

## **CHAPTER NINE**

### **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGIES**

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#### **9.1 INTRODUCTION**

Chapter Nine presents a series of community development objectives and strategies that were derived from the conclusions and recommendations described in Chapters Four through Eight, as well as the insights of the Alpine Town Council, the Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission, and municipal staff. Each strategy is presented in the context of roughly 25 community development objectives. Each community development strategy represents a specific scope of work to be accomplished, an assignment of responsibility for project implementation, a project schedule, and, when appropriate, a project budget.

The project schedule assigned to each strategy identifies a year or multi-year period when a given strategy is to be completed. These schedules were based upon the priorities established by the Alpine Town Council, the Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission, and municipal staff in May 2006. Pedersen Planning Consultants established a matrix evaluation process that enabled each participant to individually assign priorities for each recommended community development strategy.

Individual scores were totaled and averaged to calculate a cumulative average score for each objective. Higher cumulative average scores for each community development objective reflected a higher priority; lower average scores indicated a lower project priority. The community development priorities derived from the matrix evaluation process are summarized in Table 9-1. These priorities were applied to project schedules identified for each community development strategy.

A few of the community development objectives presented in Chapter Nine were not prioritized in May 2006. These objectives were derived from supplemental research that was requested by the Town of Alpine following the municipal review of the March 1, 2006 draft report.

A brief implementation plan is presented in the final section of Chapter Ten. This section of the plan is intended to facilitate the completion of recommended community development strategies, the application of the recommended community land use plan, and the incorporation of plan recommendations into future municipal budgets.



## 9.2 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGIES

**Objective 1: Expand Wastewater Collection System to Serve All Unsewered Areas of Alpine and Recommended Annexation Areas.**

**Priority 1**

### *Strategy*

**Scope:** Make application, obtain and match available Mineral Royalty Grant funds to pay for 75 percent of the construction cost including design, permitting, land purchase, easement acquisition and construction engineering. Design and construct a wastewater collection system to serve all unsewered areas of Alpine, as well as a related pump station and force main. Design and construct a sewer main across or under the U.S. Highway 89 bridge, which would connect to the proposed pump station and force main, to serve potential annexation areas north of Alpine.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Town Council, Town Engineer, Town Attorney, Water/Wastewater Superintendent

**Project Schedule:** FY 2007-2008

**Project Budget:** Collection system expansion within municipal boundary, as well as pump station and force main: \$4,045,639. Sewer main across U.S. Highway 89 bridge: Budget To Be Determined

**Objective 2: Adopt the Municipal Master Plan**

**Priority 2 (2-way tie)**

### *Strategy*

**Scope:** Following the holding of, at least, one public hearing, the Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission will make any needed revisions to the municipal master plan document and recommend the municipal master plan for adoption by the Alpine Town Council. Following its review and evaluation, the Alpine Town Council will formally adopt the municipal master plan document and the related community land use plan contained within the master plan report by ordinance.

The adopted master plan will serve as a general vision that the Town of Alpine will use to evaluate and encourage a combination of future private and public investments. The master plan will also provide guidance to private investors and other public agencies concerning the community's preference for the future type and location of land uses in the community, as well as planned expansions to municipal infrastructure.

The municipal master plan contains, in part, recommendations concerning proposed infrastructure improvements and the development of other community amenities that may be needed to support existing land uses and anticipated land use expansion. For this reason, the

municipal master plan will also be used by the Town Council and municipal staff to help plan, determine and prioritize future budgetary expenditures.

The Alpine municipal master plan will be updated every three to four years. More frequent revisions may be made to the municipal master plan if such changes are warranted by future economic and land use conditions.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission, Alpine Town Council, Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk-Treasurer

**Project Schedule:** FY 2007-2016

**Project Budget:** \$50,000 (2010); \$60,000 (2014)

### **Objective 3: Update Existing Zoning Ordinance and Revise Municipal Zoning Map**

**Priority 2 (2-way tie)**

#### *Strategy*

**Scope:** The Town of Alpine will revise its existing zoning ordinance and related zoning map. A consultant will be retained to complete this task which will be closely coordinated with the Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission, Alpine Town Council, and selected municipal staff. Revisions to the zoning ordinance that will generally address, at least, the following:

- Re-organize the existing ordinance to make the ordinance more user friendly.
- Clearly identify and establish processes for land use plan amendments, re-zoning, variances, as well as building permits and related inspections.
- Encourage home occupations within selected residential zoning districts and incorporate reasonable site and facility requirements for home occupations.
- Encourage mixed residential and commercial land uses.
- Encourage the creative design of residential and commercial areas, open spaces, and public facilities through the establishment of a planned unit development process.

