
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN VILLAGE OF ANGELICA

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I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This document represents the cumulative efforts of scores of community volunteers who first began a comprehensive planning process for Angelica in 1999. At that time, a survey of residents yielded a list of fifteen “Community Priorities.” One of these was the need for a plan for Angelica’s future.

In 2006, a board of volunteers was authorized by the Town and Village boards to resume and complete the Comprehensive Plan. Committees brainstormed ideas to address these community priorities. These ideas were developed into nearly fifty project Task Sheets. After much work these were decreased to those that can be found in the appendices. The Task Sheets are specific planning sheets that act as implementation plans for each idea. (See Appendices)

After a public hearing, the Town and Village boards ratified the plan. It is to be used as a guide to prioritize capital and administrative projects over a period of up to ten years. It is also meant to be used by community volunteers and organizations to help guide their work over the same period.

A Comprehensive Plan does not include every project that should or could be undertaken, and may include some that, for a variety of reasons, cannot be addressed within the time frame. It is a living document that records community priorities at a given point in time, but that can accommodate changes, updates, or revisions to those priorities as they occur. The 2007 Plan was ratified in October of 2007.

In 2019 the NYSDEC asked to create a new State Forest in the Town. Shortly thereafter a developer indicated that they were looking to create a solar facility on the western edge of the Town of Angelica also. In the Village a number of businesses were struggling to continue with the closure of the longtime Hardware in the Village, a restaurant and the decreasing of hours of the bank. A developer indicated that they were interested in creating a new store on the eastern area of the Village. The Village Board discussed what they could do to improve the economic climate of the Village while maintaining the Historic aspects of the community. It was noted that the combined Town and Village Comprehensive Plan was now twelve years old and in need of an update. In 2019 the community started the update process of the Comprehensive Plan at a meeting with the Village Board in November 7, 2019. At this meeting the Village Board approved moving forward with updating the Comprehensive Plan and making the new version only a Village of Angelica Comprehensive Plan due to time constraints. The Town will consider doing an update to their plan in 2020. A draft plan was released at the end of November of the updated plan for the community to review. At a meeting of the Village Board on January 6, 2020 the SEQR was started with the Village Board acting as Lead Agency. At a regular meeting held on January 21, 2020, a public hearing was set. The Public Hearing was held on February 18, 2020. At a meeting on February 18, 2020 the Board completed the SEQR and voted to approve the revised Village of Angelica Comprehensive Plan.

II. COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING PROCESS OVERALL MISSION:

To preserve, protect and enhance the quality of life of the residents of Angelica.

COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING PROCESS

The idea of creating a Comprehensive Plan for Angelica was first discussed in February, 1999 with Southern Tier West (STW) Regional Planning and Development staff. Two months later, STW staff held a community meeting on the subject, in conjunction with the Town and Village of Angelica. About 50 people participated in a SWOT (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats) exercise, generating a list of items believed to be important to the community.

In July 1999 a survey outlining these items was mailed to 600 addressees, with nearly 200 responding. The following results were compiled from their responses:

Community Priorities - 1999

1. Maintain our inexpensive electric
2. Preserve our drinking water
3. Reuse old school building
4. Have a low crime rate
5. Need of a plan for Angelica's future
6. Maintain and enhance downtown
7. Support local businesses
8. Improve employment opportunities
9. Concerned with costs of improvements
10. Maintain our local paper (Booster News)
11. Important to have community involvement
12. Recruit volunteers for Fire Dept., etc.
13. Maintain Angelica's own post office and zip code
14. Improve banking service in Angelica
15. The promotion of Angelica on I-86

Community members were asked to meet again to determine priorities and then develop goals, strategies and results for each priority. The results were reviewed at a meeting in March, 2000. Unfortunately after that meeting the process lost steam and no further work was done on the plan. However, many projects and ideas that had been discussed during the planning process were taken up by individuals, businesses and local governments. Even though the plan itself was not finished, several items were accomplished.

In March 2006 a small group gathered to restart the comprehensive planning process. They made a request to Town and Village boards that they create an official Angelica Comprehensive Planning (ACP) Board. In June, 2006 both municipal boards approved resolutions to this effect. Kier Dirlam was named chairman of the ACP board.

A general start-up meeting of the ACP board was held in late June. In July, the board split into five sub-groups to work on details of the plan.

A grant request to the STW Foundation resulted in the ACP board receiving \$500 to assist in the development of the Comprehensive Plan. Funds were used to inform residents by mail of progress to date, and to invite them to a public meeting on January 9, 2007.

A final version of the plan was submitted for public comment at a public hearing during the summer of 2007. The document was then given to the Town and Village boards for their ratification. A copy of the official adoption resolutions will be attached in the appendices.

PRIORITIES:

The following five priorities for the future of Angelica were developed from survey results. In keeping with New York State law, these priority categories were expanded to incorporate state requirements for Village comprehensive planning.

Public Safety and Health Services:

Emergency services; police; community health

Development:

Land use guidelines; building/enhancing infrastructure; developing new business; location of commercial and industrial activities; promotion of Angelica as a place to live, work, invest

Historic/Cultural/Natural Resources:

Preservation of historic and cultural assets; agricultural interests; protection and preservation of natural resources; addressing sensitive environmental and coastal areas

Parks, Recreation and Housing:

Parks, playgrounds and other recreational areas; County fairgrounds; County/State lands; housing issues; code enforcement issues

Community Pride:

Beautification; enhancements to community life.

III. TOWN AND VILLAGE BACKGROUND

A. HISTORY

According to the book *Allegany and its people A Centennial Memorial History* Published in 1896: “Settlement was begun at Angelica in 1801 by Judge Church, and in a number of instances land was sold and boundaries established in advance of the subdivision of the tract.” Page 70; “In 1802 Captain Church sent Evert Van Wickle to select a site for a village and begin settlement.

The site was determined upon, and also the name for the embryonic village. With filial reverence and affection he named the place, the first village in Allegany County, for his mother, Angelica, the eldest daughter of General Philip Schuyler. The same year a store was established, the first in the county by Capt. Church, his friend John Gibson conducting it.” Page 71.

At the direction of Philip Church, Evert Van Wickle laid out the Village as an example of solid planning. The central circle held a park around which stood the important buildings in community life: the county building, jail, various churches, and a school. All streets sprang from this circle in the early days. The original plan is still in obvious evidence today.

Philip Church built his mansion about two miles southwest of Angelica Village looking over the Genesee River. It endures to this day and is visible from County Route 20 when the leaves are off. The house is privately owned and rarely opens to the public. The Van Wickle house also still stands today. It is the oldest and first frame house west of Bath, NY.

When counties were established in New York State in 1683, what is now known as Allegany County was part of an enormous county that included the northern part of New York State as well as all of the present State of Vermont. Allegany County was formed in 1806, split off from this larger entity.

The Town of Angelica was incorporated in 1805. It predates the formation of the county and is the oldest town in Allegany County. Angelica was the county seat from 1807 to 1860. For a few years this honor was shared between Belmont and Angelica; later the county seat was officially changed to Belmont.

During the 1800's, local industry included paper mills, grist mills and woolen mills; a brick yard; wagon and machine shops; and dairy farms. By 1830, the town population had reached 998. The Village of Angelica was incorporated in 1835.

Several churches were established in succession: Presbyterian in 1812, Episcopal and Methodist in 1827, Baptist in 1834, and Catholic in 1844. These houses of worship were rebuilt over time; the Catholic Church on Angelica's Park Circle is the oldest of these buildings today.

The Presbyterian Church experienced a decline and ultimately ceased to operate as a house of worship. The Angelica Grange occupied the building for many years. It is now owned by the Town, which is restoring it for future use as a community center.

Angelica's Park Circle includes a rare example of a Roque court. Roque is an American variant of croquet (the name was derived by removing the first and last letters). The game was an event at the 1904 Summer Olympics in St. Louis. The American Roque League was founded in 1916.

Local players care for and use the court during nice weather, and a tournament is held during the August Heritage Days festival.

The first library was established in 1827. Around the turn of the century, a local benefactor funded the construction of a new building which is located at the corner of West Main and Center streets.

In the early 1900's, rail transportation became an important component of Angelica life. Rail yards were constructed in the southwestern part of the Village. Today, Railroad Avenue follows the route of a rail line that was abandoned in 1947. The Angelica Depot is still standing and under private ownership.

The first school was taught by Widow Smith in 1804. The Angelica Academy School opened in 1856, followed by the Wilsonian Academy located on the Park Circle. Angelica Central School was built around 1955. Forty years later, Belmont Central was merged into it, forming Genesee Valley Central School. A new structure was built just north of Belmont in 2002. The 1955 school building is used today by Centerpoint Christian Academy.

The Angelica Park Circle Historic District was added to the State and National Historic Registers in 1978 (Allegany County - #78001840). The district spans approximately 90 acres along Main and White Streets, as well as the Park and the Allegany County fairgrounds. On the date of the nomination, it included 86 individual parcels although some may have been combined since then.

- * West Main Street, north side (4 -152 West Main), 26 parcels
- * West Main, south side (1 - 79 West Main), 21 parcels
- * Park Circle, south (17 - 57), 8 parcels
- * Park Circle, north (10 - 46), 5 parcels
- * White Street, east side (8 - 36 White Street), 3 parcels
- * White Street, west side (23 - 25 White Street), 2 parcels
- * East Main Street, south side (11 - 89 East Main) 11 parcels
- * East Main Street, north side (2 - 62 East Main) 8 parcels
- * Fairgrounds, 1 parcel
- * Park property, 1 parcel

Historians have chronicled many of the original owners and builders. The primary architectural styles are Greek Revival and Gothic, for buildings erected between 1800 and 1899.

B. NATURAL AND MAN-MADE RESOURCES

1. GEOGRAPHY:

Allegany County is in the southwestern part of New York State, along the Pennsylvania border. The highest hills in the county are in excess of 2,000 feet in elevation, and the terrain slopes generally northward. The high hills are composed of rocks of Mississippian and Pennsylvanian age, and the lower elevations to the north are of Devonian age.

The Genesee River bisects the county from south to north and has exposed many segments of the geologic column wherever it cut through rock layers.

According to the US Census Bureau, the Town of Angelica comprises an area 36.5 miles square, 99.95% of which is land. The remaining 0.05% is water from the Genesee River, which runs through the southwest part of town.

The Village of Angelica is 2.2 square miles. Angelica Creek, a tributary of the Genesee River, flows westward through the village.

The Southern Tier Expressway (Interstate 86 and New York 17) passes through the town and the Village. County Routes 20 and 16 pass through the village.

2. COUNTY FORESTS

There are three County-owned forests that lie fully within the Town of Angelica, near East Road., Lamont Road., and Common Road. These are used primarily as wood lots for reforestation. The County is considering selling some of the property. The Dowd County Forest is in both the Town of West Almond and Angelica.

3. RECREATION AND PARKS

A) PARK CIRCLE

The public green at the center of the village was a gift of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Church. The deed reads: "It is hereby understood that the premises is to be used for no other purpose whatever than as a public place for the inhabitants of the town and village of Angelica."

The park area commonly known as "Park Circle" is actually a square of public land, approximately 4.5 acres in size, within which lies near the geographic center of Allegany County. Owned by the Town, it includes a basketball court, gazebo, Roque court, playground, benches and open space. Main Street encircles the park. On the Park Circle are the, Methodist, Episcopal, Baptist, and former Catholic and Presbyterian churches front on Main Street facing Park Circle. The Town Hall [formerly the County Courthouse] and the Post Office are also situated across Main Street from Park Circle, as are half a dozen private homes and one bed and breakfast establishment.

B) ALTON SYLOR MEMORIAL BRIDGE OVER THE JONCY GORGE

The longest clear span timber arch bridge in the nation is located on West Main Street outside the village limits. The gorge drops approximately 100' from the top to bottom with Angelica Creek flowing through. A parking area on the south side and a small boardwalk to view the bridge encourage visitation.

C) VILLAGE FIELDS

In 2004, the Village purchased the fields adjacent to the old Angelica Central School. Community and league baseball, softball and soccer are played there. The acreage also includes a physical fitness center and a playground.

D) TENNIS COURT

A single tennis court is located off Allegany Avenue, that has been updated in 2019. This court is not for skateboards or bikes.

4. FAIRGROUNDS

The Allegany County Fairgrounds lies within the Village, and has been in continuous operation since 1844. The Allegany County Agricultural Society uses the grounds generally the third week of July each year for the County Fair. The rest of the year the grounds are available for rent for other activities and events.

C. EXISTING BUSINESS

Angelica's Main Street is host to a variety of shops offering antiques, crafts, restaurants and other retail shops. Although most storefronts are in use, occasional opportunities exist for the establishment of new businesses.

There are a number of small, mostly family-owned manufacturing concerns in Angelica, which provide a significant number of jobs, as well as several service-related and home-based businesses.

D. DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

Population has remained fairly static over the last 100 years. Town population (which includes Village figures) has been steady at around 1,500 [in 2000, the U.S. Census reported a Town population of 1,411, 1,403 reported in 2010 and estimated at 1358 in 2017]. Village population has ranged from about 800 – 1,000 range [903 according to the 2000 U.S. Census, 869 reported in 2010 and estimated at 824 in 2017].

According to U.S. Census Bureau (2000 Census and 2005 Census estimates), the rural counties in Western New York (Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Genesee, Orleans, and Wyoming) experienced a collective population decline of -1.6% between 2000 and 2005. The current estimates for Allegany County are showing approximately a 3% decrease since 2010. In general most of New York State with a few exceptions such as the New York City area and

Ithaca area are losing population. Demographic tables are included in the appendices for the Village.

E. TRANSPORTATION

Streets and roads comprise the primary transportation infrastructure within the Town and Village. Interstate 86 (I-86) runs east/west through the Town, with one exit servicing Angelica within the Village limits.

I-86 is a developing Interstate that eventually will connect I-87 just north of New York City to Binghamton then west through Elmira/Corning and eventually connect to I-90 near Erie, PA. I-86 connects with Interstates 88 and 81 near Binghamton. It connects with I-390 near Bath, NY. Eventually there are planned highway connections with a four-lane expansion of New York State Route 219 connecting Buffalo to a point near Salamanca and I-99 coming from Pennsylvania.

Angelica Town is serviced primarily by State Route 19, and County Routes 2, 15, 16, 20, 43 and 48. The remaining local streets and roads are maintained under the Shared Services Agreement.

The Town has no direct rail access, but nearby Amity has a siding used by the Western New York & Pennsylvania Railroad.

The nearest commuter airport is located at Wellsville, and there are four commercial airports within about 1 to 1.5 hours driving distance: Elmira, Buffalo, and Rochester, NY, and Bradford, PA.

Pedestrian and bicycle traffic is easily accommodated along sidewalks and shoulders of roads. Hiking trails are available within nearby County forests.

In 1998 the Town and Village entered into a Shared Services Agreement through which its street system is maintained under the supervision of the Town Highway Superintendent. All equipment and personnel are located at the Town Barn and offices at Center and Olean Streets.

F. VILLAGE OF ANGELICA SERVICES

1. WATER

The Village of Angelica provides water to residents of the Village and certain sections of the Town via a municipal system with its source in the Town of West Almond, NY. The water lines and pump house were all replaced within the decade. The reservoir for this system is adjacent to the Fairgrounds directly above White Street. In the last decade a new reservoir was constructed. Wells adjacent to the reservoir provide a back-up water source. If the Village were ever to expand the system to the Town, it is likely that another reservoir at a higher elevation would have to be constructed.

