

Public Workshop #2

Re-scheduled to:

Wednesday, October 19th, 2016
6:30 pm to 8:30 pm - City Hall

Planning efforts are continuing for **Colville Vision 20/20**. Community members who attend will contribute ideas to develop a vision for Colville and the specific strategies that will achieve it. Join us at city hall for this facilitated workshop! It will build on the results of the September 13 event and will include:

- A draft VISION
- Confirmation of defining principles
- Examples of potential strategy

Other Upcoming Opportunities to be involved:

Telephone Survey - November - A community telephone survey will focus on priorities, values, quality of life, and vision for the future.

Community Workshop - January - This workshop will present results from the community survey and will discuss the fiscal implications of pursuing various strategic actions



What Happened September 13?

Check www.colville.wa.us for details!

Workshop participants reviewed what's on the books, telling us what policies and goals are still important today...and how relevant they'll be to our work on the strategic plan. Here's some of what we heard:

- Maintaining a healthy business environment continues to enjoy public support, with Colville offering a strong economic base and an atmosphere that attracts and nurtures growing businesses.
- Great access to the outdoors and an effective parks and recreation program are also important, underscoring the community's appreciation for its natural assets and time spent outside.
- Sustaining a quality of life, expressed as appreciation for family health and the maintaining of infrastructure, is also important.



Vision "snippet"	Total
Businesses are staying in Colville	175
Great access to outdoors and environment	166
Maintains a strong economic base	165
Parks and recreation services for all	163
Supports and retains growing families	162
Infrastructure is maintained	161
Businesses are coming to Colville	159
Diversify and expand local economy	157
High quality of life	151
Partnership of citizens, businesses, and government	150
Opportunities for recreational and cultural activities	148
Available affordable housing	147
Stable economy	144
Variety of housing types	143
Improved pedestrian environment	141
Maintain small town environment	136
Safeguard historic resources and character	134
Conserves land, water, and energy resources	133
Regional destination for shopping	131
Local values represented in development	131
Development supported	127
Historical properties are maintained and improved	127
Blend of desired economic activities and land uses	126
Alternative transportation modes	121
Economic center of the region	121
Cost-effective growth patterns	114
Cultural center of the community	114
Easy connections to Main Street	112
Convenient and accessible	112
Family and heritage emphasized	109
Generous amount of open space	108
Minimize traffic congestion	105
Social center of the community	103
East-west expansion of downtown	99
Civic center of the community	96
Good circulation	91

Participants then considered how Colville is now addressing some of the community's important issues. They looked at conditions today, what they hope conditions will be in the year 2036, and the level of effort the community should dedicate to achieve that desired future condition. The results will inform what Colville will tackle first and how we should direct what we do. Some of the highlights include:

- Participants want downtown to be vital and prosperous, a source of community activity and identity. They noted that this is one area where much work needs to be done, with the envisioned future much different than conditions today.
- Participants also look to take advantage of tourism opportunities, believing that much of what Colville has to offer is yet undiscovered.
- Safety is important, winning the highest level of investment to ensure residents and businesses are comfortable and that the community's health and wellness are served.