A draft zoning ordinance will initially be submitted to the Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission for their review and comment. Following the incorporation of anticipated revisions, a draft zoning ordinance will be made available for public review. A public hearing will be scheduled to gain public comments. Adequate time will also be made available for the receipt of written comments from the general public.

Subsequently, the Alpine Town Council will evaluate the draft zoning ordinance and public comments received. The draft zoning ordinance and zoning map may be further revised to incorporate additional revisions. Otherwise, the zoning ordinance will be adopted by the Alpine Town Council.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission, Alpine Building Inspector, Alpine Town Council, Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk-Treasurer

**Project Schedule:** FY 2007

**Project Budget:** Funds previously budgeted under an existing consultant contract

## **Objective 4: Design and Construct New Wastewater Treatment Plant**

**Priority 3**

### *Strategy*

**Scope:** Make application, obtain and match available Mineral Royalty Grant funds to pay for 50 percent of the treatment plant construction cost including design, permitting, land purchase, easement acquisition and construction engineering. Design and construct a wastewater treatment plant to serve Alpine, as well as to serve potential annexation areas north of Alpine.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Town Council, Town Engineer, Water/Wastewater Superintendent

**Project Schedule:** FY 2007-2008

**Project Budget:** Design and construction engineering services: \$647,500  
Construction: \$4,796,400

## **Objective 5: Design and Construct Necessary Improvements to Municipal Water System to Serve the Existing Community and Recommended Annexation Areas.**

**Priority 4**

### *Strategy 5A*

**Scope:** Complete drilling of exploratory well in existing municipal well field. Perform pump test and water quality analyses to determine potential well production yields and groundwater quality. Install well casing and pump equipment necessary for long-term operations.

If a successful water source can be developed in the existing municipal well field, the Town of Alpine will purchase the well from the Wyoming Water Development Commission.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Wyoming Water Development Commission, Alpine Town Council, Town Engineer, Rendezvous Engineering

**Project Schedule:** FY 2007

**Project Budget:** Well purchase: Budget To Be Determined

### *Strategy 5B*

**Scope:** Make application, obtain and match available funds from the Wyoming Water Development Commission, the State Lands and Investment Board, or other potential grant sources to pay for the construction of, at least, a 12-inch water transmission line, across the U.S. Highway bridge. Construction costs will include design, permitting, land purchase, easement acquisition and construction engineering.

The purpose of the transmission line will be to encourage developers of recommended annexation areas to build water transmission and distribution systems that will connect to the municipal water system.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Town Council, Town Engineer, Rendezvous Engineering

**Project Schedule:** FY 2007

**Project Budget:** \$150,000

## **Objective 6: Annex selected lands north of Alpine.**

**Priority 5**

### *Strategy*

**Scope:** One or more representatives of the Town of Alpine will meet with the owners of the following properties to discuss and negotiate potential opportunities for annexation into the Town of Alpine.

- Alpine Meadows
- the planned Snake River Junction project near Alpine Junction;
- the Best Western Flying Saddle property; and,
- the Rinehart property on the northeast side of Alpine Junction.

Any future agreements associated with a potential annexation should be accompanied, in part, with a municipal requirement for the payment of impact fees for expanded municipal facilities and services. This process will be established in accordance with a new impact fee ordinance that will be developed and adopted by the Alpine Town Council in 2006.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Town Council, Town Attorney, Town Engineer, Town Clerk, and selected landowners.

**Project Schedule:** FY 2007

**Project Budget:** \$5,000

## **Objective 7: Prepare and adopt Municipal Impact Fee Ordinance .**

**Priority 6**

### *Strategy*

**Scope:** The Town of Alpine will prepare a municipal impact fee ordinance to establish a legal basis for the establishment and collection of impact fees from the owners and developers of future land development projects that may seek annexation into the Town of Alpine. A consultant will be retained to complete this task which will be closely coordinated with the Alpine Town Council and Alpine Town Attorney.