2. ELECTRICITY

The Village provides electric service to the Village (and certain sections of the Town) under contract through the Municipal Electric Utilities Association. This arrangement substantially reduces the rate per kilowatt-hour compared to a public utility. The Village owns and maintains half the poles and all the lines and substations within the Village. (Verizon owns and maintains the other half of the poles.) Natural gas, propane, heating oil, etc. are available through public and private utilities servicing the Angelica area.

3. CABLE / INTERNET / TELEPHONE

The Village electric poles are utilized by Time Warner, which provides cable TV and high-speed Internet access; and Verizon, which provides telephony. As of the date of this document's development, the Village has a franchise agreement with these companies. Satellite dish services are also available.

4. SEWER

In the absence of a municipal sewer system, all buildings are serviced by privately-owned and maintained septic systems.

5. SOLID WASTE

The village does not provide trash pickup service for its residents. Landowners can either contract with a private trash hauler, or purchase a permit to use the Allegany County transfer station, which is located within the Town of Angelica.

IV. PLANNING ENHANCEMENTS

The Village and the Town of Angelica each has a number of local laws that regulate activities within its boundaries. There are no zoning or sub-division laws as of the time of this document's development. The land use has not changed significantly in the last twenty years. The one area that continues to have a slow change is much farmland is slowly returning to mixed forest that was once productive crop or grazing lands. The data is not available for only the Village so the Town information is included in this table.

Town of Angelica		
Cover_type	Acres	
Water	88.29	0.38%
Low residential	134.99	0.58%
High residential	21.57	0.09%
Commercial Industrial & Transportation	80.06	0.34%
Quarries, mines, gravel pits	0.22	0.00%
Deciduous forest	8,176.39	35.00%
Evergreen forest	297.11	1.27%
Mixed forest	6,669.25	28.55%
Pasture/hay	6,744.87	28.88%
Row crops	1,019.44	4.36%
Urban recreational grasses	119.87	0.51%
Woody wetlands	6.45	0.03%
	23,358.51	

A. LAND USE

1. LAND USE GOALS

- To preserve and protect the rural character and environmental quality of the Village, and encourage and support land use changes that are congruent with this character and quality.
- To create a land use strategy that gives residents a voice in decision-making.
- To promote and encourage land and business development that is consistent with the rural and historic character of the community and that contributes to the village tax base.
- Top priorities include preservation and expansion of existing businesses, and discouraging industrial/commercial activity on the periphery of the historic district by encouraging it in locations deemed preferable via the proposed land use guidelines program.

2. LAND USE OBJECTIVES

- Develop clear but flexible tools to guide private and public development in keeping with the rural and historic character of the Village.
- Encourage Economic Development and promote business and income sources in the Village.
- Encourage development that preserves open space by adopting concepts of smart growth and conservation design.
- Conduct an inventory of the places and things that make Angelica special, including historic buildings and sites, scenic vistas, active farms, open spaces that are already protected and natural areas that deserve special attention.
- Promote the use of existing buildings with updates that appear to conform to historic aspects of the community while allowing property owners to make needed changes for modern use.
- Promote new building that relates and is in concert with the character of the community.
- Provide potential developers with clear expectations of what the community requires for quality development.
- Promote and encourage appropriate home-based businesses.
- Review administrative processes and improve them as needed to assure that they are thorough, prompt, and efficient.
- Protect the “level of service” along any roadways in Village, by requiring that new development must maintain or improve current traffic conditions on all roadways.

3. LAND USE STRATEGIES

- Establish a Village Planning Board to provide Angelica with a mechanism for reviewing and making recommendations on certain activities relating to land use.
- Create a land use and building guidelines program.
- Establish engineering requirements for subdivisions on larger properties within the Village.
- Collaborate with Allegany County Soil and Water Conservation District and the Town Highway Superintendent for the review of storm water plans.
- Encourage the preservation of historic buildings, landscapes, and sites through the preparation of a Historic Preservation plan.
- Review and establish preferred locations for desired land uses in the Village.
- Institute design guidelines or standards for commercial development.
- Prevent incompatible non-residential uses in residential neighborhoods.
- Require developers to conduct independent traffic studies, wetland studies, and economic impact studies for all major developments, including the net revenues and net expenses to the Village, market need for the project, net impact on employment, etc.
- Require developers to pay for the cost of independent expert studies as selected by the Village and/or its planning board, necessary to evaluate a land use proposal, including traffic impact, economic impact study, noise and light issues, storm water management, wetlands and water resources protection.

- Require all commercial projects that abut residential land to have no adverse impact on the valuation of surrounding residential properties or the quality of life of their owners/occupants.
- Require developers of projects larger than five acres to meet with owners of adjacent landowners and prepare a report to the Village of the neighbor's major objections to the proposal, and the developer's action plan to address each objection.
- Prevent or contain the secondary effects of adult businesses such as increased crime, diminished property taxes, blight, and overall decreased quality of life for the community by defining adult businesses as special uses, limiting them to specific land use districts, and requiring a careful review prior to the issuance of a conditional permit.
- Encourage improvements to infrastructure that support these goals and objectives.
- Encourage the implementation of appropriate complete streets improvements in the Village as was developed in the Complete Streets Plan during the last decade.

4. LAND USE RESULTS

- Adopting land use guidelines that conform to the Comprehensive Plan provides significant legal protection for such guidelines.
- A formal planning board would address new development/construction to ensure proposals are in harmony with, and do not have an adverse effect on, historic sites, adjacent lands, the character of the Village community, or the goals and objectives set forth in this plan.
- Land use guidelines would ensure that new development conforms to the Village's planning goals and objectives as expressed in the Comprehensive Plan, while allowing for maximum flexibility.
- Adopting land use regulations and design guidelines for new residential and commercial development that conform to this Comprehensive Plan will maintain the quality of life in Angelica, and provide significant legal protection for such regulations.
- A Historic Preservation Plan would help bring resources together to identify, stabilize, restore, and preserve the historic assets of community life. This would help tie community investment to the motto, "Angelica -- A Town Where History Lives."
- Work according to the guidelines of a historic preservation law with the purpose to promote the protection, enhancement, perpetuation, and use of improvements of special character or historical interest or value in the interest of the health, prosperity, safety, and welfare of the people of Angelica by:
 - Providing a mechanism to identify and preserve the historic and architectural characteristics of Angelica which represents elements of the its cultural, social, economic, political and architectural history;
 - Promoting civic pride in the beauty and noble accomplishments of the past as represented in Angelica's landmarks and historic districts;
 - Stabilizing and improving the economic vitality and value of Angelica's landmarks and historic areas;
 - Protecting and enhancing the attractiveness of Angelica to house buyers, visitors and shoppers and thereby supporting business, commerce, industry, and providing economic benefit to the Village;

- Fostering and encouraging preservation, restoration of structures, areas, and neighborhoods and thereby preventing potential blight.

B. LAWS

1. LAWS GOALS

- Advance the administration and understanding of local laws.

2. LAWS OBJECTIVES

- Review local Codes for consistency, clarity, and legibility.
- Consider updates, supplemental regulations, or creation of new Village codes that address complex land uses.
- Conduct periodic, ongoing review of Village codes to keep them current.
- Continue to inform residents of local laws through a newsletter, website, informational booklets, and/or public information forums. Involve enforcement personnel and Village justices in developing the content of information distributed.
- Review and clarify the wording and legal enforceability of local laws to give code enforcement personnel the tools needed for effective enforcement.

3. LAWS STRATEGIES

- Update the Village website to contain all land use regulations, codes, laws, application forms and Village Laws, and keep them up-to-date.
- Publish a citizen's guide defining land use regulations and other codes.
- Develop a Historic Preservation Plan and appropriate laws.

4. LAWS RESULTS

- Clarifying existing codes/laws/regulations, adopting ones that are non-existent but pertinent to the Comprehensive Plan, and making them readily available to residents and potential developers contributes to the public health, safety, welfare, and quality of life of the community.

C. CONSIDERATION OF AGRICULTURAL USES

1. AGRICULTURAL GOALS

- Promote agriculture as a desirable use of land, and protect farmland by recognizing the unique role that agriculture can play in supporting economic prosperity and protecting and preserving Angelica's rural heritage.

2. AGRICULTURAL OBJECTIVES

- Maintain and enhance an understanding in the community, and with elected and appointed officials, of the importance of farming and farm related activities to our residents and to tourism.

3. AGRICULTURAL STRATEGIES

- Consider land use regulations that protect and promote farming, modeled after those at the County level.

- Support local farmers and encourage agri-tourism by continuing the Farmers' Market in Park Circle.
- Encourage agri-tourism by investigating the feasibility of planting hops, hemp and other crops that may now be possible to market in this area.

4. AGRICULTURAL RESULTS

- Promotion of agri-tourism in and around Angelica would encourage the continuation of local farms, the creation of new farm-based businesses, and distinguish Angelica as a distinctive rural tourist destination.

V. HISTORIC AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

1. HISTORIC AND CULTURAL RESOURCES GOALS

- To provide support to current efforts, and to establish new initiatives, that will further protect, preserve, interpret, and develop Angelica's many historic and cultural assets.

2. HISTORIC AND CULTURAL RESOURCES OBJECTIVES

- To more actively collect, preserve, and present artifacts and records relating to Angelica's history.
- To aggressively protect existing cultural and historical assets. This ties in with Community Priorities #3 and #13.

3. HISTORIC AND CULTURAL RESOURCES STRATEGIES

- Name a Town Historian whose primary job will be to collect, store, and interpret local history. Conduct an inventory of historical assets. Catalog such assets as buildings, organizations, collections, etc., that are 'valuable' to the community in some way. Create a plan to address any that are threatened or damaged (i.e. Catholic Church) so they are not lost to the community
- Investigate the feasibility of a Revolving Loan Fund Incentive program to support the sensitive restoration of historic properties.
- Begin a community dialog on how to preserve and maintain Angelica's history. The results would determine whether to establish a separate historical society or preservation group, or a museum, or to work within the established organizational structure of the Angelica Boosters Citizens, Inc.
- Increase passive interpretation of Angelica's history with signage and markers in the historic district.
- Emphasize benefits of owning property in the historic district, and in a community that contains an historic district, to residents so they will take a greater interest in preservation efforts.
- Work toward the creation of a community preservation fund.

4. HISTORIC AND CULTURAL RESOURCES RESULTS

- Increased emphasis will be placed on the history and culture that have made Angelica the unique community it is today, so that these important intangibles and assets will not be lost to future generations.

VI. NATURAL RESOURCES

1. NATURAL RESOURCES GOALS

- To establish awareness and preference for protection of open space, waterways, and sensitive ecological areas, and to protect against unplanned development affecting such places.

2. NATURAL RESOURCES OBJECTIVES

- Increase local efforts at preservation of open space.
- Maintain pure water resources for Angelica.
- Be a responsible community that actively conserves natural resources, saves energy, and protects the environment.
- Keep our green spaces green.
- Capitalize on our outdoor recreation opportunities.

3. NATURAL RESOURCES STRATEGIES

- Adopt the provisions of the County's Farmland Protection Plan.
- Get Angelica's road salt under cover to prevent pollution of Angelica Creek.
- Invite owners of undeveloped land to discuss open space preservation and methods to achieve it.
- Host a forum for WNY Land Conservancy to discuss financial incentives for landowners.
- Establish a Village recycling program for glass and aluminum through a community service project.

4. NATURAL RESOURCES RESULTS

- To protect, preserve, and restore our natural resources, and educate the community about the importance of such efforts.

VII. RECREATION

1. RECREATION GOALS

- To enhance existing recreational facilities while developing new areas for the community and visitors.

2. RECREATION OBJECTIVES

- Maintain and improve our current recreation sites -- the Park and the fields located throughout the Village. Encourage enhancement to and appeal of these sites.
- To develop additional areas of interest for recreation and enjoyment.
- To create gateways to Angelica.

3. RECREATION STRATEGIES

- Create a Joncy Bridge Gorge Park and Gateway Center, with picnic and rest areas, and permanent interpretive and visitation signage.
- Create park areas at Horner Road and Bald Mountain for walking, cross country skiing, access to fishing, etc. Trails could tie these areas together.
- Develop two walking trails in the community, one focusing on history and one on nature.
- Develop a footbridge to allow pedestrian access to the Village at South Street.
- Improve and enhance existing athletic and recreational facilities including updating electric needs, lighting, and equipment.
- Improve community life by working to improve existing special events, and to encourage new community festivals and events. Explore additional use of the fairgrounds throughout the four seasons.

4. RECREATION RESULTS

- To continue to share and enjoy our community with residents and others while making enhancements to improve our recreational resources.

VIII. DEVELOPMENT

1. DEVELOPMENT GOAL

- To provide a variety of ways to encourage business, land, housing, and economic development in Angelica.

2. DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES

- Provide a welcome center to make residents and visitors feel even more welcome in and knowledgeable about Angelica, and to encourage more tourism and economic vitality in our community.
- Identify potential sources of funding and help procure the resources required to achieve many of the Angelica Comprehensive Plan goals.
- Seek ways to systematically and beneficially attract more residents, tourists, vacationers, and business owners to Angelica to help drive economic activity.

3. DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES

- Review the best possible locations for short and long term sites for a Welcome Center. Short-term ideas include information kiosks, public restrooms, and an ATM close to the center of Village. Long-term ideas include I-86 and Joncy Bridge “gateways”, with nature and historic walking paths connecting the gateways and bringing the visitor through the center of the Village.
- Identify and secure the services of a trained grant writer to help identify the potential sources of funding, and procure the monies available from County, State, and Federal sources, as well as businesses and private foundations.
- Develop four distinct marketing plans that will be used to market Angelica as a destination for tourists, business owners, residents, and vacationers.

4. DEVELOPMENT RESULTS

- A welcome center will make residents feel more welcome, and have more knowledge and pride in their own community, and an informed traveler will spend more time and money in Angelica and surrounding areas. It will create a positive first impression to travelers, encouraging repeat visits and ‘word of mouth’ referrals.
- Securing a grant writer will be a successful endeavor when the first grant application is submitted. It will be a highly successful endeavor when the first grant is awarded. It will be a complete success when the person’s salary is dwarfed by the amount of new money attracted to the Angelica Comprehensive Plan projects through their efforts.
- Focused marketing plans will result in measurable net gains in tourist visitation driving food, lodging, and retail business activity; owner occupied housing; expanding the property tax base via improvements; and new business and jobs are created. This ties in with Community Priorities #7 and #8.

IX. COMMUNITY PRIDE

1. GOALS

- To promote community spirit, pride, and involvement among residents, and further improve the aesthetics of Angelica for visitors and ourselves.

2. OBJECTIVES

- Maintain and improve the visual appeal of the community, including but not limited to the Park Circle Historic District and the Main Street Business District.
- Create projects and organizations to address such initiatives as public recycling and beautification.

3. STRATEGIES

- Illuminate the exteriors of public buildings on Park Circle to draw attention to their architectural features.
- Improve the visual appearance of Town property on Center Street.
- Research the feasibility of making cosmetic and decorative upgrades to the interior of the Town Hall.
- Form a committee whose initial role would be to establish a protocol for cataloging, storing, and displaying community-wide seasonal and holiday decorations.
- Focus a visitor's eye on the Historic District and its facades and streetscape; identify projects that could improve its scenic beauty and help achieve visual unification.
- Create financial incentives to achieve these goals, such as a revolving loan fund for restoration/repair of historic properties.
- Form a community garden club whose initial role would be to envision, establish, and maintain landscaping and plantings in public areas and at gateways.
- Research the feasibility of establishing a leaf-mulching program that would give residents a place to dispose of their fallen leaves, and obtain recycled leaf mulch for use in their gardens.

