

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY ACTIONS

MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS:

- Professional staff are employed in the area of budgeting and finance.

<http://www.frazertownship.net/offices.html>.

- A revenue-expenditure trend analysis is conducted annually during budget preparation meetings.
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- Funds for capital expenses are not used for day to day expenses.

For the first time in Township history, Frazer Township created a Capital Reserve Fund in 2006 to set aside funds for capital-related borrowing for major improvement projects. Line items were created to save for repair of the maintenance building roof, a new backhoe, a new five-ton truck, a skid loader, road construction projects, a legal reserve, and updates to the Zoning Ordinance.

- Municipality routinely evaluates ability to ensure that revenue is sufficient to maintain public infrastructure, i.e., road, water, sewer, stormwater (community has an asset management based budget system).

In October of each calendar year, the Board of Supervisors hold a public meeting to work on the budget for the following year to evaluate financial status and to insure that revenue is sufficient to maintain public infrastructure and public safety.

- Obligations for pensions/other post-employment benefits are funded for the long-term to at least 80%. Pension obligations are an essential part of the budget and are provided for through approval of a Minimum Municipal Obligation each September and placed in the budget

<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf/PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Ordinances%20Adopted%20Since%20Last%20Update.pdf>.

- 5-10 percent of operating funds are carried over year to year.

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- Taxation takes a balanced approach applicable to all sectors of municipal services provided and fees satisfy cost recovery.

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- Green vehicle fleet assessment has been initiated toward: reducing fuel consumption, using greener fuels and/or vehicles, vehicle right-sizing for the job/trip, retrofit or replace older diesel trucks or equipment with cleaner technology, or driver education about driving techniques for fuel economy. Green vehicle fleet assessment was evaluated and discussed at the Board of Supervisors meetings in May and June of 2012 while researching the purchase of new police vehicles. The Board agreed with the Chief of Police that choice of newer green model vehicles was limited and would not meet the current needs of the Township.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

- Civic engagement, public participation and transparency are regularly assessed and facilitated.

Community engagement and public participation are encouraged through public comment at Board of Supervisors meetings or by e-mailing the Township Secretary at frazertwp@comcast.net.

- A Historic Review Commission is active.

The Township Secretary continually requests historical information and photographs from the public that may be viewed in the Trivia section of the Township's website www.frazertownship.net.

- Municipality communicates with the public via a regularly scheduled newsletter or regularly updated web based communications.

The Township's website also has reference to a quarterly newsletter that may be found on the home page under General Information (<http://www.frazertownship.net/TownshipsToday.pdf>).

- All municipal-sponsored events have a sustainability-awareness component Annual Clean-Up Days are held each May and dumpsters are provided for use by residents at the Township's Maintenance Building. Information is posted each April on the scrolling marquis on the Township website www.frazertownship.net.

- A program exists to actively pursue and match residents and local businesses to volunteer opportunities to better the community and assist the local government.

The Township actively pursues residents to volunteer for various positions that are listed in the Announcements section of the Township website (<http://www.frazertownship.net/announcement.html>).

LOCAL AND REGIONAL COOPERATION:

- Municipality is an active participant in a Council of Governments. Frazer Township is an active participant in the Allegheny Valley North Council of Governments.

- The municipality utilizes Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreements (ICA) to engage in multi-municipal endeavors.

The Township routinely works with our municipal neighbors and school district and utilizes Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreements to engage in multi-municipal endeavors. Past examples include a Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan with East Deer and Springdale Townships in 2002, a Police Services Agreement with Tarentum Borough in 2005, a Cost-Sharing Agreement with the Deer Lakes School District in 2007, and an agreement with East Deer Township in 2008 to attempt to form a regional police department.

- Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreements include conflict resolution provisions.

All such agreements, upon the advice of legal counsel, include conflict resolution provisions. **Ordinance No. 134** authorized the Township to enter into a police services agreement with Tarentum Borough. <http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Appendix.pdf>

SUSTAINABILITY:

- The municipality is committed to passing a resolution (within six months of enrolling) to affirm participation in the Sustainable Community Essentials Certification Program.

Frazer Township is committed to affirming participation in the Sustainable Community Essentials Certification Program. and sustainable policies, goals, and principles are practiced as evidenced in this document and are incorporated in the Township's Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance <http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2022%20Subdivision%20and%20Land%20Developm>

[en.pdf, http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pub//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2027%20Zoning.pdf](http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pub//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2027%20Zoning.pdf).