The scope of the ordinance will generally include a description of the process and procedures associated with:

- how impact fees will be calculated and collected from owners or developers of future land development projects that may seek annexation into the Town of Alpine; and,
- how collected impact fees will be managed and applied by the Town of Alpine to relevant capital improvement projects.

A draft zoning ordinance will initially be submitted to the Alpine Town Council and Town Attorney for their review and comment. Following the incorporation of anticipated revisions, a draft zoning ordinance will be made available for public review. A public hearing will be scheduled to gain public comments. Adequate time will also be made available for the receipt of written comments from the general public.

Subsequently, the Alpine Town Council and planning consultant will evaluate the draft impact fee ordinance and public comments received. The draft impact fee ordinance and zoning map may be further revised to incorporate additional revisions. Otherwise, the ordinance will be adopted by the Alpine Town Council.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Town Council, Town Attorney, Town Engineer, Town Clerk, and municipal planning consultant.

**Project Schedule:** FY 2007

**Project Budget:** \$7,275

## Objective 8: Prepare Economic Development Strategies

Priority 7

### *Strategy*

**Scope:** The International Association of Conference Centers (IACC) recommends that conference centers support an average group size of 75 persons or less. The IACC maintains that conference centers can support smaller meetings more consistently and at a higher quality. Conference facilities that are certified by the IACC typically orient their operations toward smaller meetings that range from 25 to 75 persons (Mitchell, 2006).

Conference center facilities can generate retail expenditures in local economies such as Alpine, as well as lodging revenues. Such facilities can help sustain retail establishments, particularly during periods of lower visitor traffic.

The Town of Alpine should confer with the owners of the Best Western Flying Saddle to inquire whether or not ongoing re-development efforts of this facility might address the criteria required for IACC membership. If so, the Best Western Flying Saddle should be encouraged to pursue membership in the IACC. Aggressive marketing by the Best Western and related membership in the IACC should facilitate the booking of future small conferences.

A second option is for the Town of Alpine to meet with and encourage a potential future developer of visitor accommodations in the vicinity of Alpine to orient their potential investment project toward the development of an ancillary conference center. The greatest challenge for any potential investor will be project feasibility. In essence, could a local hotel attract a sufficient number of meetings to support the investment required to establish a quality conference center.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Town Council, Town Clerk, and municipal planning consultant.

**Project Schedule:** FY 2007

**Project Budget:** \$500

## Objective 9: Prepare a Municipal Road Plan

Priority 8 (3-way tie)

### *Strategy*

**Scope:** The Town of Alpine will prepare a municipal road plan that will outline planned road improvements within the community, as well as recommended standards for road and street design, construction, and maintenance. Order-of-magnitude costs estimates will be developed for each planned road or street project.

Planned road improvements will include, at least, the construction of Alpine Circle which is depicted on the Town of Alpine's Street Addressing Map.

In terms of road maintenance, road standards in the municipal road plan should address the treatment of road surfaces. For example, gravel and crush rock surfaces on municipal roads should be treated with a bituminous surface (asphalt). Such treatment could be accomplished with, at least, a two-shot chip and seal application, at least, every five to 10 years.

Paved municipal roadways in the community should receive scheduled annual and long-term maintenance. Annual maintenance should include, at least, pothole and /or trench patching. A seal coat should be applied every five to 10 years.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Town Council, Town Engineer, Assistant Town Clerk-Treasurer.

**Project Schedule:** FY 2008

**Project Budget:** \$50,000

## Objective 10: Complete Hydraulic Analysis of Municipal Water System

Priority 8 (3-way tie)

### *Strategy*

**Scope:** The Town of Alpine will make a hydraulic analysis of the entire water system to confirm the adequacy of existing water storage facilities, the transmission system and water distribution system. A qualified civil engineering firm acquainted with Alpine's water system will be retained to make this analysis and report any potential deficiencies in the hydraulic capacity of existing groundwater wells, water transmission and distribution systems, fire flows, and water storage. The hydraulic analysis should also consider system capacities in the context of anticipated water demands within the present municipal boundary, as well as recommended annexation areas north of Alpine.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Town Council, Assistant Town Clerk-Treasurer, Civil Engineering consultant.

