

ARTICLE I Purposes

§ 250-1. General purposes.

The zoning regulations and districts herein set forth and as outlined upon the map made a part of this chapter are made in accordance with a comprehensive plan for the purpose of promoting the public health, safety, convenience, order, prosperity and general welfare of the community. They have been made with reasonable consideration, among other things, as to the character of each district and its suitability for particular uses, and with a view toward conserving the value of buildings and encouraging the most appropriate use of land throughout the Town.

§ 250-2. Objectives.

The objectives of this chapter are as follows:

- A. To provide adequate light, air and privacy, to secure safety from fire, floods, and other dangers and to prevent overcrowding of the land and undue congestion of population.
- B. To prevent the pollution of streams, ponds, and all other water resources, and to encourage the wise use and sound management of natural resources throughout the Town in order to preserve the integrity, stability, and beauty of the community, the integrity of the natural environment, and the value of the land.
- C. To facilitate the provision of water supply, sewage disposal, school, park and other public facilities and services that will meet the residents' basic needs and improve opportunities for community activities.
- D. To provide a safe and efficient transportation system, while preserving the Town's scenic and historic roadside features.
- E. To allow economic opportunities that are consistent with the primarily rural, residential character of the Town.
- F. To enhance the appearance of the Town as a whole, by ensuring that all development shall be orderly and beneficial to the Town, and by permitting appropriate uses and review of site plans.
- G. To provide a broader range of housing sizes and types in appropriate locations for all Clinton's residents, including young people, the elderly, and households which earn less than the median income.
- H. To preserve the Town's historic elements and character by protecting existing historic buildings and ensuring that new development is in harmony with existing historic character.
- I. To protect and promote the continuation of agriculture as an economic activity, a land use, and a method of maintaining open space.
- J. To promote a pattern of development that reinforces the community's hamlets, discourages strip commercial development, and preserves the Town's rural character.

- K. To preserve the visual beauty of the Town by encouraging development below ridgelines and maintaining critical viewsheds. [**Added 3-28-2000 by L.L. No. 1-2000**]
- L. To promote and protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Town.¹

1. Editor's Note: Added at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I).