- A municipal sustainability program (in name) has been developed and departmental goal setting and budget processes are used to advance it.

Sustainable policies, goals, and principles are practiced as evidenced in this document and are incorporated in the Township's Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance

[en.pdf, http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pub//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2022%20Subdivision%20and%20Land%20Developm](http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pub//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2022%20Subdivision%20and%20Land%20Developm)
[en.pdf, http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pub//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2027%20Zoning.pdf](http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pub//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2027%20Zoning.pdf).

- Sustainability policies, goals, and principles have been adopted.
See above

- A sustainability assessment has been conducted to evaluate municipal facilities, operations, plans and regulations relative to conserving resources, saving money, and implementing policies and procedures that simultaneously advance the environment, economy, and social equity.

On March 1, 2012, the Township participated in the Allegheny County Energy Program for Municipalities (ACEPM) to assess municipal facilities for energy conservation. Improvements completed included replacement of lighting, thermostat, hot water heater, and toilets so that the maintenance building is more energy efficient. A check was received from West Penn Power in the amount of \$389.89 to help offset the cost. (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pub//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Appendix.pdf>).

- There is on-going training for municipal employees and officials and the HR function is closely engaged in advancing objectives of the municipal sustainability program.
- Procedures are in place to measure and track the impacts of the sustainability program (and yearly reporting to the public on results is conducted).
- An executive/management level municipal staff person has responsibility for management of the municipal sustainability program expressly included in their job description.

In November, 2013, the Township Secretary's job description was updated to include responsibility for management of the municipal sustainability program

- Professional development for municipal personnel and officials includes participating (at a minimum, per year) in quarterly Local Government Academy, PA DCED or other professional training association programs.
- Newly elected officials participate in Local Government Academy or other orientation training for public officials.

PUBLIC SAFETY

- Municipality maintains updated public safety mutual aid agreements with neighboring municipalities and shares resources.

Frazer Township maintains written Mutual Aid Agreements with Indiana Township, West Deer Township, Springdale Borough, Fawn Township, Springdale Township, Brackenridge Borough, Harmar Township, Blawnox Borough, East Deer Township and Harrison Township. Police and Fire personnel

regularly trade services. (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Appendix.pdf>) **page A12.2**

- Municipality maintains an updated Public Safety comprehensive plan to be sure staffing and financial resources keep pace with municipal needs for Police, Fire, and Emergency Medical Services.

In 2002, Frazer Township entered in to a Tax Increment Financing Plan with Pittsburgh Mills and the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny that includes an annual Public Safety payment to the Township to support the cost of public services resulting from the development of the Pittsburgh Mills mall and shopping complex (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Appendix.pdf>) – **Resolution 2002-3.**

- Municipality participates in a regional service program or contracts services to or through other municipalities for fire, police, or EMS.

Prior to the development of Pittsburgh Mills, Frazer Township relied on State Police and did not have the Frazer Township Police Department. In order to insure public safety once the mall was built, Frazer contracted police services from neighboring Tarentum Borough before forming the Frazer Township Police Department in 2008 – **Ordinance No. 134** (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Appendix.pdf>) **page A-12**

LOCAL FOOD

- Incentives exist for establishment of farms and gardens within the municipality.

Frazer Township values its rural farms and in 2001 formed an Agricultural Security area to protect local farms from imminent domain (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Appendix.pdf>) **page A-10.**

- The municipality supports a program (or cooperates with neighboring communities) to engage residents in strengthening sustainable food systems to link local foods, farms and people (ex. Buy Fresh Buy Local initiative, Good Food Neighborhood, etc.).
- Education programs are made available for residents on the benefits of organic, locally-purchased food; farmers' markets and farm stands are facilitated.

In 2006, in conjunction with Pittsburgh Mills, the Frazer Township Farmer's Market was formed in an effort to marry the rural and commercial aspects of the Township. Several resident farmers participate in the Farmer's Market at Pittsburgh Mills. Information can be found on the Township's website (<http://www.frazertownship.net/>) in the scrolling marquis.

- A community produce garden(s) is available.

HEALTHY PEOPLE

- Programs by local government, or in cooperation with the non-profit and private sector, exist to address community health concerns, i.e. exercise programs, feeding programs for children and the elderly, crime watches, accessible health care, exercise away from areas of air pollution, etc.

A local business, Destination Wellness

(http://triblive.com/x/valleynewsdispatch/living/s_643286.html#axzz37SwM9DnU) regularly hosts public educational programs related to healthy lifestyles.