**Project Schedule:** FY 2008

**Project Budget:** \$ To Be Determined

## Objective 11: Encourage Development of a Community Library

Priority 8 (3-way tie)

### *Strategy*

**Scope:** A facilities and service needs assessment of the Lincoln County Library System was completed and adopted in May 2005. One of three priorities outlined in the assessment was to “Provide better service in the Star Valley area through improvement of the existing Afton Library and expansion of the library system”.

The assessment identifies various communities in Star Valley where another Star Valley library could be located. These communities included Thayne or Alpine, or a library in both Thayne and Alpine. The assessment stopped short of recommending a preferred option. Rather, it concluded that a prerequisite to further action by the Library Board was the adoption of a resolution by the Lincoln County Commissioners to provide financial support for property acquisition, the construction and/or remodeling of existing buildings, library furnishings and a book collection, as well as sustained funding for library operations (Lincoln County Library System, 2005).

The Lincoln Board of County Commissioners recently authorized the expenditure of funds for the construction of a new 3,600 square foot library on lot 3 of the Alpine West subdivision. The construction of the library is scheduled to be completed sometime in 2007.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Lincoln County Board of Commissioners

**Project Schedule:** FY 2007

**Project Budget:** \$500,000 (Lincoln County budget)

## Objective 12: Encourage Development of Elementary School

Priority 9

### *Strategy*

**Scope:** The Town of Alpine has previously offered municipal property to the Lincoln County School District 2. However, this offer was declined by the Lincoln County School District.

A forecast of future school enrollment that is expected from the Alpine resident population suggests a continuing need for an elementary school in Alpine. This information will be transmitted to the Lincoln County School District 2 for its review and consideration. In addition, a resolution from the Alpine Town Council will also be prepared to renew the interest and commitment of the community to provide a site for a future elementary school. An illustration will be provided to exhibit the location of a potential site within the Alpine West subdivision.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Town Council, Town Clerk, municipal planning consultant

**Project Schedule:** FY 2008

**Project Budget:** \$500

## Objective 13: Prepare and Adopt Subdivision Regulations

Priority 10

### *Strategy*

**Scope:** The Town of Alpine will prepare and adopt a set of subdivision regulations that will be used by the Town of Council to evaluate and regulate the development of future land subdivisions and related land uses within the community. A consultant will be retained to complete this task which will be closely coordinated with the Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission, Alpine Town Council, the Town Engineer, and selected municipal staff.

The subdivision regulations will generally outline application, evaluation and decision-making processes for the review and approval of future land use subdivisions within Alpine. Reasonable and relevant design criteria and infrastructure requirements for site and facility development will also be incorporated into the regulations to help ensure the quality of construction associated with future subdivision development.

Draft subdivision regulations developed by the consultant should be refined following an initial evaluation by the Planning and Zoning Commission, as well as the municipal public works director, town clerk, and municipal attorney. The second draft of the subdivision regulations should be made available for public review via the Internet or hardcopies that can be borrowed from the Town Hall. Public comments should be received during a related public information meeting and related public hearing. Following the hearing, Town consultants should refine the draft regulations to the satisfaction of the Planning and Zoning Commission. The Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission will recommend and transmit the refined subdivision regulations to the Alpine Town Council for its review and consideration.

Following review by the Alpine Town Council, the Town Council will meet with the Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission and Town consultants to further refine the draft subdivision regulations. Once this refinement occurs, a revised set of subdivision regulations should again be made available for public review. A final public hearing would also be held to enable the receipt of insights and comments from the general public prior to adoption by the Alpine Town Council.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission, Alpine Building Inspector, Alpine Town Council, Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk-Treasurer, and Town Engineer.

**Project Schedule:** FY 2007

**Project Budget:** \$9,500

**Objective 14: Improve Attractiveness of Highway Commercial Area, Establish Well-Defined Access Points and Vehicular Parking Areas**

**Priority 11 (2-way tie)**

*Strategy*

**Scope:** Highway business corridors tend to generate more “stop and go” traffic where customers come and shop at one store and subsequently leave the area to another destination. This strategy will make improvements within and adjacent to the U.S. Highway 89 corridor that will help encourage shoppers drawn from U.S. Highway 89 and local neighborhoods to visit more than one retail establishment along the highway corridor.

