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VPA 2024 WORK PLAN

The Vermont Planners Association proposes to continue its work in the four key areas of its ten-year strategic plan, adopted May 29, 2015, as follows:

POLICY AND ADVOCACY

- Re-affirm and/or revise legislative priorities for the second year of the biennium in order to focus the efforts of the Legislative Liaison, Legislative Committee, and/or Executive Committee;
- Priority areas for 2024 include: climate action, housing, funding for planning, updating statewide planning goals, Act 250 permit reform;
- Follow various State studies, including: VMT reduction, VTtrans road design standards, DHCD designation program, Natural Resource Board Act 250 reform, VAPDA planning coordination and Act 250 municipal delegation.
- Work with related organizations to explore how to best educate the Legislature on planning and coordinate advocacy on legislative issues of mutual interest;
- Recognize and celebrate good planning outcomes through annual awards.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Support NNECAPA Conference Committee for 2024 in Vermont.
- Develop and promote professional planning education programs and opportunities within Vermont;
- Provide continuing education opportunities for skills building and awareness of current topics, specifically for a spring workshop;
- Facilitate networking at both state and regional levels;
- Provide opportunities for attaining and maintaining professional certifications through sponsorships and CM support through NNECAPA.

COLLABORATION AND COORDINATION

- Participate in annual Spring Retreat with NNECAPA;
- Continue to work with NHPA and/or the NNECAPA Awards Committee to review award nominations;

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE AND CAPACITY BUILDING

- Collaborate with NNECAPA to build up and increase diversity and inclusion of membership on EC and standing committees, and foster leadership and involvement;
- Improve engagement of members;
- Practice financial and organizational transparency and responsibility, keeping the wider membership informed;
- Begin update of the 2015 strategic plan.



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The Vermont Planners Association (VPA) is a non-profit advocacy and educational organization of planners and related professionals. We are dedicated to advancing community planning in Vermont at the local, regional, and state levels, to foster vibrant communities and a healthy environment.