



MAYOR TOM PEEPLES

Pressing issues and town goals chart our island's course.

Our Town's FUTURE

From December 8th thru the 10th, Council Members Bill Ferguson, Mayor Pro Tem Ken Heitzke, Drew Laughlin, Bill Mottel, John Safay, George Williams and myself, drafted a blueprint for the town's future by establishing our one and five year strategic goals. Town Manager Steve Riley, and his deputy and assistant town managers along with town department heads participated in the role of staff to support the various discussions that enabled your town council to develop a strategic plan meeting the expectations of island residents. The workshop was facilitated by Lyle Sumek who is nationally recognized in helping municipal governments plan their future. The workshop was open to the public and attended by local media. Additionally, thanks to several residents responding to town requests for suggestions on our future, council considered about a dozen island resident ideas during the course of the workshop.

We revisited our vision statement; reviewed the past year's accomplishments; identified critical strategies; reviewed our mission and service businesses; and finally developed a list of council priorities and worked with the town manager to develop his management agenda for the year ahead.

Here is a breakdown of what council accomplished for the good of our residents. As always, your council is mindful that your expectations of town government are high. As elected officials, we remain available to you to discuss any of the priorities that we have developed. Please take look at our blueprint for the future and let us know what you think.

TOWN OF HILTON HEAD ISLAND 2011: OUR GOALS

- Sustainable town – Preserving Our Character
- World-Class Amenities for Residents and Guests
- Top Quality Services, Financially Sound Town
- Effective Regional Transportation System
- Clean, Safe, Accessible Waterways
- Strengthen Community Spirit and Pride

POLICY AGENDA 2006 TARGETS FOR ACTION

TOP PRIORITY

- Dunnagan's Alley-Arrow Area Revitalization
- Mathews Drive Corridor Road and Pathway Improvements
- Coastal Discovery Museum Development
- L.M.O. Revisions for Redevelopment

- Sewer Plan Policy on Assistance & Projects
- Stoney-Island Entrance Area Improvements
- Coligny Beach Area Redevelopment

HIGH PRIORITY

- Visitors' Center Relocation Direction
- Cultural Arts Umbrella Organization
- Bond Referenda/Sales Tax Referenda Participation
- Fire Station Location, Direction and Funding
- Stormwater-Utility Management Plan for Beaufort County/ Cost Allocation

MODERATE PRIORITY

- Aesthetic Quality of Town Projects Policy Direction
- Police Safety Strategy for "Smash and Grab" incidents and Community Safety
- Annexation Policy and Actions (Bridge Control)
- Groin Maintenance Policy and Funding
- Community Events; Active Town Support & Funding

MANAGEMENT AGENDA 2006

TOP PRIORITY

- Disaster and Recovery Plan
- Office Park Corridor Area Road Improvements
- Beach Renourishment
- State Lobbying on Tax Reform & Other Critical Issues
- Town Hall Space Needs Assessment and Plan
- Dirt Roads/Acquire Two Per Year

HIGH PRIORITY

- Management Succession Plan & Actions
- Compensation Study
- William Hilton Parkway Project Funding
- US 278 Mainland Alternate Feasibility Study
- Completion of Southern Beaufort County Comprehensive Plan
- Town Participation in Sea Pines' 50th Anniversary
- Latino Communications Strategies

I want to take this opportunity to thank island residents for their support this past year. I also want to thank all council members for their hard work and outstanding contribution to the town's quality of life.

All of us on council understand there is more to the island than government. We want you to know that we appreciate the spirit, support, and good will you provide to your fellow residents. **M**