The establishment of walkways and bikeways that connect all commercial facilities along the corridor can encourage a greater amount of “stop and shop” traffic. The establishment of clearly defined vehicular access and parking areas, and related landscaping, can also help attract greater visual interest to the potential customer traveling along the highway corridor.

The availability of a 200-foot highway right-of-way through Alpine enables the Town of Alpine and WYDOT to work cooperatively to improve the attractiveness of the highway commercial area and, at the same time, accommodate a future widening of the highway corridor.

The strategies associated with Objective 14 represent a combination of strategies associated with Objectives 18, 19, 20 and 22.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission, Alpine Town Council

**Project Schedule:** FY 2008-2016

**Project Budget:** See costs associated with Objectives 18, 19, 20 and 22.

**Objective 15: Prepare a Recreational Master Plan for the Community**

**Priority 11 (2-way tie)**

*Strategy*

**Scope:** The Town of Alpine will prepare a municipal recreational master plan for the community. The plan will further refine conceptual recreational plans presented in the municipal master plan, identify needed improvements to existing recreational sites, as well as determine other recreational facilities that are envisioned for recommended annexation areas north of Alpine.

The recreational master plan will outline conceptual site plans, design standards and order-of-magnitude cost estimates for the development of each recommended recreational site or facility, e.g., community park. Options to the future management of these facilities will also be examined to determine a cost-effective approach to the future operation and maintenance of municipal recreational facilities. The annual cost of operating and maintaining municipal recreational facilities will also be calculated to incorporate anticipated costs into future municipal budgets.

The type of recreational opportunities and facilities at the community park will be coordinated with local residents during, at least, one community workshop. A second option would be the consultant's coordination with a local recreational planning committee that could be established by the Alpine Town Council.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission, Alpine Town Council, planning consultant

**Project Schedule:** FY 2008

**Project Budget:** \$45,000

**Objective 16: Develop a Community Park on Municipal Lands North of River View Meadows Subdivision.**

**Priority 12 (2-way tie)**

*Strategy*

**Scope:** Based upon the conceptual site plans and design standards outlined in the recreational master plan (see Objective 16), the Town of Alpine will prepare detailed construction drawings for a community park on municipal lands north of River View Meadows subdivision.

It is envisioned that the community park will include a combination of outdoor recreational facilities such as a children's playground, picnic area, skate board park facility, as well as a seasonally, groomed cross-country ski track for beginning cross-country skiers. The development of a seasonal ice skating area and adjoining outdoor sitting area with an outdoor gas fireplace, as well as public restroom facilities, would also provide an informal gathering place for persons using the recreational area, as well as other persons passing through this area via snow machine, bikes, and cross-country skiers.

The design of the community park will also incorporate a trail link to the planned community trail system.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Town Council, local recreational planning committee, planning consultant

**Project Schedule:** FY 2009

**Project Budget:** \$45,000

**Objective 17: Encourage the Development of Affordable Housing Projects**

**Priority 12 (2-way tie)**

*Strategy*

**Scope:** An affordable housing study will be completed by the Town of Alpine to explore and determine potential options for encouraging the development of affordable housing in the community. The Town Council will retain a planning consultant to evaluate and recommend specific affordable housing strategies, as well as potential locations for such development.

The planning consultant will build upon the residential land use analyses made for the municipal master plan, the 2005 land use inventory, as well as other spatial and tabular data

incorporated into the Alpine GIS. The experiences of other Rocky Mountain communities will be examined. Alternate strategies will be discussed with selected residential housing developers in the region.

Alternate strategies will be presented and discussed with the Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission, as well as the Alpine Town Council. A specific strategy for encouraging the development of affordable housing projects will be derived from these discussions. The planning consultant and/or municipal staff will undertake and complete recommended actions to implement the study recommendations.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Town Council, planning consultant

**Project Schedule:** FY 2007

**Project Budget:** \$25,000

**Objective 18: Establish a More Unified Landscaping Theme along the U.S. Highway 89 Corridor**

**Priority 13**

*Strategy*

**Scope:** The Town of Alpine will, in cooperation with local businesses, establish a more unified landscaping theme along the highway corridor through Alpine in order to create a more attractive retail environment. The Town of Alpine will retain a landscape architect to prepare a more specific landscape plan and related cost estimates for the landscaping improvement project. The landscape plan will consider improvements within the highway right-of-way, as well as potential improvements that could be undertaken by local businesses. The landscape plan for the highway corridor will be prepared in consultation with the Wyoming Department of Transportation.