4. RESULTS

- To make Angelica more pleasing to the eye, improving quality of life for residents and increasing visitation by others.

X. INFRASTRUCTURE

1. INFRASTRUCTURE GOAL

- Maintain and develop public infrastructure facilities in an efficient and cost- effective manner to enhance the quality of life for residents, business owners, and visitors.

2. INFRASTRUCTURE OBJECTIVES

- Ensure Angelica’s infrastructure services are at least equal to those found in other Western New York communities, and that maintenance and development are cost- and time-efficient.
- Explore alternative ways to reduce the use and cost of electricity in Angelica.
- Increase the safety of our pedestrians and the visual beauty of Angelica through the maintenance and creation of sidewalks.
- Expand the availability of high-speed Internet access.

3. INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGIES

- Create an Annual Master Infrastructure Plan to review current infrastructure maintenance and development plans for electric, sewer, water, sidewalks, roadways, and telecommunications.
- Review and discuss the electric allotment agreement with the New York Power Authority (NYPA). Re-emphasize and enforce current rules and regulations concerning electric heating and associated insulation requirements. Establish a task force to brainstorm ways to educate residents about the short- and long-term benefits of reducing electricity consumption. Create incentive programs at the Village level that will lead to reduced consumption.
- Include the maintenance and creation of sidewalks in the Annual Master Infrastructure Plan.
- Conduct a survey interested community residents and contact local Internet providers for applicable products and service.

4. INFRASTRUCTURE RESULTS

- A master infrastructure plan would formalize and integrate our current annual plans to minimize costs, maximize use of personnel, and insure a safe and undisturbed daily life. Residents would be better informed of plans and activities addressing infrastructure projects.
- An increased electric allotment would result in maintaining Angelica’s affordable electric rates for current and future residents and businesses. Adherence to the insulation requirements for buildings using electric heating systems would decrease the use of electricity.
- Increase the available options for obtaining high-speed internet access.

XI. HOUSING

1. HOUSING GOAL

- Provide for a variety of affordable, flexible housing options that meet the needs of those wishing to reside in Angelica, regardless of age or income.

2. HOUSING OBJECTIVES

- Ensure that local seniors have the option of senior housing in Angelica.
- As seniors move from their homes to the senior housing complex, new families can move into, and expand our community.

3. HOUSING STRATEGIES

- Develop a multi-income, multi-design living complex that provides for the special needs and habits of senior citizens.

4. HOUSING RESULTS

- A community that provides adequate housing for seniors' benefits from the continued contributions of these citizens in the areas of knowledge, wisdom, discretionary income and community participation.
- A local senior housing complex enables our seniors to remain in Angelica, while making their residences available to new families wishing to become part of the Angelica community.

XII. HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY

1. HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY GOALS

- To improve the level and quality of health, safety, and emergency services to the people of Angelica.

2. HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY OBJECTIVES

- Develop a modern fire hall facility large enough to fully accommodate present and future needs.
- Strengthen and stabilize the Angelica Hose Company and Rescue Squad by expanding its funding base and increasing the number of active members.
- Make more efficient use of our part-time police department with minimal impact on taxpayer costs.
- Provide increased access to prescription medications for elders and those without transportation.
- Free citizens from the worries associated with natural and man-made disasters.

3. HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY STRATEGIES

- Conduct a needs assessment for a new fire hall; then act upon the recommendations for building plans and sources of funding.
- Investigate the feasibility of establishing an Angelica Fire District.
- Further develop the Junior Firefighters program, utilizing senior members as mentors; develop and implement a series of social and recreational activities to give people an additional reason to become involved.
- Increase the number of police officers on the Angelica Police Department roster, thereby increasing the department's ability to respond to calls.
- Develop a prescription drug delivery plan with local pharmacies.
- Update the 10-year-old Community Disaster Preparedness plan.

4. HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY RESULTS

- To make Angelica a safer and more desirable community in which to live.

XIII. OTHER PLANS

1. The Agricultural Preservation Plan developed by Allegany County is considered to be the plan for the Town and Village of Angelica.
2. The Hazard Mitigation Plan developed by Allegany County is considered to be the plan for the Town and Village of Angelica.
3. The Historic, Cultural, and Natural Resources Committee recommends that the Angelica Comprehensive Plan Board not disband when the plan is ratified, but rather continue to meet and drive the objectives set forth by this process.
4. The Committee further recommends that there be at least one member of the Angelica Comprehensive Plan board appointed as a liaison to the Town Board, and one to the Village Board, to keep these proposals on the table, under discussion, and acted upon in ways that are in keeping with the spirit of those who are participating in the planning process.

APPENDICES

- A. Thank You List
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A. THANK YOU LIST

This Thank You List is from the 2007 approved Comprehensive Planning effort as follows:

- * A very special thanks to those who met early in 2006 to restart this Comprehensive Planning process especially Leonard Watson who chaired those first meetings. Without your interest in this project it would not have been done.
- * Special thanks goes to those who worked on the original effort in the year of 1999, especially Craig Schlau who was the Town Supervisor at that time and contributed large amounts of time and effort to the survey work that was done.
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- * Special thanks to the Southern Tier West Foundation who contributed to this effort through a grant to support a Comprehensive Plan for the Town and Village.
- * The following people are known to have participated and helped with the development of this plan. Thank you to all who participated.

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B. VILLAGE OF ANGELICA DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

All data for the Village is Vintage the 2010 US Census. The next Census isn't until 2020.
POPULATION DATA

Subject	Angelica village, New York			
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Percent	Percent Margin of Error
SEX AND AGE				
Total population	783	+/- 119	783	(X)
Male	418	+/- 78	53.40 %	+/-3.7
Female	365	+/- 54	46.60 %	+/-3.7
Sex ratio (males per 100 females)	114.5	+/- 17.0	(X)	(X)
AGE GROUPS				
Under 5 years	33	+/- 29	4.20%	+/-3.4
5 to 9 years	55	+/- 22	7.00%	+/-2.2
10 to 14 years	54	+/- 27	6.90%	+/-2.9
15 to 19 years	25	+/- 16	3.20%	+/-1.9
20 to 24 years	34	+/- 17	4.30%	+/-2.2
25 to 34 years	102	+/- 45	13.00 %	+/-4.5
35 to 44 years	120	+/- 36	15.30 %	+/-4.0
45 to 54 years	111	+/- 30	14.20 %	+/-3.5
55 to 59 years	37	+/- 15	4.70%	+/-1.9
60 to 64 years	51	+/- 27	6.50%	+/-3.3
65 to 74 years	109	+/- 22	13.90 %	+/-3.4
75 to 84 years	43	+/- 16	5.50%	+/-2.2
85 years and over	9	+/-7	1.10%	+/-0.9
AGE SUMMARY				
Median age (years)	41.7	+/- 4.7	(X)	(X)
DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY				
Under 18 years	163	+/- 58	20.80 %	+/-5.0
16 years and over	630	+/- 80	80.50 %	+/-4.9
18 years and over	620	+/- 79	79.20 %	+/-5.0

21 years and over	608	+/- 78	77.70 %	+/-4.8
62 years and over	193	+/- 27	24.60 %	+/-5.0
65 years and over	161	+/- 21	20.60 %	+/-4.1
18 years and over	620	+/- 79	620	(X)
Male	312	+/- 50	50.30 %	+/-4.1
Female	308	+/- 43	49.70 %	+/-4.1
Sex ratio (males per 100 females)	101.3	+/- 16.3	(X)	(X)
65 years and over	161	+/- 21	161	(X)
Male	72	+/- 15	44.70 %	+/-8.1
Female	89	+/- 19	55.30 %	+/-8.1
Sex ratio (males per 100 females)	80.9	+/- 25.8	(X)	(X)
RACE				
Total population	783	+/- 119	783	(X)
One race	780	+/- 120	99.60 %	+/-0.7
Two or more races	3	+/-5	0.40%	+/-0.7
One race	780	+/- 120	99.60 %	+/-0.7
White	780	+/- 120	99.60 %	+/-0.7
Two or more races	3	+/-5	0.40%	+/-0.7
White and American Indian and Alaska Native	3	+/-5	0.40%	+/-0.7
Race alone or in combination with one or more other races				
Total population	783	+/- 119	783	(X)
White	783	+/- 119	100.0 0%	+/-3.8
American Indian and Alaska Native	3	+/-5	0.40%	+/-0.7
HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE				
Total population	783	+/- 119	783	(X)
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	10	+/- 12	1.30%	+/-1.5
Other Hispanic or Latino	10	+/- 12	1.30%	+/-1.5
Not Hispanic or Latino	773	+/-	98.70	+/-1.5

		118	%	
White alone	770	+/- 119	98.30 %	+/-1.7
Two or more races	3	+/-5	0.40%	+/-0.7
Two races excluding Some other race, and Three or more races	3	+/-5	0.40%	+/-0.7
Total housing units	408	+/- 46	(X)	(X)
CITIZEN, VOTING AGE POPULATION				
Citizen, 18 and over population	620	+/- 79	620	(X)
Male	312	+/- 50	50.30 %	+/-4.1
Female	308	+/- 43	49.70 %	+/-4.1

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Subject	Angelica village, New York			
	Total		Percent	
	Estimate	Margin of Error	Estimate	Margin of Error
Population 18 to 24 years	38	+/-18	(X)	(X)
Less than high school graduate	1	+/-3	2 .60%	+/-7.8
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	20	+/-14	5 2.60%	+/-26.9
Some college or associate's degree	11	+/-10	2 8.90%	+/-23.6
Bachelor's degree or higher	6	+/-6	1 5.80%	+/-14.7
Population 25 years and over	58	+/-74	(X)	(X)
Less than 9th grade	13	+/-9	2 .20%	+/-1.4
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	34	+/-12	5 .80%	+/-2.2
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	22	+/-41	3 8.50%	+/-5.3
Some college, no degree	10	+/-34	1 7.90%	+/-5.1
Associate's degree	88	+/-24	1 5.10%	+/-3.7
Bachelor's degree	76	+/-32	1 3.10%	+/-5.1
Graduate or professional degree	43	+/-19	7 .40%	+/-3.2

Percent high school graduate or higher	(X)	(X)	9 1.90%	+/-2.4
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	2 0.40%	+/-5.8
Population 25 to 34 years	10 2	+/-45	(X)	(X)
High school graduate or higher	99	+/-45	9 7.10%	+/-4.1
Bachelor's degree or higher	20	+/-15	1 9.60%	+/-15.7
Population 35 to 44 years	12 0	+/-36	(X)	(X)
High school graduate or higher	10 8	+/-36	9 0.00%	+/-6.4
Bachelor's degree or higher	23	+/-16	1 9.20%	+/-11.0
Population 45 to 64 years	19 9	+/-45	(X)	(X)
High school graduate or higher	19 0	+/-44	9 5.50%	+/-3.0
Bachelor's degree or higher	44	+/-17	2 2.10%	+/-7.9
Population 65 years and over	16 1	+/-21	(X)	(X)
High school graduate or higher	13 8	+/-21	8 5.70%	+/-5.6
Bachelor's degree or higher	32	+/-16	1 9.90%	+/-9.7
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN BY EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT				
White alone	58 0	+/-74	(X)	(X)
High school graduate or higher	53 3	+/-71	9 1.90%	+/-2.5
Bachelor's degree or higher	11 7	+/-37	2 0.20%	+/-5.8
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	57 7	+/-75	(X)	(X)
High school graduate or higher	53 0	+/-72	9 1.90%	+/-2.4
Bachelor's degree or higher	11 5	+/-38	1 9.90%	+/-5.9
High school graduate or higher	2	+/-3	1 00.00%	+/- 100.0
Bachelor's degree or higher	2	+/-3	1 00.00%	+/- 100.0
High school graduate or higher	3	+/-5	1 00.00%	+/- 100.0
Bachelor's degree or higher	2	+/-4	6	+/-66.7

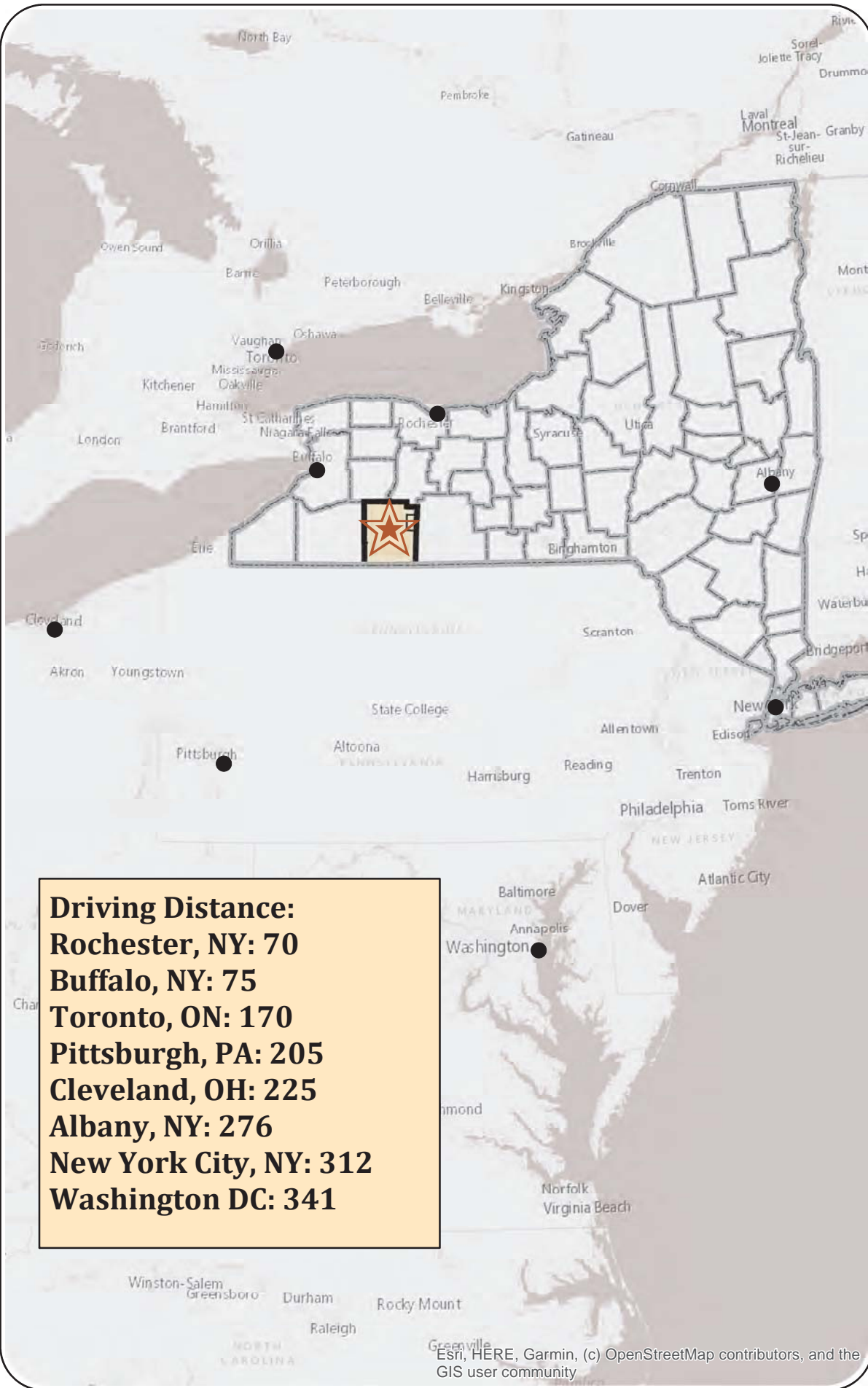
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POVERTY RATE FOR THE POPULATION 25 YEARS AND OVER FOR WHOM POVERTY STATUS IS DETERMINED BY EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT LEVEL				
Less than high school graduate	(X)	(X)	1 2.80%	+/-10.6
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	(X)	(X)	1 2.10%	+/-7.6
Some college or associate's degree	(X)	(X)	8 .90%	+/-7.1
Bachelor's degree or higher	(X)	(X)	0 .00%	+/-22.0
MEDIAN EARNINGS IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2017 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)				
Population 25 years and over with earnings	32 ,750	+/- 10,555	(X)	(X)
Less than high school graduate	-	**	(X)	(X)
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	25 ,750	+/- 7,753	(X)	(X)
Some college or associate's degree	36 ,250	+/- 18,124	(X)	(X)
Bachelor's degree	42 ,000	+/- 27,410	(X)	(X)
Graduate or professional degree	65 ,833	+/- 13,837	(X)	(X)

