



Town of Acton Board of Selectmen Goals

Established July 13, 2020

SHORT TERM GOALS

1. Establish an Equity (Inclusivity) and Diversity Advisory Commission chaired by a member of the Board to focus on under-represented ethnic, religious, and racial groups, especially Black Americans and listen to community members about experiences (both positive and negative) and recommend actions to the Board of Selectmen.
2. Support the Department of Public Works Facility building feasibility study and identify a preferred option for next steps which may include a new building, renovation, and/or expansion.
3. Determine a preferred use for Morrison Farmhouse.
4. Increase availability of electric charging station in public spaces and pursue a local bylaw or code change to require electric charging outlets (240 V) in new residential garages.
5. Conduct a study on the role of the Police Department as it relates to social service support and consider ways to re-imagine services provided. Direct the Town Manager to provide complete funding of the Police Department and work with the Chief of Police on a public outreach program.
6. Develop specific measurable goals in relation to the sustainability policy
7. Collaborate with the Acton Water District seek financial support to leverage the funding appropriated at Annual Town Meeting for a water study
8. Plan and prepare for a study to test housing discrimination and identifying impediments to fair housing choice
9. Create a strong town-wide climate action plan, with wide outreach to businesses, residents, schools and civic organizations
10. Study and determine future of the West Acton Citizens Library
11. Secure a site for a town dog park

LONG TERM GOALS

1. Improve intersections along Main Street at Acton Center, Hayward Road, and Central Street.
2. Review the status of the WR Grace property for zoning and potential reuse.
3. Rehabilitate existing buildings for low-income housing.
4. Establish a complete streets plan.
5. Develop a memorial for Carroll Spinney.
6. Make significant reductions in town-wide greenhouse gas emissions.
7. Finalize the Piper Lane acquisition and use.
8. Establish a South Acton revitalization committee.