It is envisioned that existing aspen trees will be combined with wild flowers and shrub plantings in selected right-of-way locations, railroad ties, other wood material, and rock to better define and draw attention to landscaped areas and vehicular access points. Subsequently, landscaping materials and improvements outlined in the landscaping plan will be installed.

Upon completion of the landscape plan, the Town of Alpine will seek potential grant opportunities to help support the highway beautification project in cooperation with the Wyoming Department of Transportation. Landscaping improvements within the highway right-of-way will be installed by the Wyoming Department of Transportation and/or the Town of Alpine in light of the cooperative nature of this project.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Town Council, Wyoming Department of Transportation, landscape architect, landscape contractors

**Project Schedule:** FY 2010

**Project Budget:** \$ To Be Determined - during completion of landscape plan

**Objective 19: Adopt Effective Access Management Plan through Alpine.**

**Priority 14**

*Strategy*

**Scope:** Ongoing evaluations of the municipal zoning ordinance will consider the development of ordinance provisions that can address vehicular access management issues associated with vehicular ingress and egress to retail establishments along the U.S. Highway 89 corridor. The zoning ordinance will also consider the establishment of potential setback requirements for commercial facilities and other land uses situated along the corridor.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission; planning consultant.

**Project Schedule:** FY 2007

**Project Budget:** None required

**Objective 20: Develop a Community Trail System**

**Priority 15**

*Strategy*

**Scope:** The Town of Alpine will incrementally construct a community trail system (Figure 8-2). Construction of the trail system will be based upon the conceptual site plan and design standards outlined in the proposed recreational master plan (see Objective 15).

The recommended community trail system will provide recreational opportunities for walking, biking and cross-country skiing, as well as snow machine and ATV travel, along designated trail routes within the community. Motorized and non-motorized travel modes will be separated to facilitate public safety and potential user conflicts.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Town Council, Town Engineer

**Project Schedule:** FY 2009-2012

**Project Budget:** \$ To Be Determined - during the recreational master plan

**Objective 21: Construct Alpine Circle Roadway**

**Priority 16**

*Strategy*

**Scope:** Alpine Circle, which is shown on the Town of Alpine's Street Addressing Map, will be designed and constructed by the Town of Alpine to encourage future land use development around one parcel in Lake View Estates, Tract C. The construction of the municipal road would provide an alternate vehicular access route to Greys River Road, from Lake View Estates, Tract C, and redirect some local traffic in Alpine away from U.S. Highway 89. The

availability of this alternate route may also, to a limited extent, help ease local traffic congestion along U.S. Highway 89 during peak travel periods.

The design and construction of this road will be completed in conformance with the municipal road plan (see Objective 9). It is envisioned that the construction of this road would initially not need to be paved. However, the roadway would ideally contain a minimum of a compacted 6-inch gravel or crushed rock base (in two courses).

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Town Council, Town Engineer

**Project Schedule:** FY 2010

**Project Budget:** \$ To Be Determined - during preparation of the municipal road plan (see Objective 9)

**Objective 22: Encourage WYDOT to construct a 5-Lane Highway Through Alpine**

**Priority 17 (2-way tie)**

*Strategy*

**Scope:** In order to maintain a minimum level of service C, the 2005 Corridor Study concludes that a five-lane highway will eventually be needed from north of Afton through the Town of Alpine. The recommended five-lane highway would generally include two 12-foot lanes in each direction, a 12-foot center lane to accommodate two-way left turns, and two 8-foot shoulders. WYDOT envisions the future acquisition of road right-of-way through Alpine during a future project development phase after completion of an environmental review and approval process.

The Alpine Town Council will prepare a resolution supporting this future highway expansion. The resolution will also indicate that the Town of Alpine is supportive of the construction of service roads within the highway right of way. In addition, the Town of Alpine will express its commitment to establish a 75-foot setback from the highway right-of-way within its municipal zoning ordinance (see Objective 19).

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Town Council, Town Clerk

**Project Schedule:** FY 2007

**Project Budget:** None for the Town of Alpine. Highway construction costs will be borne by Wyoming Department of Transportation.