C. MAPS OF THE VILLAGE AND TOWN OF ANGELICA

- GENERAL LOCATION
- VILLAGE STREETS & STREAMS
- VILLAGE RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS & LODGING
- VILLAGE ELEVATION/TOPOGRAPHY
- VILLAGE TAX MAP OUTLINE
- VILLAGE PROPERTY CLASSIFICATION
- VILLAGE FLOOD PLAINS
- VILLAGE AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH

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Location in New York State



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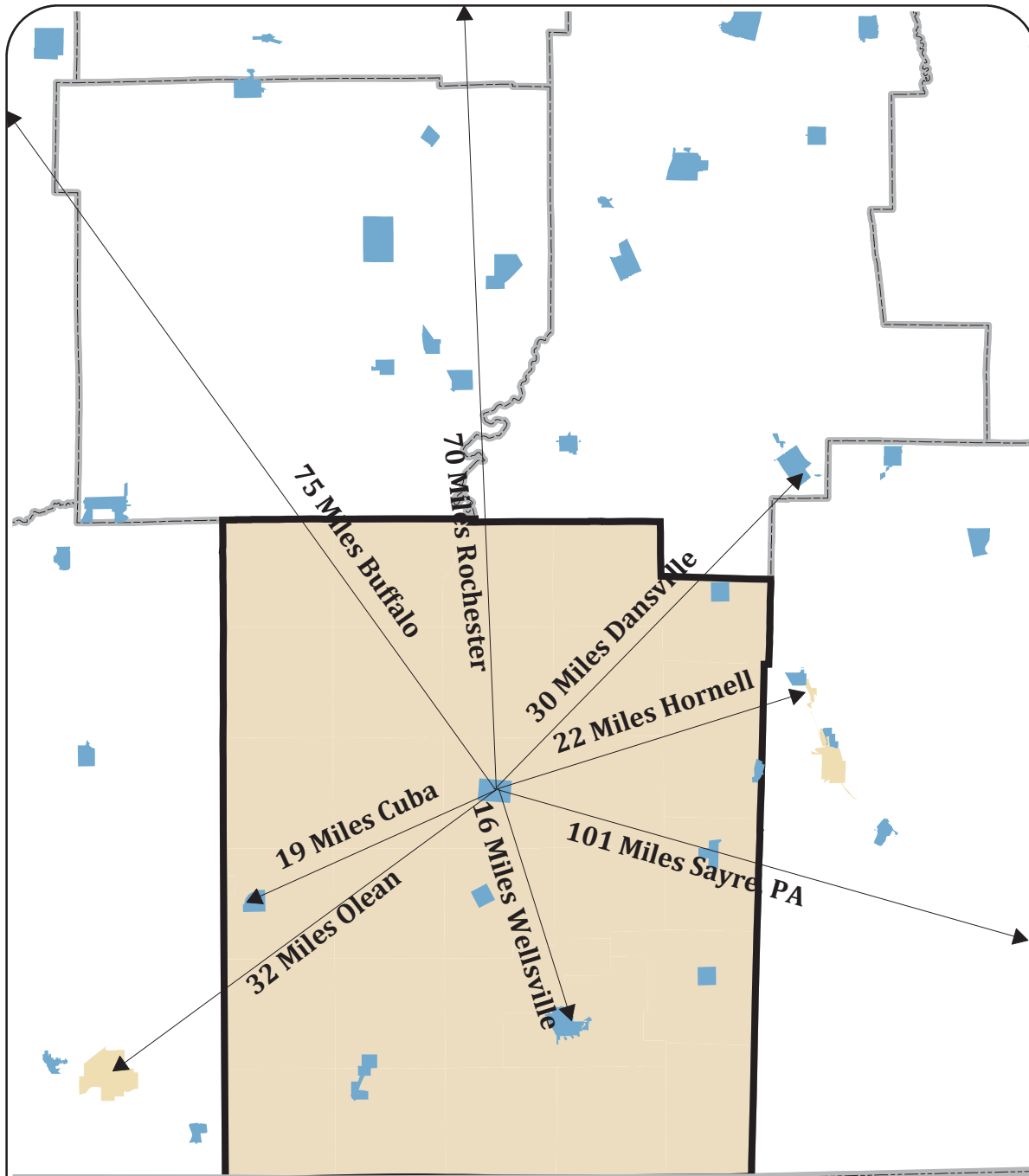
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Hospital Proximity

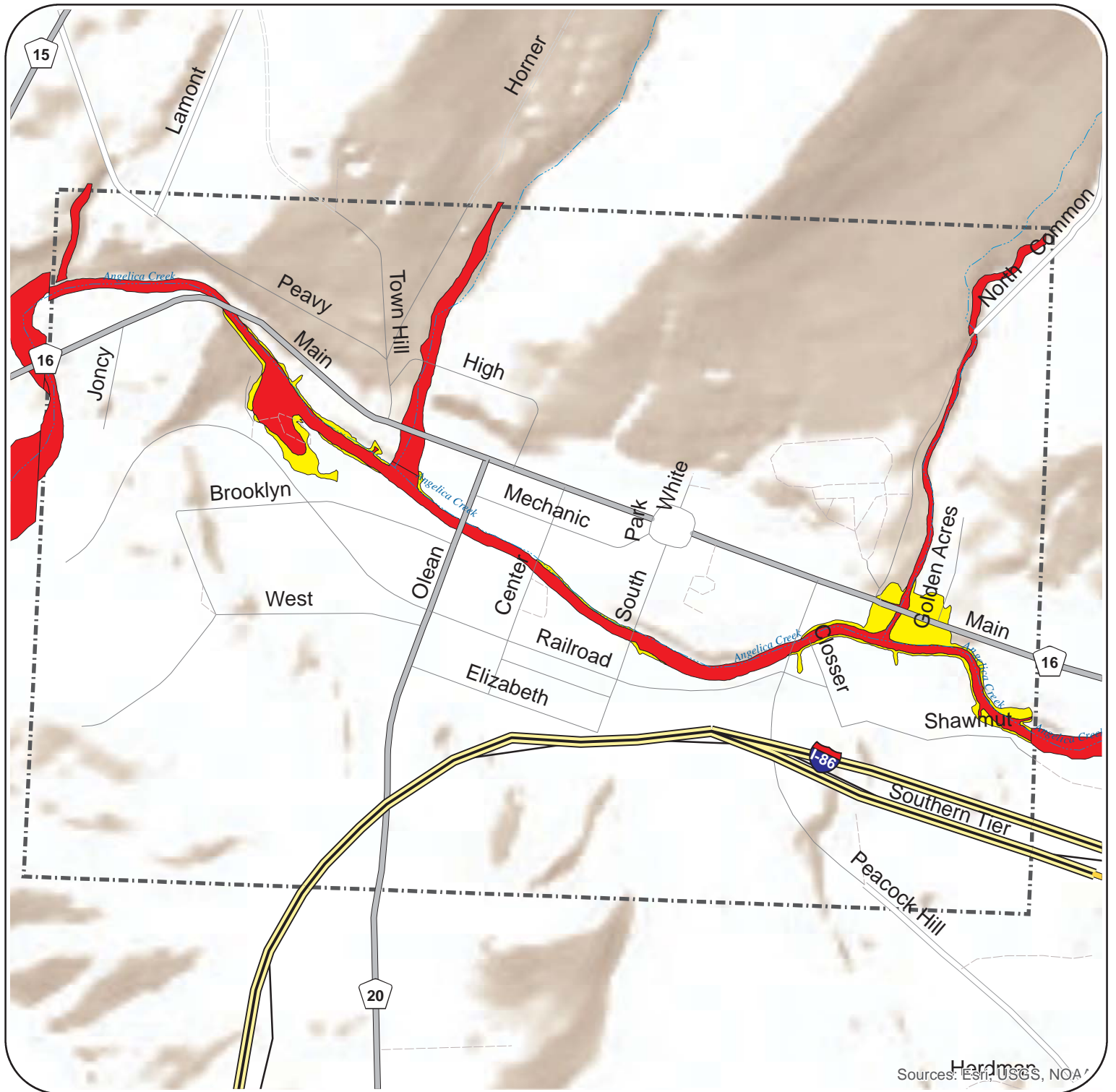


- Hornell - St. James Hospital - ER**
- Wellsville - Jones Memorial Hospital - ER, Beds, Surgery**
- Dansville - Noyes Memorial Hospital - ER, Beds, Surgery**
- Cuba - Cuba Memorial Hospital - Urgent Care, Nursing**
- Olean - Olean General Hospital - ER, Beds, Surgery**
- Rochester - Strong Memorial Hospital, Highland Hospital, etc. - Full Service**
- Sayre - Guthrie Clinic - Full Service**
- Buffalo - Buffalo General, Roswell Park, ECMC, etc - Full Service**



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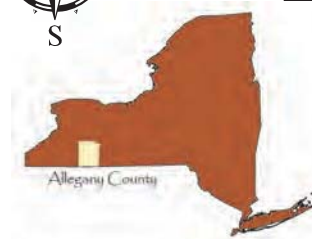


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	100 Year Flood Plain
	100 Year Flood Plain Detailed Study
	500 Year Flood Plain
	Outside of Flood Plain

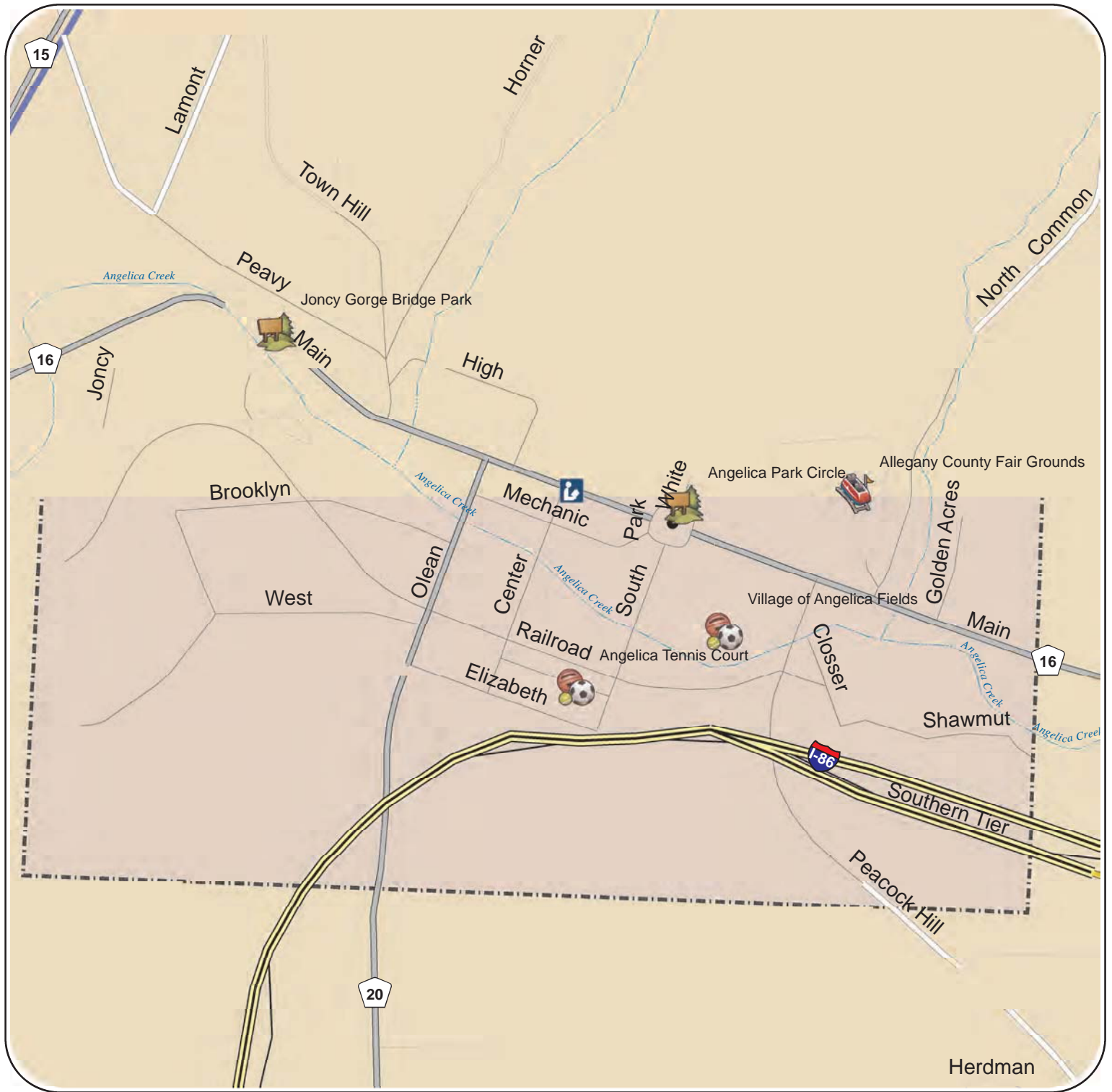


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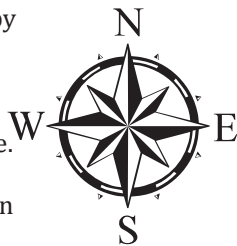
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-  Fair Grounds
-  Sports
-  Community Park

