

COMMUNITY CHARACTER AND ECONOMIC VITALITY

COMMUNITY CHARACTER

- ▶ Silverton and SJC is a place where everyone is welcome regardless of economic circumstances, age or appearance.
 - ▶ Keep franchises out of Silverton.
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ECONOMIC VITALITY

PHYSICAL IMPROVEMENTS

- ▶ Parallel Parking would facilitate increase site visibility at intersections
- ▶ More visitor amenities and necessities: bathrooms, wheelchair access, stroller rentals.
- ▶ Improve the entrance to town on roads.
- ▶ Need to treat the train entrance as a gateway into town.
- ▶ Town and county government buildings set a good example using solar, geothermal, and other alternative energy sources.
- ▶ Better signage
- ▶ Plan must balance Greene and Blair Street opportunities and interests

TOURISM

- ▶ Consider originating a train from Silverton
- ▶ Need more pillows to generate extended stays

ECONOMIC DIVERSITY

- ▶ Economic Vitality needs to go beyond tourism and include research and education (like MSI) and innovating/making toys to play in the snow.
- ▶ Need more pillows to generate extended stays.
- ▶ How will we attract more small businesses?
- ▶ Balance year round jobs for year round residents with tourism
- ▶ More support for sustainable businesses, less focus on motor sports because they are negatively impacting the backcountry.
- ▶ Actively recruit and attract cottage industries rather than expanding on tourism.
- ▶ Double jobs by 2020
- ▶ Need manufacturing jobs who sell outside of San Juan County to bring in new dollars.

PLANNING PROCESS

- ▶ Plan must balance Greene and Blair Street opportunities and interests
- ▶ Include Blair St. Businesses on the Working Group.

TRANSPORTATION AND CORE INFRASTRUCTURE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT AND SCENERY

TRANSPORTATION AND CORE INFRASTRUCTURE

COUNTY ROADS.

- ▶ County roads are for recreation, but no ATVs in Town.
- ▶ Grandfather/secure hiking trails and roads, don't let land owners gate them.
- ▶ County roads should not be obligated to allow access of private property.
- ▶ Tourist-based recreation should be balanced with desires of locals on county roads, control ATVs!
- ▶ County roads provide a setting for non-motorized uses and access to non-motorized uses.
- ▶ Create a parking area for ATVs outside of town limits.

INFRASTRUCTURE

- ▶ Not just high speed internet, fiber optic.
 - ▶ Need drainage improvements
 - ▶ Pedestrian/cobblestone four-way at 12th and Empire.
 - ▶ What does it mean to provide our own utilities and sources?
 - ▶ Even towns in Mexico have free WiFi.
 - ▶ Yes on the shuttle busses.
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NATURAL ENVIRONMENT AND SCENERY

SCENIC RESOURCES

- ▶ People come for natural beauty, we need to emphasize that above all else.
- ▶ Dark skies can remain dark with attractive street lights
- ▶ Turn down lights to protect dark skies.
- ▶ Not only darks skies, but quiet trails.
- ▶ Non-dark skies are made dark.
- ▶ We achieve dark skies and then maintain them.
- ▶ Darken Silverton skies.
- ▶ Utilities need to be buried.

ENVIRONMENT

- ▶ Clean-up mining messes that aren't being restored for historic purposes
- ▶ Water quality is only 50% fixable and air quality is only 20% in our control.
- ▶ Clean-up mining waste-it not part of the cultural landscape, it's junk.
- ▶ Clean-up mining contamination in town.

TOWN AND MINING CLAIM LAND USE

TOWN LAND USE

DOWNTOWN.

- ▶ Blair Street is “downtown” in our view.
- ▶ What happens to Blair street, is it part of what you call “downtown”? Blair street needs to be considered part of downtown just the same as Greene Street.
- ▶ Vision: Old Town on Blair St. attracts visitors

ENTRANCE TO SILVERTON

- ▶ On the industrial park idea, keep the entry to town via car and train attractive.
- ▶ Be watchful of the entrance to town, it is very important.
- ▶ Improve the gateway into town.
- ▶ Make a roundabout at the Y, it is dangerous as is.

DENSITY AND USE

- ▶ Limit sq. ft. of homes in town, keep in character of town heritage, no mansions.
- ▶ Dense development close to downtown, residential areas protected from incompatible uses.
- ▶ Allow accessory dwelling units to get more affordable housing.
- ▶ Zoning needs to be re-thought, (i.e. riverfront property mixed with commercial, business development property).

MINING CLAIM LAND USE

DEVELOPMENT OF STRUCTURES

- ▶ No development in environmentally sensitive areas, no development in areas not accessible year-round.
- ▶ Vital to protect skyline and visual impacts along highway.
- ▶ Stop subdividing 10 acre parcels into two five acre parcels to lessen impacts.
- ▶ Backcountry development is limited, cluster housing in town. (2)
- ▶ Prohibit building in environmentally sensitive areas.
- ▶ Alpine zoning, a necessity. No or little building above timberline.

ROADS AND ACCESS

- ▶ Road access is protected, new property owners do not gate our roads.
- ▶ Keep motorized vehicles on roads
- ▶ Access is preserved.

MINING

- ▶ Clean-up mine sites with no historic value or well-preserved structures.
- ▶ Emphasize –responsible- mining activity .

RECREATION

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DEVELOP RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES.

- ▶ Eureka should be a park run by the local government (s) (2)
- ▶ Mark the trails to be more friendly for visitors.
- ▶ Research options for ATV trails in town, need more to do in town.
- ▶ Create a town parks and recreation department .
- ▶ Trail network from town needs to progress.
- ▶ Terrain park for Kendall Ski Area.
- ▶ Expand on existing outdoor recreation: Kendall Ski Area, Trails, River park, ice park
- ▶ School gym/community recreation center is in progress.
- ▶ Limits on outdoor recreation may be necessary to preserve the natural environment.
- ▶ Backcountry recreation and tourism is our economic future, protect special vistas and open space.
- ▶ Partner with the railroad to protect the river corridor while creating recreation opportunities.
- ▶ More opportunities for ATV recreation.
- ▶ Public lands campgrounds should be free.

BALANCE MOTORIZED AND NON-MOTORIZED OPPORTUNITIES.

- ▶ Need separate motorized areas and non-motorized areas for quiet/solitude non-motorized experiences.
- ▶ We need less motorized use in the winter and summer (ATVs dominate the landscape).
- ▶ Manage motorized use to protect the environment and peacefulness of town.

HERITAGE AND THE ARTS
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- ▶ Budget line for arts support
- ▶ Arts and other events are well publicized in the region and for tourism.

HEALTHY, DIVERSE, AND EDUCATED COMMUNITY

- ▶ Need to make the vision to have year-round, full-time doctor-level healthcare available in town. (3)