Destination Wellness (<https://www.ahn.org/locations/alleggheny-valley-hospital/mills-milers-mall-walkers>) also hosts the Mall Walkers program and health related seminars.

- Outdoor recreation opportunities, amenities, and lifestyles are promoted.

Outdoor recreation is promoted and supported in Deer Lakes Park and the Wagman Observatory (www.3ap.org). Information may be obtained from the Township's website under Places of Interest.

- A program to promote safe walking to school is in place.
- The use of pesticides and herbicides is being monitored and reduced by all municipal departments which use them.

The Township road department minimally utilizes pesticides to control weed growth along Township roads. Most weed control is managed by hiring an independent contractor with a boom mower to cut weeds along the roads.

HUMAN RESOURCES

- Measures are taken to ensure a wide range of candidates are interviewed for all municipal job openings i.e., the Rooney Rule.

Most personnel turnover is in the Township's police department. Interested applicants may download the application from the Township's website. It can be found on the website's home page under Police Department (<http://www.frazertownship.net/PoliceApplication.pdf>).

- The municipality has a written municipal policy prohibiting discrimination and valuing diversity and inclusion.

The Township's Employee Handbook specifically states that Frazer Township is an Equal Opportunity Employer (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Appendix.pdf>) – page A-12.2

- The municipality has provided diversity training for municipal employees.

The Police Department routinely provides non-discrimination training to all officers.

- The municipality annually assesses, and reports to the public, diversity of all boards, employees, volunteers, committees, etc.
- The municipality reports annually to the public on progress in creating a more diverse workforce

ECONOMY

- There is a municipal policy ensuring Minority Business Enterprise and Women Business Enterprise are considered in municipal purchasing, bids and contracts.

Frazer Township regularly participates with the Allegheny Valley North Council of Governments and the SHACOG purchasing alliance in advertising for bids for road improvements, rock salt, and Spring and Fall commodities (www.shacog.com).

- The municipality is engaged in programs to communicate that the community is welcoming to persons who represent diversity (sister city relations, diversity sensitivity training, multilingual signage, etc.)

COOPERATION

- Municipal planning is coordinated with the school district and the two meet together at least once per year.

Joint annual meetings take place with the Deer Lakes School District, West Deer Township and East Deer Township.

- The municipality and local public schools cooperate to share facilities, vehicles, and/or other resources. (For example, the municipality assists with the cost of evening lifeguards for community use of a school swimming pool or for provision of crossing guards).

ENGAGEMENT

- Municipality works with schools and local nonprofits/community organizations to engage students about community issues such as waste reduction and recycling, public safety, wellness, conservation, nature, etc.

Frazer Township regularly works with our local ITT Technical Institute educational seminars for the Criminology majors. The Chief of Police meets with students and provides insight on the workings of a local police department (http://www.itt-tech.edu/campus/school.cfm?lloc_num=89).

MUNICIPAL ENERGY USE

- The municipality has recently completed an energy audit of all municipal buildings and operations. The audit includes findings and recommendations and establishes a baseline of energy usage.

On March 1, 2012, the Township participated in the Allegheny County Energy Program for Municipalities (ACEPM) to assess municipal facilities for energy conservation. Improvements completed include replacement of lighting fixtures and bulbs, thermostat, hot water heater, and toilets (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Appendix.pdf>) **page A-12.3**

- The municipality has established goals from the energy audit findings and is methodically implementing the energy audit findings.

The Township is currently acquiring prices for replacement of man doors, garage doors, and furnace to complete the energy conservation improvements at its maintenance building (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Appendix.pdf>) **page A-12.2**

- Municipal energy use has declined overall at least 15% from the baseline year established in the energy audit.
- Municipality is reporting yearly to the public on progress and results made in implementing recommendations/findings contained in the municipal energy study.
- Municipality is managing outdoor lighting for conservation (and light pollution) and has or is in the process of retrofitting street lights and traffic signals to LED bulbs.
- As part of the energy audit, a greenhouse gas inventory and mitigation plan has been established for municipal functions.

- Positive progress on the greenhouse gas inventory and mitigation plan is reported annually to the public.
- Energy performance of key municipal buildings is tracked using ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager and is reported yearly to the public.

COMMUNITY ENERGY USE

- The municipal comprehensive plan contains an energy conservation element.
- Municipal support is provided to a public program (throughout the community and for businesses) to conserve energy, promote renewable energy sources, and mitigate carbon emissions.
- The greenhouse gas inventory has been expanded to include the entire community (not just the municipality) and a mitigation plan has been developed.

