

WARRENSBURG COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

PUBLIC WORKSHOP

OCTOBER 27, 2022



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REGROWTH
PLANNING



AGENDA

1. What is a Comprehensive Plan?
2. Progress to Date
3. Preliminary Observations
4. Next Steps
5. Breakout Sessions

WHAT IS A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN?

A Comprehensive Plan is a **guidance document that sets goals, policies, and priorities** for investing in the physical, economic, and environmental future of the Town.

A Comprehensive Plan also helps **improve the success of grant applications** and provides a **basis for updating zoning** regulations.

A Comprehensive Plan includes an **inventory of existing conditions**, identifies **opportunities & challenges**, & articulates residents' **desire for the future** of the community.

The Town's **last Comprehensive Plan** was adopted in **2012**.

THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PROCESS

PROJECT KICK-OFF

Committee
appointed by
Town Board

LaBella
selected
through RFP
process

Identifying key
issues

INVENTORY & ANALYSIS

Draft Community
Profile
(baseline
analysis)

ISSUES, OPPORTUNITIES, & VISION

What are the
key issues &
opportunities
the Town is
facing?

What is the
vision for the
Town's future?

GOALS & STRATEGIES

Stakeholder
Outreach/ Focus
Groups
to further analyze
issues &
opportunities

Develop goals,
recommendations,
& implementation
strategy

PLAN DRAFTING

Public event to
review draft
plan

Town Board
public hearing
on draft plan

Plan adoption

PROGRESS TO DATE

Committee Kick-Off Meeting (June 2022)

Webpage & Public Announcement (July 2022)

Draft Community Profile (August 2022)

Committee Meeting #2 (September 2022)

Visioning Survey Launch (September 2022)

Comprehensive Plan Public Workshop

**Help plan the future of Warrensburg on
Thursday, October 27 from 5-7 PM at the
Town Fire House**

The Town of Warrensburg is in the process of updating its comprehensive plan and is looking for input from its residents.

A Comprehensive Plan is a policy document that identifies community priorities and helps the Town chart a course for the future. Comprehensive plans involve community members coming together to articulate a clear expression of the **community's highest aspirations**.

On **Thursday, October 27th**, representatives from LaBella Associates and members of the Town's Comprehensive Plan Committee will conduct a public engagement workshop to identify needs and opportunities and to develop a common vision for Warrensburg's future.

All are welcome to attend and participate in what will be a dynamic and interactive session.

Food from Oscar's will be served!

*How do you envision
Warrensburg's
future?*



**A 2 Hour
Discussion**

*Can't attend in person?
Scan the QR code below
to share your vision :*



Your input is important!



