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Comment: As the appointed project leader for the Sustainable CT certification, I would like to submit for consideration that the POCD reflect the Sustainable CT recommended language in 3 categories thereby gaining the town points towards the Bronze level Certification. These categories are in line with the overall values of the town as reflected in more general terms by the POCD.

Topic: Energy

- 3 A 1 - Reduce dependence on fossil fuels by designing and developing solar-oriented housing and buildings
 - Streamline the solar permitting process (e.g. reduce the number of pages necessary for the solar permitting process)
 - Always consider the position of the sun when designing and developing buildings to maximize solar panel potential.
 - Always consider the position of the sun when designing and developing buildings to maximize passive solar potential.
- 10 A 2 - Reduce dependence on fossil fuels by encouraging the development and local siting or renewable energy generation.
 - Create an inventory of all of the potential spaces best for solar generation in Wilton, and develop a criteria to rank their potential for development.
 - Hire companies that locally (or nationally) source solar panels and solar panel supplies.
 - Determine existing buildings and spaces which could serve as mixed-use solar farms. (I.e. a parking lot with a solar canopy)
- 5 C 10 - Reduce negative impacts on nature by encouraging landscape and park maintenance that reduces the use of mowers, edgers, and leaf blowers
 - Designate portions of municipal greenspace to be untouched by park maintenance and to allow natural wildlife development to occur.
 - Increase the amount of time between cutting/mowing.
 - Only cut/mow when necessary.

Topic: Pedestrian/Bike Friendly Communities and Infrastructure

- 1 A 3 - Human scaled development that is pedestrian friendly
 - Implement sidewalks with effective, parallel crosswalks connecting people to places.
 - Implement more visible street signs, public transportation signs, etc.
 - Provide ample street lighting along sidewalks.
- 2 A 2 - Increase access to, and use of, alternatives to the drive-alone automobile, including walking, bicycling, public transportation, and in the case of communities without adequate population densities to support conventional public transit, strategic implementation steps toward generally broadening mobility options for municipal residents
 - Implement more bike racks, bike lanes, and other biking infrastructure throughout Wilton.
 - Link town-wide bicycling routes to each other and others in the region.
 - Provide bicycling education workshops.
- 2 A 5 - Design local streets that encourage pedestrian and bicycle use and discourage high-

speed traffic

- Restrict speed limits, in Wilton downtown/Town Center to reduce dependence on fossil fuels and encourage pedestrian and bicycle use.
- Ensure there are linked transportation routes to Wilton train station.
- Ensure there is biking infrastructure (bike lanes and bike racks) at the station
- 11 A 1 - Facilities that employ renewable energy sources, or reduce fossil fuel use for operations and transport needs
- Implement a private, by-request bus service.
- Increase the number of publicly available electric vehicle charging stations.
- Ensure that at least one EV charging station is available on every municipal property.

Topic: Transportation

- I A 5 - Reduce dependence on fossil fuels by promoting home-based occupations and work that reduce the need to commute
- Increase bandwidth access and high-speed internet to make it easier to connect at home.
- Encourage businesses in the town to allow their staff to telecommute.
- Designate places in town such as the public library and local cafes as Wilton Telecommuting Spaces in which people have access to reliable internet.
- 11 A 1 - Reduce dependence on fossil fuels by encouraging and enabling residents to use transport other than diesel- and gasoline-powered vehicles
- Increase miles of bike lanes in Wilton so more people can safely cycle to and from work/school.
- Increase the number of electric vehicle stations in Wilton.
- Increase sidewalks and street lights in Wilton to enable more pedestrian activity.