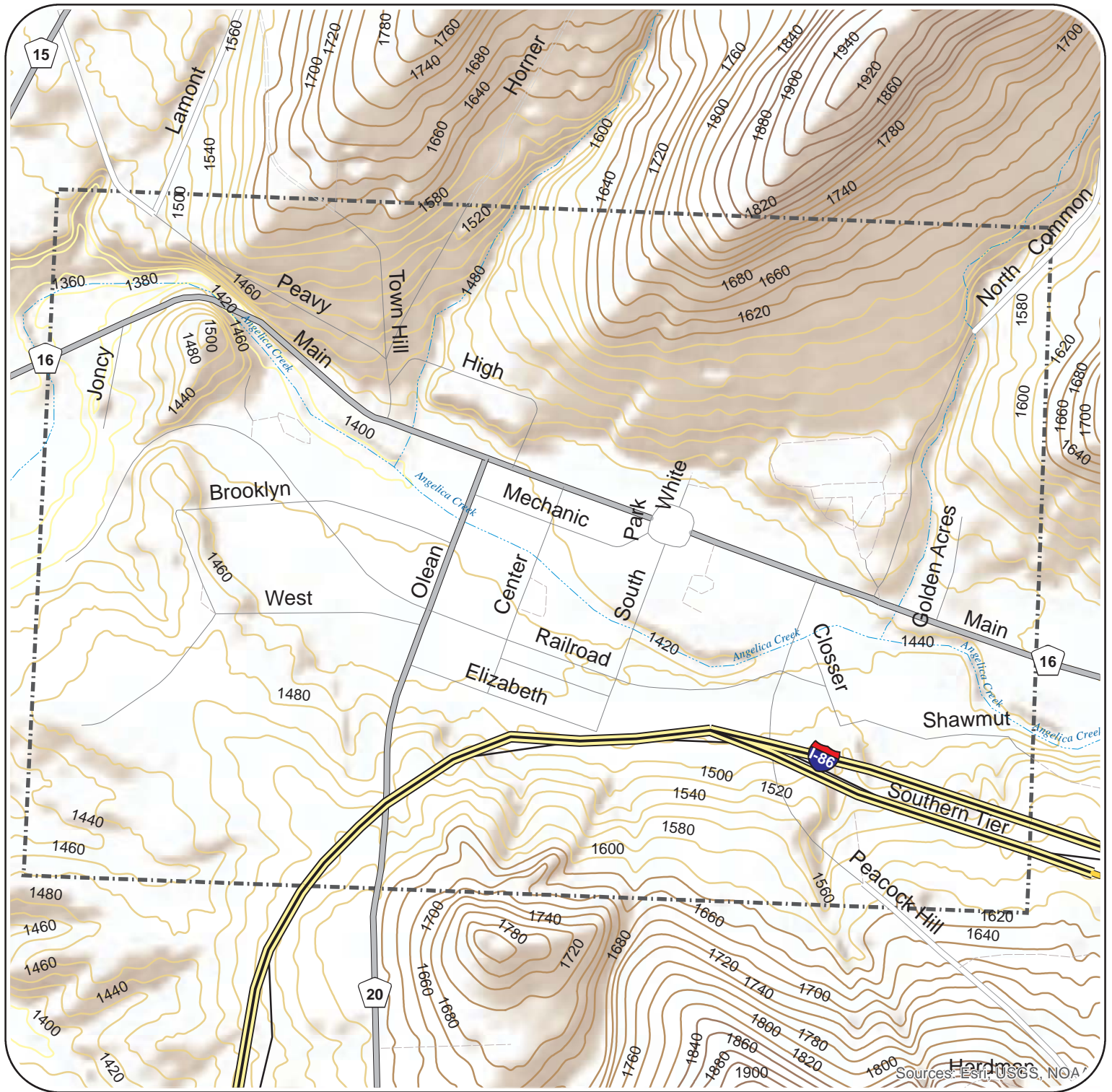
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Elevation Coverage Map



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960 - 1000
1001 - 1200
1201 - 1400
1401 - 1600
1601 - 1800
1801 - 2000
2001 - 2200
2201 - 2400
2401 - 2600

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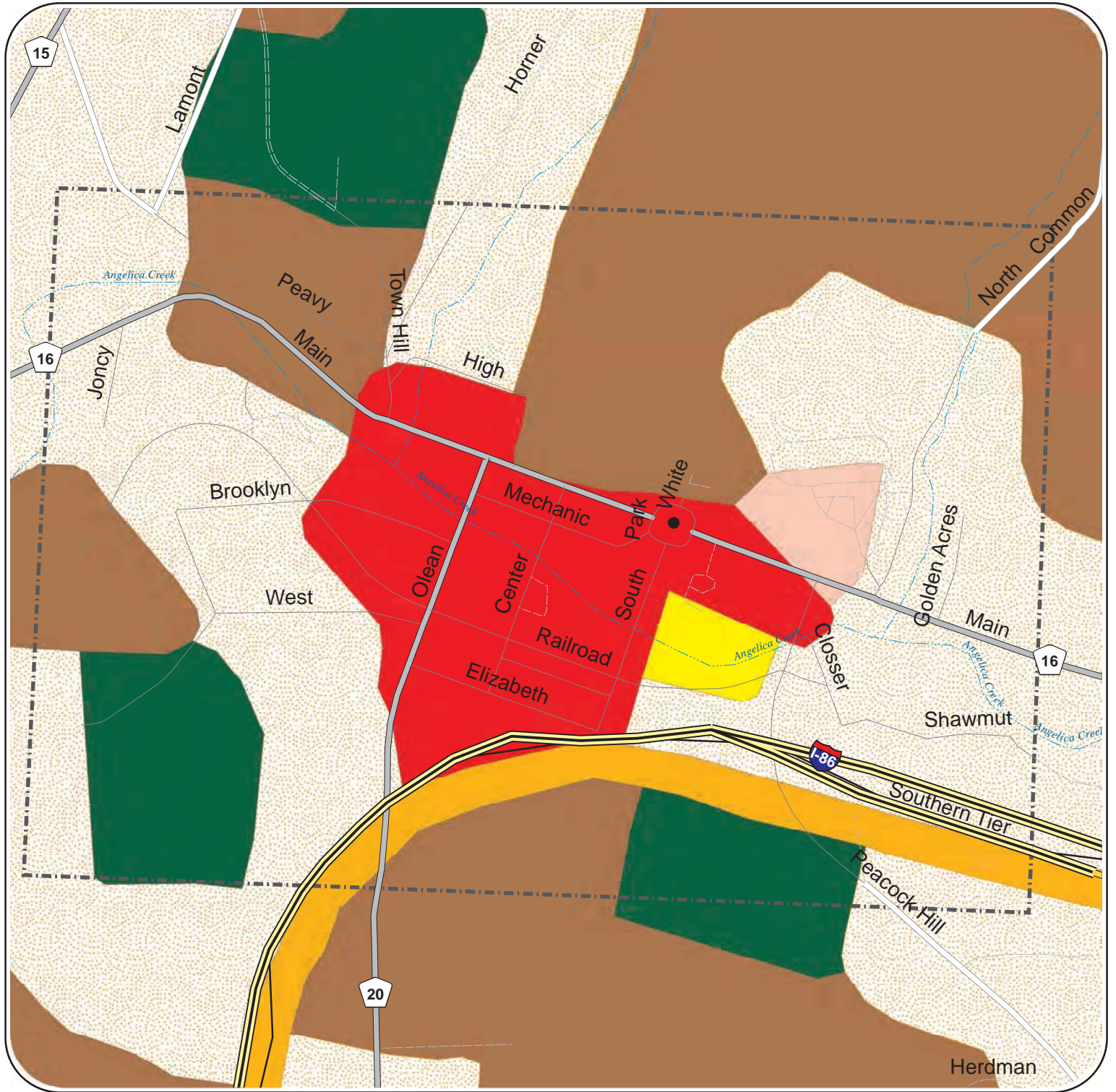


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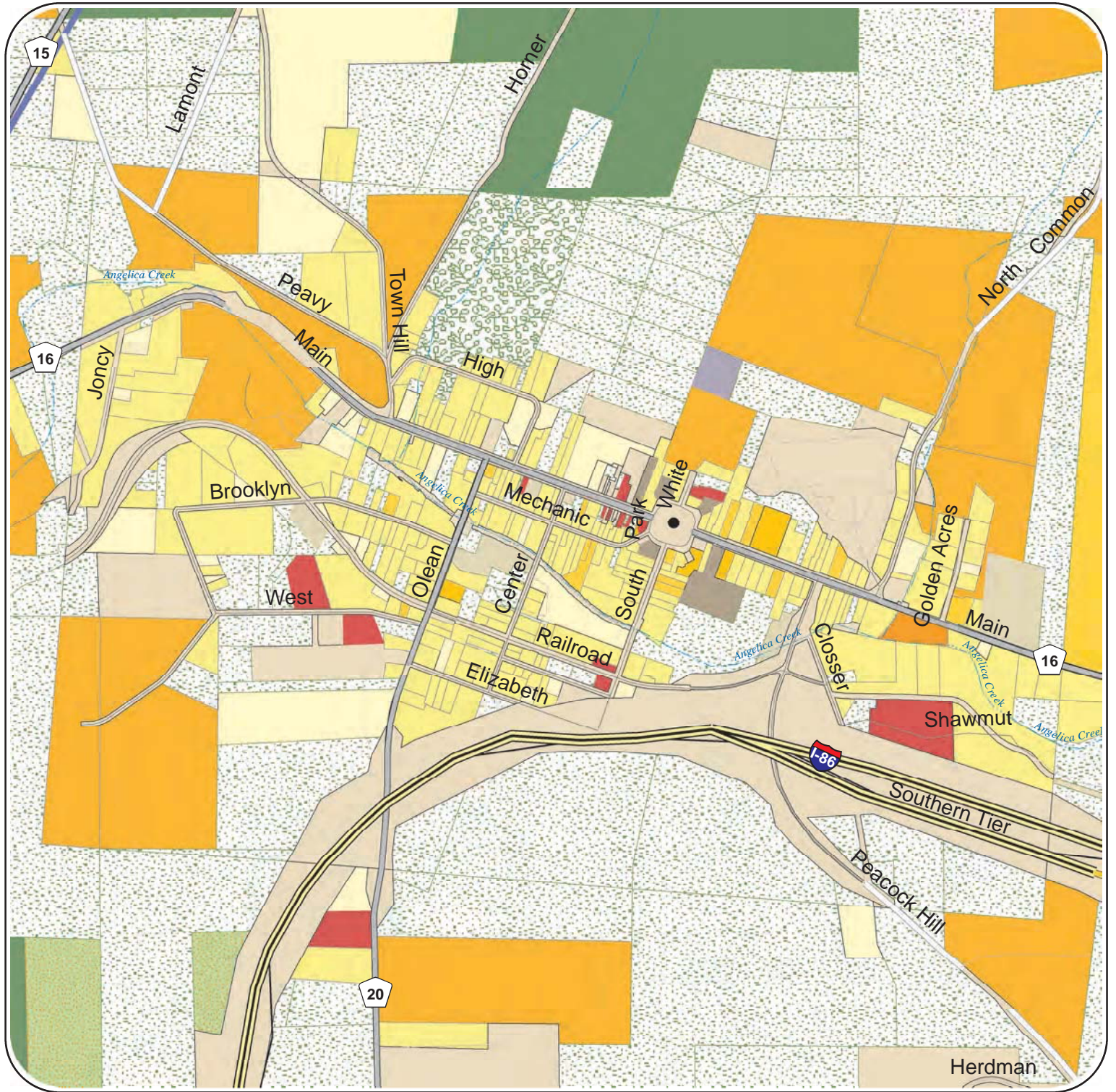
Sources: Esri, USGS, NOAA



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[Red]	Residential
[Yellow]	Commercial Services
[Orange]	Transportation, Communications
[Light Brown]	Mixed Urban or Built up Lands
[Light Tan]	Other Urban or built up lands
[Light Green]	Cropland or Pasture
[Dark Green]	Other Agricultural Lands
[Light Green]	Shrub and Brush Rangelands
[Light Green]	Deciduous Forest Lands
[Dark Green]	Evergreen Forest Lands
[Light Green]	Mixed Forest Lands
[Blue]	Reservoirs
[Dark Blue]	Strip Mines, Quarries and Gravel Pits

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Legend	
	<all other values>
PROPCLASS	
	Agricultural Vacant Land (Productive) Land
	Cattle, Calves, Hogs
	Field Crops
	One Family Year-Round Residence
	Two Family Year-Round Residence
	Three Family Year Round Residence
	Rural Residence with Acreage
	Seasonal Residences
	Mobile Home
	Multiple Mobile Homes
	Residential - Multi-Purpose/Multi-Structure
	Residential Land Including a Small Improvement
	Rural Vacant Lots of 10 Acres or Less
	Residential Vacant Land Over 10 Acres
	Trailer Park
	Auto Body, Tire Shops, Other Related Auto Sales
	Lumber Yard
	Other Storage, Warehouse and Distribution Facilities
	Downtown Row Type (detached)
	One Story Small Structure
	School
	Religious
	Benevolent and Moral Associations
	Highway Garage
	Police and Fire Protection
	Cemeteries
	Mining and Quarrying
	Water Supply Land
	Gas Measuring and Regulation Station



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D. TASK SHEETS AND TIMELINE MATRIX

The following task sheets are the actual working documents that were developed during the Planning Process to develop the plan. The Task sheets can act as the cook book for actually doing the projects of the plan. If a person or group is interested in working on a project they can look at the Task Sheet that applies for the particular project and learn what the Comprehensive Plan, public and municipal boards had discussed and considered to actually implement a project. As projects are undertaken these task sheets can be updated or removed as needed without having to changing the actual plan.

In 2019, these Task Sheets comprise the work effort of the various groups in 2007. If a Task was only for the Town it has been removed. The remainder have been modified to reflect the Village perspective.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

FIRE HALL:

This task calls for the development of plans and construction of a new fire hall within the Village of Angelica. The present building is undersized and does not meet the needs of the department in its present form. A new fire hall will provide space that is able to properly accommodate the new larger modern trucks that are purchased, offer storage for supplies in better and sanitary facilities, offer actual office space for the Chief, Dispatch and Ambulance crews, have better meeting space for department and community meetings, etc.

FIRE DISTRICT:

This task calls for the establishment of the fire department as a fire district rather than a division of the Village of Angelica government. Doing this would allow the fire department to be separated from the Village government and the constraints imposed on it both fiscally and politically. Creation of this district would reduce Village taxes. Creation of this district would spread the costs of operating the fire and ambulance services equitably across all tax payers within the fire district that includes the Town of Angelica and the Village of Angelica.

INCREASE MEMBERSHIP:

This task has two ideas to be worked on for increasing membership and participation in the Fire and Ambulance crews. The first is the development of the Jr. Fire department program to acquaint young people with the Fire Department and get them interested in participating at an earlier age. The second would be the development of a more vigorous social/family activity program within the department so that members find additional reasons to participate. [All work and no play makes the fire department ["Jack"] a dull entity ["boy"].

POLICE:

Increase available police personnel on the Angelica Police Department roster to give more flexibility for staffing. Presently Angelica Police is a part-time entity and as such all police officers are working at other facilities as their regular jobs. Most of these are working for the County Sheriff's office, dispatch or jail. As such scheduling is severely constrained by the requirements of their regular work. Additional officers on the roster will allow the Officer in Charge to develop better coverage within the Village.

MEDICAL:

The sub-group sees the need for an availability of prescription drug delivery into the Town and Village of Angelica for those who are not readily able to go to a drug store. The group believes

that a plan needs to be developed to work with area pharmacy to establish delivery of meds to Angelica on a regular and reasonable schedule.

COMMUNITY DISASTER PREPAREDNESS PLAN:

The community disaster preparedness plan is severely out of date and needs to be updated. This needs to be done to be in line with modern Homeland security issues. Another major change that has occurred since the last revision is that Genesee Valley Central School has built and moved into the campus in Belmont. The original plan included utilizing their bus transportation and facility for many items.

WALKING TRAILS – NATURE AND HISTORIC

- WHAT:** Establish walking trails between the proposed Tourist Center and the proposed Park at Joncy Bridge. The walking trails will have a nature theme and historic theme. A footbridge over Angelica creek at South Street will be included in the trail system.
- WHERE:** The historic theme will extend from the Tourist Center through Main Street and the business section and beyond. The nature trail will extend from the Tourist Center along south side of Angelica Creek, cross creek on Foot Bridge at South Street, then from downtown to Joncy Bridge and trail area.
- WHY:** To attract more visitors and expand the purpose of their visits. For greater economic impact for the area.
- HOW:** Trail building and sidewalk improvement for each theme trail. Design corresponding brochures to be available at Tourist Center. Sidewalk markers could be designed to identify historic and folklore information along trail. Suggestions to place information on bricks/blocks (similar to clock) directly in concrete sidewalk in an attractive method. May open up grant opportunities.
- WHO:** Village Board to appoint committee to seek fund to complete project(s).
- WHEN:** Appoint appropriate committee in early 2020.
- RESULTS:** Give visitors and residents an opportunity to enjoy our village and increase economic impact.
- COSTS:** To be determined by budget and grants, cost includes marker costs, printing of brochure, advertising etc.