GREEN BUILDINGS

- There is a written green building policy/standard for new construction/major renovations of municipal buildings such as the International Green Construction Code (IgCC).

On May 4, 2010, Frazer Township adopted the 2009 Uniform Construction Code for administration and enforcement of new construction requirements within the Township that includes the International Green Construction Code <http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%205%20Code%20Enforcement.pdf>.

- New construction and major renovations at municipal facilities incorporate (sufficient to achieve) LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver principles.
- Municipal building operations could meet LEED O&M Silver principles or better.
- The municipality has reviewed ordinances, resolutions, and other policies to remove impediments to the use of alternative energy (wind, solar, geothermal) installations or green buildings.

Chapter 27, Section 1558 of the Frazer Township Code of Ordinances

(<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2027%20Zoning.pdf>) was amended in 2010 to include provision for alternative energy sources such as windmills and wind farms.

- LEED certification is required for development projects receiving a public incentive (TIF, abatement, etc.).

RENEWABLE ENERGY

- Municipality purchases energy for municipal facilities from renewable energy sources (or has installed renewable energy sources) such that at least **10%** of all municipal energy comes from renewable sources.

- Municipality purchases energy for municipal facilities from renewable energy sources (or installed renewable energy sources) such that at least **40%** of all municipal energy comes from renewable sources.

WATER USE, CONSERVATION AND QUALITY

- The municipality utilizes a Integrated Municipal Stormwater and Wastewater Planning Approach (as described by EPA) to identify the municipality’s priorities for projects and includes a description of how the proposed priorities reflect the relative importance of adverse impacts on human health and water quality and the municipality’s financial capability. See:
<http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/integratedplans.cfm>

Chapter 26 of the Frazer Township Code of Ordinances (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2026%20Water.pdf>) addresses all aspects of Stormwater Management.

- The municipality actively encourages water conservation and efficiency measures in the community and among businesses.

The Township strongly encourages water conservation and efficiency measures in the community and among businesses (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2026%20Water.pdf>).

- Low impact development and onsite stormwater infiltration is encouraged.

Low impact development and onsite stormwater infiltration is encouraged in the Township’s Stormwater Management plan - Chapter 26 of the Frazer Township Code of Ordinances (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2026%20Water.pdf>)

- Water provider(s) prioritize improving service to existing developed areas as opposed to opening up new areas to development.

The Fawn-Frazer Water Authority services Frazer Township and updates water lines on a continual basis for existing developed areas in the Township.

- Drinking water and sanitary sewer rates are based on the real cost of providing service.

The Fawn-Frazer Water Authority (water) and the Frazer Township Authority (sewer) charge rates based on the real cost of providing services. In fact the Frazer Township Authority has a written Sewer Agreement with the Upper Allegheny Joint Sanitary Authority and Pittsburgh Mills Limited Partnership that limits the amount the Frazer Township Authority may add to any sewer bill in connection with preparation and collection the sewer bills to 15% of an individual sewer bill (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Appendix.pdf>) –page A-17.

- Sufficient investments are being made to the water, sewer, and stormwater systems per real costs and keeping pace with maintenance and operations.

The Frazer Township Authority has signed a Maintenance Agreement with Pittsburgh Mills whereby all costs for sewer line maintenance are the responsibility of Pittsburgh Mills.
<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Appendix.pdf>, **Appendix F.**

- Cooperation is occurring with neighboring municipalities to manage water and sewer supply, treatment and distribution, sewage and stormwater, in the most cost-efficient way.

The Frazer Township Authority is an active participant with Upper Allegheny Joint Sanitary Authority (www.uajsa.com/page3.htm) and its member communities. Recently, joint meetings have taken place to address an EPA Consent Decree for replacement or repair of sewer lines.

AIR QUALITY

- PA State anti-idling law is enforced and compliance is promoted.

The PA State anti-idling law is enforced and compliance is promoted (www.dep.state.pa.us/idling).

- Municipality supports public education regarding reducing air pollution and emissions.

Frazer Township supports public education regarding reducing air pollution and emissions and encourages enforcement of the law (<http://www.reenergizepgh.org/Program>)

- A clean construction emissions policy for all publically subsidized projects has been adopted and is enforced.
- A burn ban has been formally adopted and made part of municipal ordinance, and State or County outdoor wood fired boiler construction and operation is in accordance with state law.

