



CHESAPEAKE CITY COUNCIL VISION OF A FINANCIALLY HEALTHY COMMUNITY
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<p>Sound Financial Management - A community that can meet its obligations and have a rainy day fund</p>
<p>Equitable Tax System/Quality of Life - A community where citizens feel that taxes are affordable and fair for the quality of life that is afforded to them (i.e. recreation, drainage, water/sewer)</p>
<p>Balanced Growth - We are able to balance growth (revenue from residential and business development) while providing appropriate infrastructure so there is a good quality of life and citizens understand the need for the balance; there is revitalization of established neighborhoods and preservation and creation of open space</p>
<p>Economic Development - We have economic development and high quality job creation, especially with a focus on a variety of professional and high-tech jobs, companies, and support services</p>
<p>Safe Community - Our citizens feel safe with no threats on lives or households</p>
<p>Balanced, Diverse Housing - We have housing for all levels of people in all kinds of jobs; we have the right housing balance and make sure houses aren't too expensive</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We have housing for young starter families• We have housing for City's basic services workers (i.e. firefighters, teachers, police officers)
<p>Transportation - We can insure reasonable access to jobs, schools, and amenities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• We make sure that roads are not so clogged that barges cannot unload and transport goods• We insure that traffic/clogged roads do not affect the quality of life
<p>Quality Education for All - We have education from cradle to grave and recognize that a successful school system is critical as employers want to be able to find well-trained workers</p>
<p>High Tech Community - We are a community that has a technology infrastructure that facilitates access to information, communication, and the conduct of business, thus creating enlightenment and access to the world</p>



CITY OF CHESAPEAKE TWO-YEAR GOALS January 20, 2007

- Design and develop a funding strategy for the replacement of the Dominion Blvd Bridge
- Identify and appropriate additional funding to build a new Gilmerton Bridge
- Fund the storm-water department so that key drainage problems can be addressed
- Procure grants and take other creative measures to assist residents with water/sewer connections in the un-served areas of the City
- Seek to purchase property to expand Tidewater Community College
- Implement an equitable and stable employee compensation plan (pay and benefits)
- Improve police coverage by filling existing positions through improved methods; add more police coverage and provide coverage based on areas of need
- Identify and increase a reliable funding stream for open space preservation
- Cooperate and invest in public/private partnerships to get needed roads built
- Locate funds to revitalize older areas such as Belharbor Station and South Norfolk
- Establish a specific revenue sharing policy with Chesapeake public schools
- Expand the money for mental retardation services, especially adults
- Study the need for a lodging facility near the Dismal Swamp Trail
- Expand the jail facility in Chesapeake to provide more jail space