization fund to hedge against potential economic downturns. | 2020 | Finance |
| | Develop a facilities reserve fund for needed physical asset replacements (e.g., roofs, boilers, HVAC, etc.) | 2020 | Finance, Public Works |
| Ensure that Town policies and practices | Review and update as necessary the Town's financial policies (debt limit, investment guidelines, rainy day fund and guidelines, etc.). | 2021 | Finance |
| meet current finance and local government best standards. | Consider raising the purchase order limit. | 2023 | Finance, Town Council |

| Strategy (Objective) | Action Steps | Target Date | Lead Responsibility |
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| | Annually review departmental | Ongoing | Finance, Parks and |
| | fee structures to ensure that | | Recreation, Planning |
| | they are keeping pace with | | and Zoning, Public |
| | other localities. | | Works |
| | Periodically audit business | 2020 | |
| | license revenue reports, using | | Finance |
| | temporary, part-time staff. | | |
| Explore strategies to | | | |
| decrease costs and | Develop cross-functional | 2021 | |
| increase revenues. | Town teams to develop cost- | | Finance, Cross- |
| | saving plans. | | Functional Teams |
| | | | |
| | Explore possibility of | 2021 | |
| | outsourcing certain functions | | Finance |
| | as a cost-saving strategy. | | |
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| | Devote more staffing | 2023 | |
| | resources to research possible | | Finance, Public Works |
| | grants. | | |
| | Create a website page or | 2020 | Economic |
| | section that provides | | Development, Town |
| | information related to | | Manager, |
| | economic development data | | Communications, |
| Diversify the Town's tax | and opportunities. | | |
| base. | | | |
| | Partner with Town Business | 2021 | Economic |
| | Liaison Committee and Vienna | | Development, Town |
| | Business Association to | | Manager, Finance, |
| | develop economic | | Planning and Zoning |
| | development strategies. | | |

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| | Increase officer visibility through full staffing and directed patrols. | Ongoing | Police |
| Maintain low crime rates and reduce crime rates where possible, specifically focusing on property crimes and crimes targeting the | Utilize communication tools, community outreach programs, and officer training to promote crime prevention efforts, including to middle and high school students. | Ongoing | Police, Communications |
| elderly. | Develop and implement an "Eyes on Vienna" staff-based crime watch/ambassador program. | 2020 | Police, Staff Safety Team, Human Resources |
| | Consider implementing employee "see something, say something" training program and Neighborhood Watch programs. | 2021 | Police, Human Resources |
| Improve traffic and | Implement targeted traffic enforcement strategies, focusing on high-risk areas, and DUI enforcement. | Ongoing | Police |
| pedestrian/bicycle safety, reduce crashes. | Host prevention and education programs and messaging. | Ongoing | Police, Communications |
| | Review safety violations and enforcement behaviors. | Ongoing | Police |

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| Strengthen community | Support community events. | Ongoing | Police, Parks and Recreation, Public Works, Communications |
| partnerships and promote positive citizen- | Utilize social media. | Ongoing | Police, Communications |
| police engagement opportunities. | Work with fire department to establish a Town-wide "Adopt a Hydrant" program, through which homeowners clear snow & trim grass from around hydrants. | 2023+ | Police, Public Works, Parks and Recreation, Communications |
| | Ensure that community, especially neighbors, are well informed about progress and impacts of construction of the new police headquarters. | Ongoing | Police, Communications |
| | Identify and utilize next wave of technology and ensure that facilities can adapt. | Ongoing | IT, Police |
| Invest in public safety technology and facilities as well as cybersecurity tools. | Provide ongoing training to staff regarding safe network environment and strategies. | Ongoing | IT, Police |
| toois. | Review and update IT policies to better protect the network and staff and to reflect changes in technology. | Ongoing | IT, Police |
| | Deliver on budget and on time a new police station that effectively and efficiently serves police and community needs. | 2019-2022 | Police, Finance, Public Works, IT |
| | Implement security improvements to IT infrastructure to ward against threats. | 2020 | IT |

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| | Meet regularly with and provide training to Town's emergency management | Ongoing | Police, Town Manager, Public Works, Communications |
| Continue to develop emergency management | responders. | | |
| facilities and best- practices strategies. | Create an emergency management operations center in new police facility. | 2022 | Police, IT, Communications |
| | Share emergency preparedness plans, demos with community. | 2023 | Police, Communications |