PRELIMINARY OBSERVATIONS

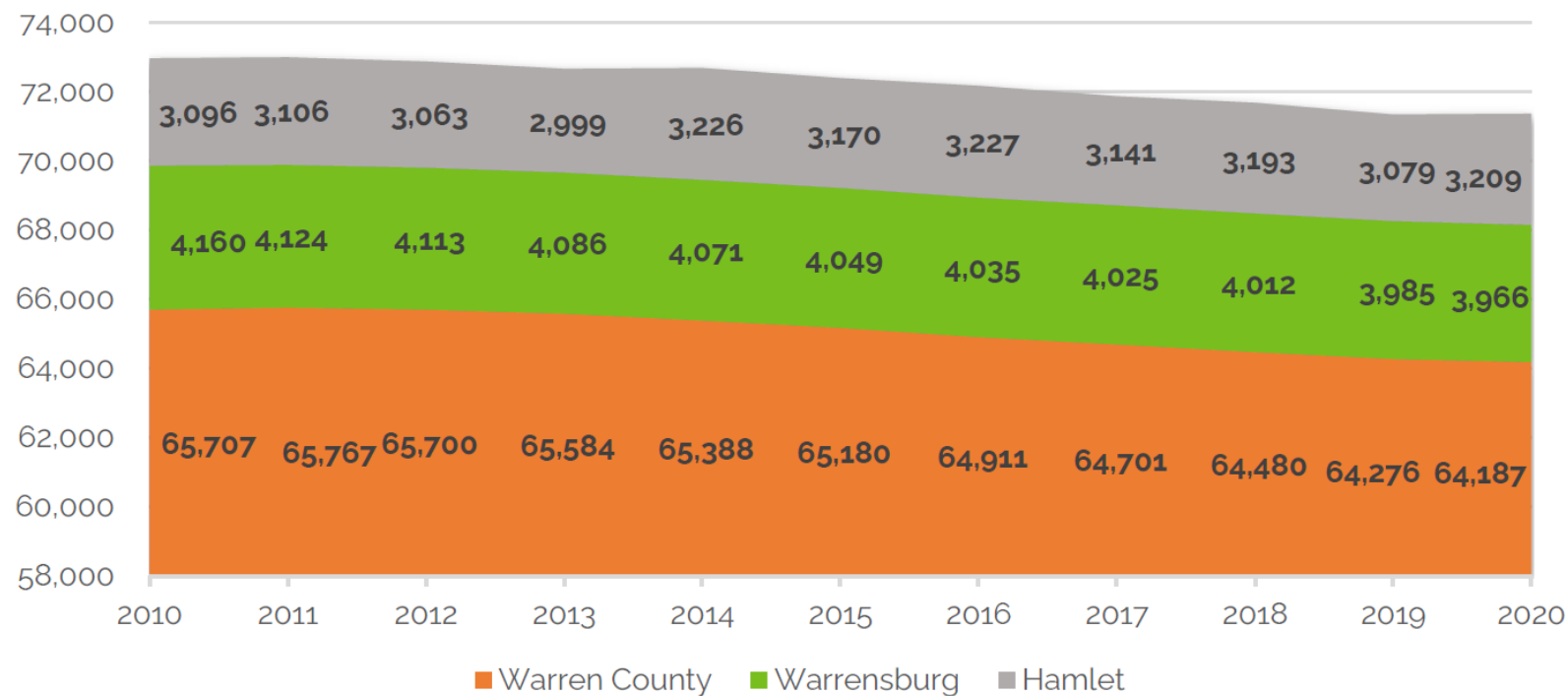
DEMOGRAPHICS

Town population declining overall, but increasing in the hamlet

Increasingly younger population

Low unemployment, but high underemployment & low wages

POPULATION CHANGE: 2010-2020





PRELIMINARY OBSERVATIONS

HOUSING

Low vacancy rate

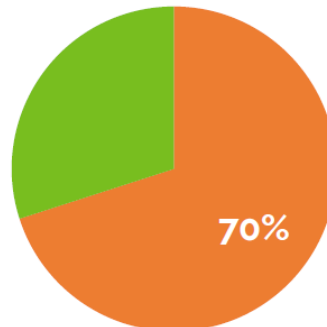
Significant increase in home
values

High % of renters are “rent
burdened”

Increasing number of short-
term rentals

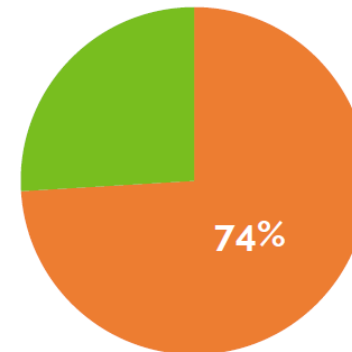
**WARREN
COUNTY**

Occupied Vacant



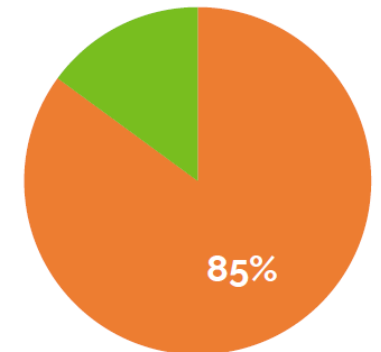
**TOWN OF
WARRENSBURG**

Occupied Vacant



**HAMLET OF
WARRENSBURG**

Occupied Vacant





PRELIMINARY OBSERVATIONS

TOURISM & RECREATION

Extensive recreation opportunities

Recreation options accessible from hamlet

"Gateway to the Adirondacks"





PRELIMINARY OBSERVATIONS

MAIN ST. & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

High impact of Main Street (high traffic)

Active Economic Development Committee

High costs to renovate historic structures

New commercial development

Presence of multiple commercial “institutions”





PRELIMINARY OBSERVATIONS

QUALITY OF LIFE

Year-round community events for residents & tourists alike

High quality school with decreased enrollment



**Synthesize information from
public workshop**

**Develop vision statement & plan
goals**

**Conduct focus group
sessions/stakeholder outreach**

**Develop plan recommendations &
strategies for implementation**

Public workshop(s) to review draft

N E X T S T E P S



Three different tables:

- Recreation & Tourism
- Downtown & Economic Development
- Housing

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Representatives from LaBella Associates & the Comprehensive Plan Committee will be available to facilitate **conversation & answer questions** about the project.

Please check out the poster boards throughout the room & **provide feedback on the preliminary observations.**



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