**Objective 23: Develop a Community Transportation System**

**Priority 17 (2-way tie)**

*Strategy*

**Scope:** The Town of Alpine will retain a planning consultant to examine the cost and feasibility of establishing and operating its own municipal bus system. This community amenity would be attractive to both existing and prospective residents of Alpine who commute to work. The same service would also encourage greater retail expenditures within the community.

The feasibility study will evaluate and quantify the potential market, alternate service routes and schedules, the type and size of equipment required, administrative and maintenance requirements, user fees, as well as anticipated costs for a transportation center, bus storage facility, and bus equipment. These analyses will be used to develop profit-loss and cash flow statements for the proposed bus system, as well as determine starting and working capital requirements.

The feasibility study should also analyze other potential sources of revenue that may be derived from providing public transportation for selected community services. For example, the planned Alpine Child Development Center might also make use of this service to transport some of its clients to the center. In turn, the Center could pursue grant funds to provide some financial resources that could be used, in part, to help sustain bus system operations.

The Town of Alpine will pursue federal and/or state grant funds to help finance, at least, the initial feasibility study.

Based upon the findings of the feasibility study, the Alpine Town Council will determine whether or not it desires to proceed with the establishment of a municipal bus system.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Town Council, Town Clerk, planning consultant

**Project Schedule:** FY 2009

**Project Budget:** \$45,000

**Objective 24: Increase Financial Commitment to the Alpine Volunteer Fire Department**

**No Priority Assigned**

*Strategy*

**Scope:** In FY 2005, AVFD received \$26,000 from the Town of Alpine, \$40,000 from Lincoln County, \$6,000 from the Alpine-Bonneville Fire District, as well as additional \$4,000 in ambulance bill service receipts. AVFD estimates that the department requires about \$95,000 to operate its equipment, provide adequate volunteer training, and secure required liability insurance. An additional \$6,000-\$7,000 is needed to obtain workmen's' compensation, as well as accident and accidental death and disability insurance from the municipal liability pool. Consequently, greater financial support is needed from the Town of Alpine, Lincoln County and other public agencies.

The Town of Alpine will increase its annual financial support to the Alpine Volunteer Fire Department. Annual contributions toward these essential services will be, at least, \$40,000 to enable AVFD to meet annual operating costs.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Town Council, Town Clerk, planning consultant

**Project Schedule:** FY 2007-FY 2016

**Project Budget:** \$45,000 per year (FY 2007). Assume 3% annual increase in budgetary requirement to FY 2016.

## **Objective 25: Prepare a Municipal Building Code Ordinance**

**No Priority Assigned**

### *Strategy*

**Scope:** The Town of Alpine will prepare and adopt a revised building code ordinance. These municipal regulations will be used by the Town Council to refine and organize application, review, inspection and approval processes that will be applied to future construction projects in the community.

A planning consultant will be retained to complete this task which will be closely coordinated with the Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission, Alpine Town Council, the Town Building Inspector, and Town Engineer.

The building code regulations will generally outline:

- A building permit process that identifies application requirements, review criteria, required building inspections during construction, and ultimate authorization for building occupancy.
- Building and construction code standards that will be adopted by the Town of Alpine.

Existing building application and inspection forms will also be reviewed and evaluated. One or more of these forms may be revised to establish consistency with the revised building ordinance.

The draft ordinance will be refined following an initial evaluation by the Planning and Zoning Commission, the Town building inspector, the Town Attorney, and municipal public works director. The second draft of the ordinance will be made available for public review via the Internet or hardcopies that can be borrowed from the Town Hall. Public comments should be received during a related public information meeting and related public hearing. Following the hearing, the Town consultant will refine the draft ordinance to the satisfaction of the Planning and Zoning Commission. The Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission will recommend and transmit the refined ordinance to the Alpine Town Council for its review and consideration.

Following review by the Alpine Town Council, the Town Council will meet with the Town consultant to further refine the draft building code regulations. Once this refinement occurs, a final public hearing would also be held to enable the receipt of insights and comments from the general public prior to adoption by the Alpine Town Council.

**Responsibility of Implementation:** Alpine Planning and Zoning Commission, Alpine Building Inspector, Alpine Town Council, Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk-Treasurer, planning consultant

**Project Schedule:** FY 2007

**Project Budget:** \$12,600