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| | Implement and promote strategies identified in the Pedestrian Master Plan. | Ongoing | Public Works, Staff Leadership Team, |
| | Implement and promote safety improvements. | Ongoing | Public Works, Communications |
| | Pursue grant sources for pedestrian and bicycle projects. | Ongoing | Public Works |
| Identify and promote | Prioritize sidewalk projects, especially those that create jurisdictional connections. | Ongoing | Public Works |
| alternative transportation (pedestrian and bicycle) options. | Incorporate wider sidewalks as part of MAC code amendments. | 2019 | Planning and Zoning, Town Council |
| options. | Investigate use of e-bikes and scooters. | 2020 | Public Works |
| | Utilize new technologies to enhance traffic signal timing in order to improve pedestrian crossing of Maple Avenue. | 2021 | Public Works |
| | Identify locations for new traffic signals and pedestrian-controlled crossings, especially along Maple Avenue. | 2021-2023 | Public Works |
| | Investigate ridesharing options between localities, to local Metro stations, and to key locations in Town. | 2023+ | Public Works |

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| | Identify locations for bicycle parking and bike-sharing stations. | 2019 | Public Works, Parks and Recreation, Planning and Zoning |
| | Identify funding opportunities for a planned, phased approach to underground all overhead utility lines. | 2021 | Town Manager, Public Works, Finance, Planning and Zoning |
| Support and improve active transportation (pedestrian, bicycle facilities, wayfinding) to enhance economic | Partner with Vienna Public Arts Commission to paint entertaining images on sidewalks, crosswalks, storm drains, and along W&OD Trail to make walking more fun. | 2021+ | Parks and Recreation, Public Works, Planning and Zoning |
| vitality and placemaking. | Use public art, lighting, crosswalks, and other unique strategies to make the commercial corridor more walkable and create better connections. | 2022 | Public Works, Parks and Recreation, Planning and Zoning |
| | Implement wayfinding signage and other gateway strategies, such as arches and monuments, to identify key entry points to the Maple Avenue commercial corridor. | 2023+ | Planning and Zoning |
| Encourage safe walking and bicycling for fun, health, fitness, and | Utilize GPS mapping to provide information about infrastructures in and around Town. | Ongoing | Public Works |
| transportation. | Create educational materials, programs, and events. | 2021+ | Public Works, Police, Communications |
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| Strategy (Objective) | Action Steps | Target Date | Lead Responsibility |
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| | Identify and implement traffic- calming options. | Ongoing | Public Works |
| | Incorporate alternative methods of transportation within street redesigns. | Ongoing | Public Works |
| | Identify strategies to reduce neighborhood cut-throughs. | Ongoing | Public Works, Planning and Zoning, Police |
| Identify and promote options that enhance the vehicular travel experience within Vienna. | Promote public parking facility as a means to also support alternative transportation modes and encourage more walking between downtown destinations. | 2020-2022+ | Public Works, Town Manager, Communications |
| | Conduct parking studies at crucial locations and identify parking options in congested locations. | 2020-2024 | Public Works, Planning and Zoning, Police |
| | Create a street maintenance plan to manage improvements and repairs. | 2021 | Public Works |
| | Incorporate and promote a "complete streets" policy. | 2023+ | Public Works, Planning and Zoning, Police, Communications |

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| | Encourage more diverse housing stock to attract diverse populations and allow residents to age in place. | Ongoing | Planning and Zoning, Town Council |
| Update Town's zoning code. | Issue an RFP for consultant to lead this process. | 2019 | Planning and Zoning, Finance |
| | Engage staff, Council, boards, and citizens in update process. | 2020-2022 | Planning and Zoning |
| | Update signage policies. | 2020-2022 | Planning and Zoning, Town Council |
| | Adopt an updated code. | 2022 | Town Council |
| | Hire an economic development manager. | 2019 | Staff Leadership Team |
| | Undertake an economic development strategy and market study. | 2019-2020 | Town Manager, Econ. Dev., Finance, Planning and Zoning |
| Create an environment that encourages a healthy balance of businesses. Promote | Promote business meet-and-greets. | 2020 | Economic Development Economic |
| independent, locally owned businesses. | Based on market study, create an economic development plan. | 2021 | Development, Staff Leadership Team |
| | Create a Restaurant Week and other theme weeks to help promote businesses. | 2021 | Economic Development |
| | Install wayfinding signage to identify public parking, public restrooms, Town services, points of interest. | 2022 | Public Works, Planning and Zoning, Economic Development, Communications |

