

A PROPOSED “TENINO CITY COUNCIL SHARED VISION”

WHO ARE WE AS A COMMUNITY?

Tenino is a friendly, authentic small town that is quickly evolving as a growing, healthy, sustainable, rural community.

We recognize that Tenino is best known for the quarry pool and our sandstone heritage and products.

We value Tenino’s

- Authentic small-town atmosphere
- Affordable housing options
- Emphasis on family and a family friendly environment

WHAT IS OUR SHARED VISION FOR THE FUTURE?

We envision a future with:

- More living wage jobs in our community
- Enhanced transportation and pedestrian investments
- More local consumers that are buying from more local businesses

Our biggest challenges to our shared vision are:

- Balancing expenditures (needs) and revenue (ability)
- An aging infrastructure
- Community resistance to change

We envision a local economy that is based on:

- Agricultural resources
- Clean/green energy
- Small scale industry and service and retail

HOW WILL WE ACT?

We are mindful that actions today shall not have negative impacts on

- Our small-town atmosphere
- Affordable housing and choices
- The ability to sustain our infrastructure requirements

PROPOSED “TENINO CITY COUNCIL NEXT STEPS”

HOW WILL WE ACHIEVE OUR SHARED VISION?

We recognize the need to immediately address:

- Water issues – usage and quality goals
- City Infrastructure –planning and replacement for aging items
- The Police Department – sustainable operations and employee opportunities

To achieve our vision for the future, we will work to increase investments in:

- The Police Department
- Our roads and sidewalks
- The water and sewer system
- The park in accordance with the master plan
- The Agricultural Innovation Park

We recognize the need to immediately plan for an Agricultural Innovation Park that does not include:

- Big box retailers
- Polluting industries or the use of toxic materials
- High noise levels or noxious odors
- Large scope and scale transportation impacts
- Low wage jobs or automated facilities

We will create an Agricultural Innovation Park that enables and includes:

- Educational opportunities and partnership with colleges
- Versatile, flexible, reconfigurable tenant space
- Test/lab facilities and gardens
- Food study/research center
- Agricultural processing facilities
- Businesses that provide living wage jobs
- Curbside appeal that contributes to local tourism activities
- Support local agriculture producers
- Stabilize agricultural land values in the face of development