TASK ITEM TITLE: ENFORCEMENT CODES

- WHAT:** Enforcement code regulations must be reviewed. Upon review, those regulations that are appropriate must be enforced by the respective village board. We need to ensure local control – tighten current codes to be able to enforce local laws and allow control to enhance cleanup.
- WHERE:** Within the village limits.
- WHY:** To improve the quality of life while enhancing economic growth and prosperity.
- HOW:** Review past enforcement code complaints. Assess complaints with regards to existing regulations. Make changes to regulations and enforcement of regulations as appropriate. Village laws need to be reviewed for easier enforcement without repercussions to the complainer. Complaint should be addressed by the respective boards in reply to complaints made.
- WHO:** Village Board with public input.
- WHEN:** To start immediately and be reviewed and updated on a regular basis...annually.
- RESULTS:** Appropriate enforcement codes, enforced consistently, with a goal of acceptance by the community.
- COSTS:** possible printing costs of codes to be distributed to residents and continued costs of code enforcement officer. Could be a shared service between village and town.

FESTIVAL/EVENTS

- WHAT:** Would like to see more planned community events and improving the ones that are already established. Kicking things up a notch. Enhanced use of fairgrounds such as concerts, railroad events, auctions, themed festivals. Could encourage community in themed decorations. Purchase attractive new decorations for business district and carry theme throughout village.
- WHERE:** Main Street (Business District – Historic District), Park Circle, Grange, Fairgrounds.
- WHY:** Encourage people to visit Angelica, getting to know your neighbor and community, encourage street projects, tourism. Gather all facets, Business District, Boosters, Historic District, Community members to be “in the same book” and work toward common goal...attracting people to visit Angelica and enjoy our community and shop...etc.
- HOW:** Establish a community pride committee from all facets and look at new opportunities to draw people/tourist/families to Angelica. Ideas for events – Christmas Festival-placing of Village Christmas tree in Park, Lawn and Garden shows, Appraised Antiques Auction, additional Tractor Pulls, Concerts, Moses Van Campen Days, Bicycle Tours, Fall Scarecrow Festival, Railroad days, community picnic, Harley Days, Winter Carnival with sled dog races, snowmobile races, sleigh rides, horse shows. Review other areas, states festivals/events and see what might work here.
- WHO:** stated in “how”.
- WHEN:** could begin as soon as this year and continue throughout the year.
- RESULTS:** Impressive village to visit. People will travel to see decorations etc. if of impressive nature or themed. Events would establish and re-energize community spirit and pride. A need to follow through with ideas that are reasonable, manageable and achievable. We have great people ... let’s get them together and all will benefit!
- COSTS:** various

RESTAURANT – BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND DINNER

- WHAT:** Speaks for itself.....enough said!!
- WHERE:** Anywhere within the Village of Angelica
- WHY:** Everyone can't go to the fire hall...
- HOW:** Local business opportunity
- WHO:** businessperson
- WHEN:** yesterday would have been great! 7 days a week service!!
- RESULTS:** A community need....and a visitors MUST.
- COSTS:** reasonable for all

SENIOR CITIZEN HOUSING

- WHAT:** Establish a multi-income, multi-design living complex that can expand as demand requires.
- WHERE:** To be built at Allegany/Railroad area or White Street.
- WHY:** To provide local seniors with appropriate housing for those who have difficulty maintaining their primary residences. To attract other seniors to relocate/retire to this area.
- HOW:** This could be done through a municipally owned development or through private enterprise.
- WHO:** Seniors age 62 and older.
- WHEN:** Action to be taken within the next 5 years.
- RESULTS:** Maintenance free housing for seniors. Increase economic vitality of the community. Free up residential units for families and allow senior citizens alternatives to remaining in their community.
- COSTS:** To be established by funding sources.

TOURIST CENTER WITH RESTROOM FACILITY

- WHAT:** Another “gateway” to Angelica. Tourist Center in the design of a large covered a kiosk, like that at Rattlesnake Hill, with easy parking for multiple cars. The kiosk will include a large map identifying places of interest, brochures, calendar of events and other information on Angelica and surrounding areas. Restrooms should be included here along with additional restrooms on Main Street. Could include a small meeting room in tourist center.
- WHERE:** Located on public land at Intersection of I-86. Also information at Joncy Bridge and a Main Street site. Restroom Facility could be located near downtown area, possible old village offices on White Street.
- WHY:** To inform travelers of what’s in Angelica and surrounding areas. To give folks a reason to come and stay awhile.
- HOW:** Committee identified by Village board to seek funds and plan aspects of Tourist Center.
- WHO:** Tourist Center Committee and interested individuals. Village participation encouraged. Use of local photographers (former and present) for pictures, brochures and maps.
- WHEN:** Committee to be established.
- RESULTS:** An informed traveler will spend more time and money in Angelica and surrounding areas. It will enhance a positive first impression to travelers coming to Angelica. Somewhere for a tourist to start their visit and gain the knowledge of where to “go” while visiting Angelica.
- COSTS:** dependent on design, budgets and grants.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANGELICA

WHAT: Angelica needs Christmas/Winter holiday decorations.

WHERE: The Angelica Park Circle and Main Street Historic District/Business District.

WHY: To enhance the beauty of the village and bring the holiday spirit to Angelica residents [both young and old], as well as surrounding community residents.

HOW: Form a Christmas Decorating Committee to (1) catalog exiting decorations located in the old village office and town hall; (2) determine what can be utilized and store/manage it properly; (3) make remaining existing decorations available to village residents to research types and prices of new affordable decorations in keeping with the theme of historic Angelica.

These decorations should be rugged enough to be used for several years. The committee also needs to utilize the existing decorations located in the old village office and town hall.

WHO: This committee will consist of volunteers from the Angelica area. They will present their findings and suggestions to the village board for approval. Funds will be secured from:

- a.] Angelica village governments
- b.] Local organizations
- c.] Local Businesses
- d.] Individuals

WHEN: Committee should be formed ASAP for the Christmas Season.

RESULTS: A beautiful Main Street would draw more shoppers into the Village, creating more sales for gift stores, antique shops, restaurants, gas stations, grocery store, etc.

COSTS: TBD.

BUILDINGS ON MAIN STREET (HISTORIC DISTRICT) NEEDING ATTENTION

- WHAT:** Try to help existing properties and their owners from depreciating more and/or helping in the repair
- WHERE:** Properties on Main Street in the Historic District
- WHY:** To bring them up to standards of existing places, and that they do not have to be demolished- and some also affect the aesthetics of the village
- HOW:** Finding grants and monies that are available to help these owners as well as procuring funds for up keeping existing places so they will not fall into disrepair
- WHO:** Village board, other merchants and concerned citizens
- WHEN:** Ones that are in need of utmost care as soon as possible then continuing in a manner that helps all that is needed
- RESULTS:** Village does not lose properties, becomes less dangerous (structure collapsing) and looks more cared for
- COSTS:** Unknown as we would have to find out what shape these projects are- hopefully will receive grants to finance the change

LIGHTING THE HISTORIC PARK CIRCLE BUILDINGS

- WHAT:** Spotlight Angelica's historic buildings and its rare antique stained glass windows.
- WHERE:** The churches, Town Hall and Grange building located on the Park Circle.
- WHY:** Highlight and draw attention to the beautiful mid-1800's architecture, especially during the holiday season [All of December].
- HOW:** Flood lights would be placed on the exterior façade of each building and put on a timer from dusk until midnight. Lighting the Stained Glass windows from the interior would limelight the intense colors and unique designs.
- WHO:** Skip Hecker and "friends" will help with the project.
- WHEN:** Lights should be in place by December 1.
- RESULTS:** Giving the Park Circle extra attention during the holiday season will increase community pride and enhance Angelica's charm!!!
- COSTS:** The village could give a reduced rate on the electric bill for the month of December to help with the additional expense. Otherwise, each building would be responsible for the extra electricity costs.

STREET LIGHTS ON WHITE STREET

- WHAT:** Complete a project to install round globe street lights on White Street, the only street (off Park Circle?) (In Ph. Church's original plan for Angelica) that has not yet been outfitted with these.
- WHERE:** White Street.
- WHY:** To enhance the attractiveness and safety of the street; to complete the joint Village – Boosters project; for artistic “balance.”
- HOW:** Request that this project be added to the list undertaken by the Village Electric Dept in the next fiscal year, if possible, although this is not a high- priority project. It could be done in tandem with the redevelopment of the old Village barn.
- WHO:** The Village Electric Dept., with fundraising assistance by the Boosters.
- WHEN:** As soon as the Village can fund and schedule the work.
- RESULTS:** A better-lit community. Increased community pride. Improved safety for pedestrians, homeowners, and the Village property there.
- COSTS:** TBD

OLD VILLAGE OFFICE SITE

- WHAT:** Renovate Site for a new Project (welcome center, public facility etc.) and use for public parking lot or gardens
- WHERE:** White Street
- WHY:** This site is currently a parking lot.
- HOW:** Find out if it feasible to replace it at a nominal cost, possibly a grant for new facility.
- WHO:** Village can check if it still can be used
- WHEN:** within next five years
- RESULTS:** A New property in the Village and/or parking Lot and gardens
- COSTS:** To demolish cheaper than to erect

LAND USE GUIDELINES TO PROTECT THE HISTORIC DISTRICT

WHAT: Establish a small set of acceptable guidelines relating to the built environment to protect and preserve the historic integrity and character of the Park Circle National Historic District.

WHERE: This activity will be restricted to the Park Circle National Historic District.

WHY: The existence of the historic district is an effective means to manage land use in that area and to protect those assets against the threat of development. In this respect, for local land and homeowners, historic districts are an effective tool for maintaining and enhancing property values.

In preserving historic properties, such districts also contribute to the positive image of the community and insure the continuing legacy of those before us who strived to build it.

We can accomplish this by a review of applications for building permits within the historic district completed by a Historic District Commission chartered by the Village. The Commission would accept, review and act upon all building permits, and issue certificates of appropriateness for all applications other than individual residences that might be located within the historic districts. Decisions would be based upon consideration of the relationship of a project to its surroundings within the district, the location and arrangement of structures, the treatment of exterior architectural features and the finish of structures, and, more generally, the compatibility of the land use within the district as it may affect the character and integrity of district.

HOW: Propose such a Commission to the Village to see if it can be established. The Historic District Commission would meet monthly to draft guidelines for ratification, and then begin the work of reviewing permits as outlined above – again, on a monthly basis. It would make regular reports to the Village.

Here is an example of a Massachusetts town and how they have chartered their Commission: <https://westfordma.gov/300/Historical-Commission>

WHO: The Commission would be comprised of representatives of government, merchants, Boosters, district homeowners, etc., to ensure a broad perspective and a commission that includes disparate and varied points of view.

WHEN: As soon as the Village can agree to establish such a commission, work could begin.

COSTS: Nothing.

VILLAGE GARDENERS

- WHAT:** Create a community gardening group that would develop and maintain landscaping for village beautification.
- WHERE:** Historic District container gardens, Park Circle, immediate area surrounding “Welcome to Angelica” signs.
- WHY:** To beautify and care for the appearance of the Village.
- HOW:** Express need and find interested people to fulfill it.
- WHO:** Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners (fulfill community service requirements) Community volunteers
- WHEN:** Begin new gardens for spring of 2020. Group participation at Main Street in May and Heritage Days. Annual Seed Swap.
- RESULTS:** Visual beauty and community endeavor.
- COSTS:** \$0

VILLAGE RECYCLING

- WHAT:** Implement recycling for glass and aluminum in the Village.
- WHERE:** Historic District – 2 bins (1 each side of street) Park Circle – 1-2 bins Harris – 1 bin
- WHY:** This is an action step illustrating a responsible community with regard to conserving natural resources, saving energy, and protecting the environment.
- HOW:** Place recycling receptacles at prominent, high-traffic locations.
- WHO:** Possibilities include the Village in conjunction with trash pick-up, Boosters, Boy Scouts, Conservation Club, 4-H groups, individual adoption of bins, BOCES, and GVCS.
- WHEN:** ASAP
- RESULTS:** See Why.
- COSTS:** Receptacle purchase. Numbers to come.

SR. CITIZEN RESIDENCE

WHAT: There is a need in the Village of Angelica and for its associated towns for housing located and designed to meet the special needs and habits of senior citizens. Such housing can contribute to the dignity, independence, meaningful activity, and continued family and community involvement of our senior citizens in their retirement years.

WHAT: A Sr. Citizen Residence can be integrated into the existing residential or surrounding neighborhoods if properly planned, constructed and maintained. Examples of specific sites could be the town owned land at the Interstate 86 Exit/Entrance for new construction, or the re-construction of a suitable existing building on or around Main Street.

WHAT: Sr. citizens have different needs than the population as a whole. These needs often include support services, such as central food service, social services and referral consultation, medical services, housekeeping assistance and central laundry. Sr. citizens also need to be provided with a comfortable, independent and supportive setting where they can move when a private residence is no longer appropriate. A community that is able to provide adequate senior housing to their long-term residents benefits from their knowledge, wisdom, and continued participation in the growth of the community.

WHAT: The most appropriate means to fulfill the purposes of this task is to establish Sr. Housing Floating Districts by the Planning Board via its site plan review/land use regulations. The purpose of the Sr. Housing District is to enable the Planning Board to permit, on a case-by-case basis, senior housing that satisfies the need for such development in locations where it will not detract from surrounding land uses, and will serve the special needs of the sr. citizens. Upon granting of a senior housing land use designation and all other approvals from regulatory agencies, including Planning Board approval, the applicant may obtain a building permit and commence construction.

The Planning Board, prior to reaching a decision on a Sr. Housing Floating District, shall provide written findings that the applicant/application meets the following conditions:

- All construction must conform to the New York State Multiple Dwellings Law as appropriate, the New York State Energy Conservation Code and the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code as may be amended from time to time.
- The design of the Sr. Citizens Residence shall be as compatible as practical with the design of the surrounding neighborhood.

- Sites shall be located in an area suitable for residential purposes and shall be reasonably free of objectionable conditions, such as industrial odors, noise, and dust.
- Sr. housing shall be located so that adequate resources, environmental quality and public facilities, including water supply, waste disposal and fire protection, are available.
- Sr. housing sites shall provide residents with reasonable as practical access to such conveniences and facilities as public transportation, hospital and medical services, shopping, check cashing facilities, drugstores, religious, cultural and recreational facilities and personal services.
- Sr. housing developments shall preserve, to the greatest extent practical, mature trees, slopes, wetlands, and stream corridors.
- Sr. housing sites shall emphasize pedestrian circulation and shall provide a safe and reasonable system of drives, service access and parking conveniently accessible to all occupants. Sidewalks shall link parking lots, transit stops and buildings on site and with adjacent properties.
- The Village Board shall have the right to require the applicant to dedicate to the Village all new water supply and wastewater systems, street and recreational areas.

WHAT:

- The Angelica Planning Board will provide written approval for the site and design of construction for a Sr. Citizen's Residence.
- The applicant will not begin construction until after receiving final written approval from the Planning Board.
- In Sr. housing developments, one (1) person shall be designated as a responsible party and shall be the informational center for the complex. The designated responsible party shall be on duty a minimum of four (4) hours per day and shall have an emergency number posted 24 hours per day.