Open burning is prohibited by Allegheny County Health Department and the Township frequently calls Health Department officials to enforce the prohibition of open burning (<http://www.alleghenycounty.us/emerserv/firemar/openburn.aspx>).

- The municipality and its municipal waste hauler service are exploring ways to reduce emissions from vehicles and trucks beyond anti-idling.

GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE

- Policies, plans and ordinances protect wetlands and waterways and their buffers.

Section 22-404 of the Frazer Township Subdivision and Land Development Plan (SALDO)

(<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf/PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2022%20Subdivision%20and%20Land%20Development.pdf>) protects wetlands and waterways and their buffers.

- Written policies exist and ordinances and incentives have been enacted to conserve environmentally and ecologically sensitive places (for example, slopes over 25%, slide prone soils and geology, springs and vernal pools, mature woodlands, Natural Heritage Areas, etc.) in order to protect public safety and natural resources while using green infrastructure for stormwater management.

Section 22-622 of the Frazer Township SALDO (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf/PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2022%20Subdivision%20and%20Land%20Development.pdf>) addresses Steep Slopes and Section 22-623 is devoted to Vegetation and Woodland Preservation.

- Low impact and green development projects, as well as techniques (pervious pavement, bioswales, cisterns, woodland and steep slope protection) are fostered through incentives, ordinances and design guidelines.

- Tree and woodlands protection and management policies are in place (for example, community forestry plan and canopy goal; tree planting programs; tree maintenance programs; tree hazard and health assessment projects; computerized assessment of municipal trees, Tree/woodland replacement criteria in ordinances, etc.).
- A natural resource inventory has been developed for the community within the last 7 years as part of the comprehensive plan.

A natural resource inventory is updated periodically and is part of the Township's Comprehensive Plan (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Appendix.pdf>)

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- Sustainable landscape maintenance practices are in place for parks and municipal grounds. Sustainable landscape maintenance practices are in place for municipal and commercial properties in the Township and Landscape Maintenance Agreements are in place for all commercial properties at the Pittsburgh Mills complex (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2022%20Subdivision%20and%20Land%20Development.pdf>).

AFFORDABILITY

- The zoning ordinance provides for or accommodates a full range of housing opportunities throughout the community.

The Frazer Township Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 27 of the Frazer Township Code of Ordinances provides for zoning districts and overlay districts in which a full range of housing opportunities are permitted. <http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2027%20Zoning.pdf>

- The comprehensive plan addresses the community benefits of and need for expanding housing choice.

Part Nine of the Frazer Township Comprehensive Plan addresses future housing opportunities and benefits – **Appendix D, page A-13** (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Appendix.pdf>).

- The zoning ordinance has inclusionary housing provisions/incentives.

The Frazer Township Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 27-1543 of the Frazer Township Code of Ordinances (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2027%20Zoning.pdf>) provides for inclusionary housing.

- A program exists (perhaps in partnership with an outside agency) to facilitate home ownership: homebuyer incentives, employer-assisted housing, community land trust, etc.
- The community is tracking and reporting annually to the public on results toward affordable housing for residents.

SUSTAINABLE NEIGHBORHOODS

- A current inventory of vacant and blighted/blighting properties is maintained and mapped. An inventory of vacant and blighted properties was mapped in 2013 – Resolution 2013-5.

- A program is being implemented to put blighted, abandoned properties back into productive use: smart rehab code, conservatorship, demolition, acquisition, green lot strategies, etc.

The Township is awaiting approved grant monies through the Allegheny Valley North Council of Governments for removal of five blighted structure under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Year 40 – Resolution 2013-5.

- The municipality has elected to administer and enforce PA's statewide Uniform Construction Code (UCC).

On May 4, 2010, Frazer Township adopted the PA Uniform Construction Code,

(<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%205%20Code%20Enforcement.pdf>)

- The municipality has adopted (and enforces) a property maintenance code within the last 6 years per good, safe rental housing.

On May 4, 2010, Frazer Township adopted the International Property Maintenance Code-

(<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%205%20Code%20Enforcement.pdf>).

- Staffing is in place sufficient to enforce building and maintenance codes.

The Township has a full-time Zoning Officer to enforce the building and maintenance codes

(<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%205%20Code%20Enforcement.pdf>).

- The municipality utilizes a system for collection of delinquent taxes and fees in order to mitigate blight and abandonment.

The Township has a Delinquent Real Estate Tax Agreement with Jordan Tax Service for collection of delinquent property taxes (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Ordinances%20Adopted%20Since%20Last%20Update.pdf>).