| Strategy (Objective) | Action Steps | Target Date | Lead Responsibility |
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| | Consider and implement link on Town website to available commercial properties. | 2021 | Finance, Communications, IT |
| Reduce commercial vacancies and increase commercial footprint. | Explore with property owners options for short-term rental, other uses (such as pop-up retail or art displays). | 2021 | Economic Development |
| commercial rootprint. | Promote work-sharing spaces, micro-businesses, and office incubators. | 2022+ | Economic Development |
| | Consider targeted tax incentives (for small businesses, renovations, art district, etc.) | 2023+ | Finance, Economic Development, Town Council |
| | Partner with other organizations to provide centralized public parking facility, especially those that can support mixed uses, additional business opportunities. | 2020 | Town Manager, Economic Development, Planning and Zoning, Finance |
| Implement strategies | Expand Small Business Saturday shopping program. | 2020 | Economic Development |
| that encourage residents to shop locally and regional citizens to visit- shop-dine in Vienna. | Create a mobile app or other device that offers interactive business/parking map. | 2022 | IT, Economic Development, Finance, Communications |
| | Create a Vienna dining and restaurant guide to encourage take out, support local businesses. | 2022 | Economic Development, Communications, Finance |
| | Encourage more utilization, visibility of Town Green by considering an interactive water feature, installing furniture, and other unique opportunities. | 2023 | Parks and Recreation, Public Works, Economic Development |
| | Host additional events (such as a Chocolate Escape) that feature businesses. | 2023+ | Parks and Recreation, Economic Development |

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| | Identify 2-3 core business | 2020 | Staff Leadership Team |
| | processes for analysis and | | |
| Assess business | improvement | | |
| processes to determine | | | |
| which need | Identify, train, and launch | 2020 | Town Manager, Human |
| improvement and | cross-functional teams to | | Resources, Cross- |
| implement | assess identified processes | | Functional Teams |
| recommended | and offer recommendations | | |
| improvements. | for improvements. | | |
| | Implement improvements | 2021 | Impacted |
| | implement improvements | 2021 | Department(s) |
| | Establish cross-departmental | 2020 | Staff Leadership Team, |
| | "knowledge" team(s). | 2020 | Human Resources |
| Assess organizational | Knowledge team(s). | | Traman Resources |
| training gaps – including | Identify knowledge base and | 2020 | Knowledge Teams, Staff |
| need for training staff in | gaps. | | Leadership Team, |
| process examination | 0.1. | | Human Resources |
| and analysis to make | | | |
| cross-functional teams | Identify training required to | 2021 | Knowledge Teams, |
| more effective – and | fill gaps. | | Human Resources |
| develop a plan to | | | |
| address these gaps. | Implement training plan. | 2021 | Human Resources, Staff |
| | | | Leadership Team, |
| | | | Knowledge Teams |
| | Establish committee and | 2021 | Town Council |
| | bylaws and appoint members | | |
| | to a Town Legislative | | |
| | Committee to monitor state | | |
| Implement strategies to | legislative issues and make | | |
| extend Vienna's | recommendations related to | | |
| presence, reputation, | Town's annual legislative | | |
| and contributions on a | agenda. | | |
| regional, state, and national level. | Dayslan and identify funding | 2021- 2022 | Communications, Town |
| וומנוטוומו ופעפו. | Develop and identify funding to implement a public | 2021- 2022 | Manager, Staff |
| | relations plan to enhance | | Leadership Team |
| | Vienna's reputation on a | | Leadership ream |
| | regional, state, and national | | |
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| Develop a proactive, thoughtful, "take it to them where they are" process for | Research how other communities engage with residents. | 2019 | Staff Leadership Team, Communications, Economic Development, Public Works, Planning and Zoning |
| community engagement on land-use decisions, large public works projects, and other issues that may be controversial or have significant impact on citizens. | Form a cross-departmental committee to draft criteria to be considered when determining engagement strategies, a range of engagement training activities, and staff. | 2020- 2021 | Communications, Planning and Zoning, Public Works, Economic Development |
| | Implement community engagement process. | 2021 | Communications, Planning and Zoning, Public Works, Economic Development |
| | Create a cross-functional team to develop a series of programs that bring Town Hall representatives into the community on a monthly basis. | 2020 | Town Manager, Town Council, Staff Leadership Team, Cross-Functional Team |
| Explore and create programming that provides additional engagement opportunities to citizens. | Develop and offer a Vienna 101 citizens academy, to include police and finance modules at a minimum. | Launch 2022 | Town Manager, Human Resources, Communications, All Departments |
| | Provide staff training so that all frontline personnel can answer residents' most frequently asked questions. | 2021 | Human Resources, Communications, Cross-Functional Team, All Departments |
| | Establish a study committee to consider how to increase voter participation. | 2022 | Town Council, Staff Leadership Team |