WHAT:

Applications for site approval and construction of a Sr. Citizens Residence will be accepted after the establishment of a Planning Board, and ratification of the Angelica Comprehensive Plan.

WHAT:

A Sr. Citizen Residence that blends into the existing fabric of the community and meets the above conditions has a much higher degree of acceptance by neighbors, and the sr. citizens who live there find it much easier to remain a significant part of the community as a whole.

- WHAT:**
- 1) All costs associated with the application, construction, and compliance to State and local laws will be the responsibility of the applicant.
 - 2) If Town or Village owned land is approved as an acceptable site, rent/lease monies for this land would be additional income.

Additional Considerations

A federally funded Sr. Citizen Residence must also accept individuals with special needs. A survey of the residents of Angelica and its associated towns as to their acceptance of this specification should be a part of the Planning Board's final approval.

AGRI - TOURISM

WHAT: Agri-tourism is a subset of a larger industry called rural tourism that includes resorts, off-site farmers' markets, non-profit agricultural tours, and other leisure and hospitality businesses that attract visitors to the countryside. An increasing number of farm businesses are opening their doors to visitors today. Farm tours, farm-based Bed and Breakfast operations, farm vacations, seasonal festivals, and other forms of agri-tourism are attracting growing numbers of local, regional and even international visitors.

An agri-tourism enterprise can be a profitable and enjoyable undertaking for some farmers, diversifying the business and creating employment for family members and others.

Agri-tourism also represents a real opportunity for economic development in some communities. The agri-tourism industry is relatively undeveloped in New York State compared to some other states, and especially compared to other countries where agri-tourism is extremely popular among vacationers. There are many opportunities for strengthening agri-tourism in New York, locally, on the regional level, and statewide. Enhancing cooperation among agri-tourism businesses, connecting agri-tourism with other forms of tourism, creating cooperative promotional programs, building an international presence for NY agri-tourism, and providing business development assistance and support for new agri-tourism enterprises are among the strategies that could be pursued.

WHERE: Property owners in Angelica and its associated towns would utilize their existing land and expertise to participate. A Farmer's Market could possibly be housed at the Park Circle.

WHY: Agricultural tourism, or Agri-tourism, is one alternative for improving the incomes and potential economic viability of small farms and rural communities. Some forms of agri-tourism enterprises are well developed in many other states including fairs, festivals, etc. NYS is actively encouraging Agri-Tourism as a viable rural enterprise through education, workshops and grants.

In addition to their direct economic impacts, local farms provide many non-economic benefits that enhance the local community and the region. They preserve open space and beautify the landscape, maintaining rural character and making communities more attractive to tourists and to employers. They contribute to community quality of life, and provide fresh, wholesome foods with superior taste and nutrition. As independent small businesses, they contribute to a strong middle class and a healthy civil society. In many communities, growing public recognition of these "intangible" benefits is what has sparked interest in agricultural economic and community development.

HOW: Consult with Alfred University's sustainability issue.

Potential Agri-Tourism Projects:

Retail Farmers' Markets and Development:

Farmer's Markets produce community and economic development. This market provides an environment for establishing food and agricultural businesses. Also, provides a market for selling locally grown produce, flowers and we can encourage the Amish Community to participate in this market, possibly housed at the Park Circle on a weekly basis.

Alternative land use in Angelica:

Micro Farming – sub-divisions of large farms {off dedicated roads} Apple Orchards

Herb Farms Flower Orchards

Butterfly Farms/Exhibits, etc. Vegetable Farms

Horse Ranch with guest housing Host Farms

Pick Your Own Farms

Pumpkin Farm, Hay Rides, Corn Maze Farmer Mentor Programs

Organic Vegetable Farms

Project Lavender

This project has been the vision of Pat Kaake for a few years. We have discussed growing lavender for quite some time and I think this is the time to initiate the project. We hope to obtain county interest in growing lavender and developing small cottage industries and light manufacturing businesses to make lavender by products. For example, soaps, sprays, sachet, dried lavender, pet products, etc.

Festivals in Angelica

Lavender Festival – Late June – Early July Heritage Days – August

Pumpkin Festival/Hay Rides/Corn Mazes – Early October Apple Harvest Festival - September

WHO:

1) Cornell University/Cornell Cooperative Extension will be utilized for their expertise and guidance.

2) Cornell/AECD (Agriculture Economic Community Development) is the process of community planning, organizing and action to enhance the viability of local agriculture. Please see their website at http://www.cfap.org/afs_temp3.cfm?topicID=330

3) Angelica Comprehensive Plan members and interested property owners would need to be the Agri- Tourism students, educators, and marketers to Angelica and its associated towns.

WHEN: Research, soil studies, meetings with Cornell, and marketing the idea to potential area participants can all be conducted in 2007. If successful, the related festivals and will be in 2008.
A Farmer's Market in the Park Circle could be as early as summer '07.

RESULTS: Promotion of Agri-tourism in Angelica and its associated towns would distinguish us as a distinctive rural tourist destination. Additionally, the local residents, retail owners, and participating property owners would benefit economically. Last but not least, Agri-Tourism would help maintain the rural character and make our communities more attractive to tourists and to employers.

COSTS:

1) New Funding for Agri-tourism in NYS Sponsor: NYSDAM

Description: This grant program provides up to \$50,000 in matching funds for projects involving traditional agri-tourism activities, as well as new approaches in promoting New York food and agriculture.

Individuals, public and private agencies and organizations, business and industry, educational institutions and local governments are eligible to submit proposals for funding under this Request for Proposals (RFP.) Eligible projects should involve the development, implementation or expansion of activities which promote New York food and agriculture by attracting visitors to New York State for economic, social, cultural, environmental and or educational purposes. Projects and activities may be for-profit or not-for-profit, and may involve ongoing, seasonal, annual, or one-time events. Eligible proposals should involve a program, project or activity taking place at a food or agriculture related location that promotes the production, harvest, processing, manufacture, or sale of New York State food and farm products, attracts visitors and enhance the public's understanding and awareness of New York agriculture. Examples of eligible projects may include but are not limited to:

- Direct Marketing Efforts: Farm stands, farmers markets, cut your own Christmas trees, u-pick operations, and local breweries and wineries.
- Educational Venues: Farm, garden and food processing tours, museums, food and agricultural exhibits.
- Entertainment: Fairs and festivals, petting zoos, hay rides, corn mazes, children's activities and outdoor recreation.
- Lodging & Dining: Bed and breakfasts, farm vacations, rural campgrounds, country inns, restaurants and food concessions.

GRANT PROCUREMENT

- WHAT:** Angelica needs a dedicated, part- or full-time grant researcher/writer to help identify potential sources of funding and help procure the resources required to achieve many of the Angelica Comprehensive Plan goals. This person's time could be spent working on finding opportunities and writing grant proposals -- in an agreed-to priority order -- according to the final Angelica Comprehensive Plan.
- WHERE:** If possible, this person should reside in Angelica and could either work from his or her home or private office, or from dedicated space in the Town Hall or Village office.
- WHY:** Few, if any, stakeholders in the Angelica Comprehensive Plan (elected/appointed officials, community volunteers, etc.) are trained in grantsmanship. These people are also very busy with their existing workload. To bring our plans to fruition in a timely manner, we require a dedicated professional that can bring home the money. The County is rumored to be seeking to hire a grant writer. If this is true, that would be a fine thing, but Angelica is one of more than 29 towns and 10 villages in the County that would have to stand in line to get some of this person's time. It is essential that we have a person dedicated to Angelica's needs.
- HOW:** Ask the bank, larger area businesses, Hyland landfill, etc. to contribute to this person's first-year salary and related expenses. The Town and Village could match these funds. Ask the Allegany Area Foundation for a small grant. Ask STWF for a small grant. The Angelica Comprehensive Plan board could potentially partner with non- profit groups such as the Boosters/501(c) 4 or CCAC for certain funding opportunities.
- WHO:** This 'employee' could be covered by a shared services agreement between town and village. The grant writer, whether an employee or independent contractor, could report to these entities in the same way the Highway Superintendent does (although I confess I do not know what that reporting structure is at present.)
- WHEN:** Research for funding opportunities could begin now – by anyone and everyone involved with the Angelica Comprehensive Plan – while committees investigate and refine their Task Items. Since the Angelica Comprehensive Plan won't be ratified until next year, it would be difficult to tie paid grant writing activities to the official plan any time before, say, March 2007. It might be wise to allocate some money in both the Town and Village budgets for the next fiscal year, just in case.

RESULTS: This will be a successful endeavor when the first grant application is submitted. It will be a highly successful endeavor with the first grant is awarded. It will be a complete success when the person's salary is dwarfed by the amount of new money attracted to Angelica Comprehensive Plan projects through his/her efforts.

COSTS: TBD. We could pay a person by the hour, by the job, or with a full- or part-time salary. A grant writer working 10 hours per week for a year will invest 500 hours on finding us money to achieve our goals. Multiply that by what you think a specialist should earn. Grant writers are professionals with a highly valuable set of skills, knowledge, and experience. Like lawyers, dentists, or auto mechanics who work diligently on your behalf, the end result is unknowable, yet you pay them by the hour or job because you need their services.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

WHAT: The Angelica Historic Preservation Committee would be created by a Village Law. The Committee would consist of appointed commissioners. The Committee would have the following responsibilities: investigating local landmark and district nominations, maintaining a register of all designated landmarks and historic districts, nominating properties to the National Register of Historic Places, and reviewing applications for changes affecting designated landmarks or historic districts. Generally, the Historic Preservation Committee is responsible for overseeing all aspects of historic preservation activities in the Village of Angelica.

WHERE: The Planning Board could meet in the Town community center Hall, or other designated facility with public access.

WHY: Historic Preservation is a link through which the memory of an enduring community is preserved and passed on to succeeding generations. It is generally difficult to remember the past without having a connection to the past. The U.S. Congress reaffirmed the reasons for enacting historic preservation programs with the following rationale:

- The spirit and direction of the Nation are founded upon and reflected in its historic heritage.
- The historical and cultural foundations of the nation should be preserved as a living part of our community and development in order to give a sense of orientation to the American people.
- Historic properties significant to the Nation's heritage are being lost or substantially altered with increasing frequency.
- The preservation of this irreplaceable heritage is in the public interest. Its vital legacy of cultural, educational, aesthetic, inspirational, economic and energy benefits will be maintained and enriched for future generations of Americans.

HOW: The committee could either be under the auspices of a current organization such as the Boosters or could be a separate organization. The committee would work according to the guidelines of a historic preservation law with the purpose to promote the protection, enhancement, perpetuation, and use of improvements of special character or historical interest or value in the interest of the health, prosperity, safety, and welfare of the people of Angelica by:

- Providing a mechanism to identify and preserve the historic and architectural characteristics of Angelica which represents elements of the its cultural, social, economic, political and architectural history;
- Promoting civic pride in the beauty and noble accomplishments of the past as represented in Angelica's landmarks and historic districts;

- Stabilizing and improving the economic vitality and value of Angelica's landmarks and historic areas;
- Protecting and enhancing the attractiveness of Angelica to house buyers, visitors and shoppers and thereby supporting business, commerce, industry, and providing economic benefit to the Village;
- Fostering and encouraging preservation, restoration of structures, areas, and neighborhoods and thereby preventing potential blight.

WHO: The Angelica Historic Preservation Committee would be established with the enactment of a Historic Preservation Law by the Angelica Village Board.

The Committee would consist of a (# Of members) member board, appointed by the Mayor and approved by the Village Board. The Committee may also include non-voting ex officio members appointed for their expertise or particular knowledge of the community and or historic preservation.

WHEN: A Historic Preservation Committee could be created, and a Historic Preservation Law written based on the agreement of the Angelica Village Board. This could happen before or after ratification of the Angelica Comprehensive Plan.

RESULTS: Angelica would preserve its unique historical significance and enhance its desirability to residents, tourists, and current and future property owners. In addition, the Historic Preservation Committee could become a non-profit organization adding to the monetary support of Village related projects.

COSTS: The cost of creating a Historic Preservation Committee would be the time and energy of those involved. The cost of writing a Historic Preservation Law would be the time and energy of those involved and any associated state mandate fees.

Additional Considerations:

Upon Approval of this task (creating a Historic Preservation Committee) by the Angelica Comprehensive Plan Board would then constitute creating a task sheet for writing the Historical Preservation Law.

INFRASTRUCTURE

WHAT: Increase Angelica's desirability as a place of business and residence. Angelica must offer adequate municipal infrastructure and state-of-the-art telecommunications to maintain current, and encourage new residents and businesses.

WHERE: NA

WHY: Angelica must offer services that are at least equal to those found in other Western New York communities to give us a competitive edge. Updating and improving our infrastructure would bump us up a notch as we already have good water, a very low crime rate, low electric, etc.

HOW:

- 1) Municipal Sewer: Long-term planning of installing a municipal sewage system should begin now to obtain monies and prepare the community for the inevitable construction interruptions.
- 2) Electric Upgrade: Electric lines could be buried during the municipal sewer construction.
- 3) Telecommunications: Angelica must encourage its utilities to provide the Internet and cell phone services that have become commonplace in other regions.
- 4) Sidewalks: Make the community safer for both residents and visitors by repairing current sidewalks. Install new sidewalks/walkways in specified areas to increase resident and visitor exploration of Angelica, i.e.; South Street footbridge, Mechanic Street museum, etc.
- 5) An annual inspection should be conducted on our Water, Electric, and all other infrastructure facilities and capabilities to ward off any surprise repairs and to insure we can meet future demands.
- 6) Parking: The adequacy of both on-street and off-street parking in the Village business district should be reviewed now and annually.

WHO: Angelica Comprehensive Plan Development Committee, Village Board.

WHEN: Sidewalks ASAP, other items upon ratification of Angelica Comprehensive Plan.

RESULTS: Angelica will increase its desirability as a place of residence and business. Monitored and upgraded infrastructure facilities will insure a safe and undisturbed daily life, and will avoid unanticipated repairs and costs.

COSTS: Planned Village budget items, grant monies.

LAND USE/SITE PLAN REVIEW GUIDELINES

WHAT:

- 1) Designate approved land use types in the Village, Historic, and surrounding areas of Angelica, N.Y. (See Planning Board Task Sheet).
- 2) Establish a policy and/or moratorium on Wind Farms in Angelica to allow time to study the issue in case Angelica is approached as a potential site.

WHERE: Village, Historic, and surrounding areas of Angelica, N.Y.

WHY:

- 1) If areas are designated as particular use areas, or if areas are designated as NOT useable for specific functions, it will allow for the community groups and residents to improve their homes and/or business properties without the concern that the values of their investment will be diminished by an unforeseen element. (See Planning Board Task Sheet).
- 2) There is currently an aggressive marketing plan for Wind farm establishment in Western New York. The Angelica Comprehensive Plan, Village members and residents need to be educated and decide their acceptance or non- acceptance of the possibility of Wind Farms in Angelica, and write a policy before we are caught off guard.

HOW: Very carefully. Mapping of Village to identify areas of potential development. It might be beneficial for the farm Bureau to come and talk with Angelica to further educate us.

WHO: Angelica Comprehensive Plan Planning Committee Members, Village Board, Historic Committee.

WHEN:

- 1) ASAP. Development of Land Use/site plan review guidelines could begin now – by anyone and everyone involved with the Angelica Comprehensive Plan while committees investigate and refine their Task Items. Once established, the Planning Board would be authorized to review and approve, approve with modifications or disapprove site plans.
- 2) ASAP. This policy should be written as soon as possible.

RESULTS: The entire Village/Surrounding areas can rest easier knowing their investments will not be undermined. (See Planning Board Task Sheet).

COSTS TBD

MARKETING

WHAT: Create 3 or 4 separate marketing plans to attract tourists, businesses, residents, and property owners to our village. Desirable categories include people interested in:

- * Cultural Heritage Tourism
- * Eco-Tourism
- * Small Business Development / Entrepreneurship
- * Home restoration
- * Commercial Redevelopment
- * Agricultural Stewardship
- * Niche or Specialty Farmers (Currants, lavender, ginseng, etc.)

WHERE: NA

WHY:

- 1) To maintain and attract the kinds of activity we want and need to keep the community viable and vibrant.
- 2) To educate the residents and business owners of the importance of utilizing and thereby maintaining both our Post Office and Bank.

HOW: Convene a marketing planning committee that will work strategically to produce the marketing plans that will be used to maintain and attract these distinct categories. Encourage government leaders to help by giving us tools and incentives.

WHO The Development committee (Long live the COMMITTEE!) and others interested in residential and business growth.

WHEN ASAP

RESULTS Measurable increases in economic activity

- * Net gain in number of viable businesses
- * Net gain in owner-occupied housing
- * Increased tourist activity, increased sales of food & lodging
- * Increased use of area for recreational experiences (hunting, camping, snowshoeing, etc.)

COSTS None to prepare the plans. The plans will have to include anticipated costs of implementation, which could be paid for in part through Village, Boosters, County and NYS tourism, IDA, etc.

PLANNING BOARD

- WHAT:** The purpose of establishing a Planning Board is to provide Angelica with a mechanism for reviewing and approving certain activities relating to land use and its site plan.
- WHERE:** The Planning Board could meet in the community center Hall, Village office, or other designated facility with public access.
- WHY:** The creation of a planning board and a study of the types of activities that are likely to have impacts on the health, safety, and welfare of the Village's property owners, and a subsequent site plan review would be preferable to enactment of a zoning law. Site plan review has many advantages over a traditional zoning approach. It is simpler, less restrictive, more flexible and easier to administer. It does not control land use in the same manner that zoning does. The site plan review law would require certain land use activities to be reviewed by the Planning Board.
- The intent would be to preserve and enhance the historic, cultural, rural character, scenic beauty and attractiveness of Angelica for the benefit of all residents and property owners as well as to promote and guide its economic development by controlling incompatible, conflicting or harmful land uses. It would not be the intent to prohibit any land-use activity completely, but rather to allow land uses that will meet the standards of the community.
- HOW:** The Angelica Comprehensive Plan with community input would determine how we envision creating a Planning Board.
- WHO:** The Planning Board would be an autonomous group made up of individuals from various parts of the community, i.e.; village and rural residents, business owners, farmers, etc.
- WHEN:** A Planning Board could be created on the agreement of the Angelica Village Board, and a survey of the property owners. This could happen before or after ratification of the Angelica Comprehensive Plan.
- RESULTS:** A formal Planning Board would address new development/construction with the intent to insure the use of the land is in harmony with, and does not have an adverse effect on Historic Sites, adjacent lands, the character of the Village community, or the Angelica Comprehensive Plan.
- COSTS:** The cost of creating a Planning Board would be the time and energy of those involved and any associated state filing fees and/or member salaries.

WELCOME CENTER

WHAT: A facility with a public restroom and parking on or near Main Street that can be used by both residents and visitors to educate them as to the history, culture, local products, and businesses available to them. This facility will house information and photos of Angelica and Allegany County. The facility will also house a public restroom which is currently needed DESPERATLY!

WHERE:

- 1) The old Village Offices/Barn/Tin Shack on White Street or;
- 2) The Town owned property at the Interstate 86 On/Off ramp.
- 3) The Little Building temporarily.
- 4) The Catholic Church (see separate task sheet)
- 5) The Mabel Morton building on Main Street

WHY: To make residents and visitors feel even more welcome in Angelica and to share in the pride we have in our community. To provide a comprehensive source of information, attractions, and culture of Angelica and Allegany County. To provide a public restroom for both residents and visitors when attending local events and visiting our community – how do we develop a Village where we do not provide the most basic facility used in modern day life? The Welcome Center could also be a depository for record storage for the Village.

HOW:

- 1) Phase 1: The facility would initially house a public restroom and information/brochures. The White St. location would need to be evaluated for rehabilitation. The I-86 location would need to be evaluated for the cost of new construction. The Little Building as a temporary location would need permission by the Boosters, the septic evaluated for public use, and volunteers or a paid part time person would be needed when the facility was open. The Mabel Morton building would require a rental fee for a portion of the building that would house the Welcome Center.
- 2) Phase 2: The inclusion of an ATM, vending machines, expanded information/brochures, kiosks, historic interpretive site, and local products.

WHO:

- 1) Phase 1 would not require on site staffing. Local organizations/community members could volunteer to insure information/brochures are kept supplied, and a part-time person could be employed to maintain the restroom.
- 2) Phase 2 could retain community volunteers or employ a part-time on site employee for scheduled hours to further enhance the education and information provided to our residents and visitors.

WHEN: The Development Committee recommends that a Welcome Center should be a HIGH PRIORITY project and should be up and running in 2007.

RESULTS: Residents will feel more welcome and have more pride in their own community. Generally increased public relations and tourism, and tourists might stay longer if they don't have to leave to find a restroom!

COSTS: Fund raising events, grants, matching funds, Capital Campaign, leftover money from 'Clock', community and county monies.

NAME A TOWN HISTORIAN

WHAT: The Town Board should develop basic job descriptions and the Town Supervisor should name a part-time historian.

WHERE: This person should have regular office hours at the Town Hall, but can also work from his/her home for the remainder of the established hours per week/month.

WHY: To enhance community life; to preserve and interpret the history of “A Town Where History Lives”; to comply with state regulations that all towns have an historian: <http://www.nysm.nysed.gov/services/winslowdoc.html>

HOW: Search the Internet for job descriptions of other historians. Here are two examples:

<http://www.stillwaterny.org/Town/TownOffices/townhistorian.htm>

<http://www.townofbrighton.org/departments.htm>

Then post it in public places, along with the benefits of holding the office, and ask for volunteers. If none come forth, poll interested parties to create a wish list of persons that might be asked.

WHO: This is the responsibility of the Town, but others in the community may be as, if not more, interested, in seeing it come to pass.

RESULTS: Re-establishing the office of Town Historian; setting some achievable first-year goals for preservation and interpretive projects.

COSTS: None, necessarily, although that may be part of the problem in finding a suitable person to hold this office. Perhaps a monthly stipend, in addition to the donation of office and records storage space, plus the use of a computer, telephone, copier, and reimbursement for travel, postage, etc.

ADDRESS CLUTTER AND VISUAL POLLUTION IN HISTORIC DISTRICT

- WHAT:** Tidy up the historic district to enhance and increase its scenic beauty.
- WHERE:** Park Circle Historic District
- WHY:** Studies have shown that scenic areas and beautiful communities are the places where people most want to live, work, and visit. Getting rid of extraneous clutter will make this area more attractive and support efforts to attract tourists, residents, and new business.
- HOW:** Take a critical look at existing signage, benches, trash receptacles, ornamentation, trees, shrubs, weeds and flowers, sidewalks, store windows, mailboxes, newspaper tubes, second story windows, lighting, etc. Create a proposal (with appropriate incentives) that will encourage the municipality and property owners to address extraneous clutter, giving the Historic District a more pleasing, more cared-for look. Take this proposal to the village, if required, to determine if a local law should be enacted (for example: dish antennas would not be allowed on the front of buildings)
- WHO:** Anyone interested in making the Historic District more attractive.
- WHEN:** As soon as possible
- RESULTS:** Removal of debris, weeds, unnecessary signage, trash and other clutter, along with a plan to reassess the state of the district every quarter or six months.
- COSTS:** None.

CONDUCT A CULTURAL ASSETS INVENTORY

- WHAT:** Identify and inventory the structures, people, and places of historic significance to Angelica, including private and public collections, historians, the research of others on the history of Angelica, artifacts, the Roque Court, etc.
- WHERE:** N/A
- WHY:** So that the community can identify those assets that are in need of protection or support, and then take action (in priority order) to preserve or stabilize them; to better share, communicate and value these assets within the community, and to other people interested in our history and culture; and to serve as a basis for marketing the area as a cultural heritage tourism destination.
- HOW:** A brainstorming session to generate the initial list, which can be circulated to solicit additional items that should be added. Then, for each item, what needs to be done to preserve the asset?
- WHO:** Anyone interested in helping to strategically address issues of preservation and interpretation of significant sites and objects.
- WHEN:** Anytime
- RESULTS:** This process could be the genesis of a movement to stabilize, protect, preserve, and market the individual and collective cultural assets that belong to our community.
- COSTS:** None.

EMPHASIZE THE BENEFITS OF THE HISTORIC DISTRICT

WHAT: Help residents and visitors understand and appreciate the benefits of having a Historic District in the community.

The National Register of Historic Places is the Nation's official list of cultural resources worthy of preservation. Authorized under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, the National Register is part of a national program to coordinate and support public and private efforts to identify, evaluate, and protect our historic and archeological resources. Properties listed in the Register include districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects that are significant in American history, architecture, archeology, engineering, and culture. The National Register is administered by the National Park Service, which is part of the U.S. Department of the Interior.

WHERE: N/A

WHY: To help support future efforts at promoting and potentially expanding the district; to enhance community pride; to capitalize on the curiosity and interest of outsiders in our historic places

HOW: A column in the Booster News that, over a period of a year or so, helps explain the value and benefits of the district (and individual properties within it) to the community (economic, cultural, preservation). The community, in turn, can express this information to visitors and guests, as well as by passive interpretive information available to tourists.

WHO: This could be done by an individual, an historian, an organization, the Booster Citizens, a new historical or preservation society

RESULTS: To support protection, preservation, and restoration of our historic properties. To educate the community about eligibility for public and private support of future preservation efforts.

COSTS: TBD

LEARN WHAT PROTECTION EXISTS FOR HISTORIC DISTRICT PROPERTIES

- WHAT:** Investigate federal, state, local protections in place for properties within the Park Circle Historic District.
- WHERE:** NA
- WHY:** Educate property owners, other village residents, and general public about some of the benefits of listing in the state and national Registers of Historic Places.
- HOW:** Research National Register & SHPO websites for determination of statutory protections. Investigate local (village) laws pertaining to the Historic District.
- WHO:** Local government - Village board; Booster Citizens; local preservation organization.
- WHEN:** Any time.
- RESULTS:** Greater public awareness of existing benefits and protections. Impetus for development of local preservation guidelines/regulations.
- COSTS:** TBD. Legal fees if village attorney is involved.

ESTABLISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY / PRESERVATION ORGANIZATION / MUSEUM

WHAT: Establish a new non-profit organization, or join forces with Booster Citizens to enhance activities in the areas of:

Historical Society: dedicated to collecting, preserving, displaying and interpreting the history of the community

Preservation Organization: devoted to supporting and encouraging activities related to the preservation of historically and culturally significant structures and sites

Museum: A place to house and display artifacts and records relating to Angelica's history

WHERE: The Society or Museum might need a physical location -- perhaps in the Town Hall or community center. A Preservation organization can presumably operate without a dedicated location.

WHY: To enhance community life; to preserve and interpret the history of "A Town Where History Lives"; to give residents and visitors a cultural heritage experience; to keep the past alive; to connect people with their ancestors and the old ways; to actively seek to preserve Angelica's older buildings and sites.

HOW: Check with Booster Citizens (a 501(c)4 n-f-p) to see if a new set of goals related to these activities is congruent with their own. Perhaps starting a new organization is not required, if by-laws could be amended to add new "mission" components. (Corporate and individual donations to a 501(c)4 are not tax deductible, so obtaining grants would be a challenge). If a new organization is required, a small board can get the process up and running by establishing a mission and by-laws, and incorporating as a 501(c)3.

WHO: This is the responsibility of the community members themselves.

RESULTS: Greater emphasis and accessibility on the people, places, and stories of Angelica's past.

COSTS: TBD

MARKET ANGELICA AS A CULTURAL HERITAGE TOURISM DESTINATION

WHAT: Create a marketing plan that can be carried out over a period of years to attract increasing numbers of tourists to Angelica based upon its heritage and cultural assets.

WHERE: NA

WHY: The National Trust for Historic Preservation defines cultural heritage tourism as “traveling to experience the places, artifacts, and activities that authentically represent the stories and people of the past and present. It includes cultural, historic, and natural resources.” Cultural tourism is a genre of special interest tourism based on the search for and participation in new and deep cultural experiences, whether aesthetic, intellectual, emotional, or physical. An effective cultural heritage tourism program, then, positively exploits a community’s sense of place to make its history come alive, enabling visitors and residents to experience life as it used to be.

National research suggests that tourists who include heritage sites in their travel stay an average of a half-day longer and spend an average of \$62 more than other travelers. Cultural heritage tourism seeks to develop those historic and cultural sites that have the greatest potential to increase economic impact. Economic benefits to a community may include an expanded tax base; increased tax revenues; increased production and sale of goods and services; better property values; and new jobs, which all lead to improved quality of life.

HOW: Convene a Heritage Tourism committee, chartered either by the government or the Booster Citizens. Provide the committee with (or charge them with creating the) Cultural Assets Inventory (see related Task Sheet.) Using this as a resource, create a proposed Marketing Plan for a three-year period.

Encourage the Village, and Booster Citizens to establish line item in their respective budgets to partially support the initiatives outlined in the 3- year plan.

WHO: A consortium of interested parties from the business community and those interested in history and historic preservation.

RESULTS: Measurable increases in economic activity, increased tourist activity, increased sales of food & lodging, increased hits to the Angelica web sites, etc.

COSTS: None to prepare the plans. The plans will have to include anticipated costs of implementation, which could be paid for in part through Village, Booster Citizens, County and NYS tourism, IDA, grants, etc.

TAX INCENTIVES FOR RESTORATION/BEAUTIFICATION OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

- WHAT:** To provide property tax incentives for restoration and/or beautification projects designed to maintain the integrity, intent, and spirit of the Historic District.
- WHERE:** Historic District
- WHY:** To encourage residents and property owners to restore, repair, and maintain buildings and properties within the Historic District.
- HOW:** A process of application to, and approval by, a management board comprised of the Town Historian and several property owners/residents of the Historic District. The tax incentive itself could be structured to decrease by an established percentage over a defined time period.
- WHO:** Any/all property owners/residents within the Historic District.
- RESULTS:** To support protection, preservation, and restoration of our historic properties. To educate the community about eligibility for public and private support of future preservation efforts.
- COSTS:** None, but would have a potential negative impact on T/V tax bases.

ENHANCE PASSIVE INTERPRETATION WITH SIGNAGE AND MARKERS

- WHAT:** To replace or improve existing signs and markers, or to create new ones that serve as passive interpretive materials in the Village.
- WHERE:** (a) anywhere interpretive materials currently exist
(b) at the entrances to the Park Circle National Historic District
(c) at sites of significance along roadways and sidewalks
(d) in the park, cemetery, or other public places
(e) on the front, or lobby walls, of public buildings
- WHY:** To enhance community life; to preserve and interpret the history of “A Town Where History Lives”; to give residents and visitors a cultural heritage experience that they can enjoy without a guide or guidebook; to keep the past alive; to celebrate.
- HOW:** Determine the locations of all existing signs and markers; inventory them. Make an improvement plan, seek appropriate permissions and public support, find money.
- WHO:** This could be done by Booster Citizens or a new Historical Society.
- RESULTS:** Increased accessibility to key facts about the people, places, and stories of Angelica’s past.
- COSTS:** TBD