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|-----------------------------|--|-------------|---------------------|
| | Utilize Facebook Live and post short videos on | 2019 | Communications, IT |
| Maintain and enhance | Facebook. | | |
| communication tools | | | |
| currently utilized and | Redesign the Town's website, | Launch 2020 | Communications, IT, |
| explore engagement | making it more user friendly | | All Departments |
| opportunities/effectiveness | and easier to navigate. | | |
| offered by Internet-based | | | |
| and other engagement | Consider implementation of | 2020 | Communications, IT |
| tools. | online community | | |
| | engagement tools such as | | |
| | Bang the Table. | | |

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| Reduce energy usage in Town facilities and operations. | Purchase/lease additional alternative fuel vehicles for Town fleet. | Ongoing | Public Works |
| | Convert Town facility lights to LED. | Ongoing | Public Works |
| | Explore establishing a sustainability coordinator position or absorbing associated tasks within existing staff. | 2019-2020 | Town Council, Public Works |
| | Establish a vehicle idling reduction program for Town fleet. | 2020 | Public Works |
| | Utilize equipment, technology, and strategies to more efficiently manage ballfield lights. | 2020 | Parks and Recreation |
| | Coordinate with Fairfax County and Dominion Energy to convert streetlights to LED. | 2020 | Public Works |
| Increase the number of and improve green spaces. | Identify surplus Town properties for potential use as pocket parks. | 2020 | Parks and Recreation, Planning and Zoning |
| | Evaluate feasibility of vegetative roof systems. | 2021 | Public Works, Parks and Recreation |
| | Develop a Parks Master Plan. | 2022 | Parks and Recreation, Planning and Zoning |
| | Identify and utilize funding streams for greenspace. | 2023+ | Parks and Recreation, Finance, Town Manager |

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| | Encourage food/leaf composting at home. | 2020 | Public Works |
| Reduce volume of solid waste collected. | Consider piloting a food waste compost program. | 2020/ Launch 2021 | Public Works |
| | Promote recycling. Investigate alternatives for glass recycling. | 2021 | Public Works |
| Work to preserve and restore environmental | Continue stream restorations and best-practices projects, such as rain gardens, to improve runoff water quality and quantity. | Ongoing | Public Works |
| features to more natural states. | Promote native plants in restoration projects. | Ongoing | Parks and Recreation |
| | Partner with Northern Virginia Soil Conservation Board and other organizations to leverage resources and support projects. | Ongoing | Parks and Recreation, Public Works |

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| Encourage unique placemaking through high-quality development, public art, and enhanced public spaces. | Promote historic buildings, cemeteries, and areas via a printed and online brochure. | 2021 | Parks and Recreation |
| | Identify appropriate location for reinstallation of bocce ball court. | 2022 | Parks and Recreation |
| | Pursue feasibility of interactive water feature at Town Green. | 2022 | Parks and Recreation |
| | Develop a Public Art Master Plan. | 2023 | Parks and Recreation, Planning and Zoning |
| | Create, obtain, and maintain a public art project that actively engages the community. | 2023+ | Parks and Recreation, Staff Leadership Team |
| | Install a sensory playground for children with disabilities. | 2024+ | Parks and Recreation |
| Increase the quality and quantity of event programming. | Enhance event sponsorship opportunities for local businesses. | Ongoing | Parks and Recreation, Economic Development |
| | Explore and develop new events and locations. | 2020-2023 | Parks and Recreation |
| | Formalize Town's alcohol policy for events and public spaces. | 2021 | Parks and Recreation, Town Manager |
| | Expand concert series and other Town Green events. | 2021 | Parks and Recreation |
| | Develop an annual arts and entertainment publication. | 2022 | Parks and Recreation, Communications |
| | Explore increasing event funding and staffing on a net neutral basis. | 2022 | Parks and Recreation |

Moving forward

Town of Vienna staff members are energized and excited about the goals that have been shaped and strategies developed as well as the sense of ownership and teamwork forged through the strategic planning process. We look forward to the opportunity to take on new strategies and report back to Council and the community on progress made. As implementers of Town Council's vision, we are grateful for the direction and support provided by Town Council.

Vienna's 2019 Strategic Plan was adopted by Town Council April 29, 2019.

Vienna Town Council

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