MOBILITY

- Trails for walking and bicycling are being developed or maintained.

Trails for walking and bicycling are maintained by Deer Lakes Park that is partially located in Frazer Township. (<http://www.alleghenycounty.us/parks/index.aspx>)

- Alternate transportation (e.g. transit, inter-modal, multi-modal, bicycle/pedestrian) are accommodated and promoted.
- Public transportation and ride sharing are promoted and facilitated, as is transit-oriented development (where applicable).
- Bicycle lanes or shared roadways are being developed and a “Share the Road” education campaign is being advanced.

- Police are trained on the rights and responsibilities of bicyclists and state law on passing bicycles.

Frazer Township Police are trained on the rights and responsibilities of bicyclists and state law on passing bicycles (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2015%20Motor%20Vehicles%20and%20Traffic.pdf>).

- Traffic calming techniques, "complete streets" projects, access management and congestion management programs have been evaluated and are being implemented.

Traffic studies are required, depending on trips generated, for all new development in the Township (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2027%20Zoning.pdf>).

LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION: COMMUNITY

- Professional staff are employed or retained to manage the land use program.

The Township Engineer and Zoning Officer are employed by the Township to manage the land use program. (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%205%20Code%20Enforcement.pdf>)

- Comprehensive land use/development plan is current, addresses impacts to neighboring communities, and incorporates sustainability principles.

The Frazer Township Subdivision and Land Development Plan found in chapter 22 of the Frazer Township Code of Ordinance <http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2022%20Subdivision%20and%20Land%20Development.pdf> incorporates sustainability principles.

- A multi-municipal comprehensive plan has been adopted as has an official map.

A multi-municipal Comprehensive Plan with Springdale and East Deer Townships has been adopted and contains an official map of Frazer Township. (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Appendix.pdf>) **Appendix D.**

- Up-to-date ordinances for zoning and subdivision/land development are in place to implement the comprehensive plan.

Zoning and Subdivision and Land Development Plans are regularly updated (newest revisions 2014) and reflect the Township's Comprehensive Plan <http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Ordinances%20Adopted%20Since%20Last%20Update.pdf>.

- The comprehensive plan and ordinances promote pedestrian-oriented, dense, walkable, mixed-use development (in existing and proposed development), and redevelopment in the core or town center.

The Township's Subdivision and Land Development Plan and Zoning Ordinance Chapter 27-1540 (www.keystatepub.com) promotes Mixed-Use development.

- A Transfer Development Rights (TDR) program is in place to incent development where infrastructure currently exists and to protect important green space.
- Developers are required to submit a comprehensive and detailed fiscal impact analysis including long-term fiscal impacts such as road repair, school infrastructure needs and other public services with their development applications.

Developers are required to execute a Developer's Agreement with the Township to address all road, public service and other development issues. A detailed Agreement was signed by the Township and Pittsburgh Mills in 2005. A standard form Development Agreement was adopted by the Township in Resolution 2006-7 (<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Appendix.pdf>) **page A-12.1**

- Land use and development decisions are assessed to ensure they do not have negative fiscal, stormwater, traffic, infrastructure, or service demands, or quality of life impacts on neighboring municipalities.

Land use and development decisions are assessed at Planning Commission meetings, conditional use hearings, stormwater management plans, traffic studies, etc. for all new development http://mpc.landuselawinpa.com/mpc_guide.html.

LAND USE and TRANSPORTATION: GREEN SPACE

- The Comprehensive Plan identifies environmentally sensitive, ecologically significant, and civic/historic places.

Frazer Township's Comprehensive Plan identifies environmentally sensitive, ecologically significant, and civic/historic places in The Early History Section. <http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Appendix.pdf> - **Appendix D.**

- The Comprehensive Plan and ordinances protect farmland and/or promotes community gardens and infill green space.

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- The Comprehensive Plan includes a parks/recreation and open space component with proposed passive or active greenways, parks and trails and the zoning and subdivision ordinances support the vision.

The Comprehensive Plan includes a parks/recreation and open space component in Part Twelve And the zoning and subdivision ordinances support the vision <http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2022%20Subdivision%20and%20Land%20Development.pdf>, <http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2027%20Zoning.pdf>

- The greenspace/open space plan has benchmarks and results are reported annually to the public.
- The municipality has a PA Dept of Agriculture Agricultural Security Area (ASA).

Frazer Township formed an Agricultural Security Area in with Resolution 2001-7. **Page A-10** <http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Appendix.pdf>

THRIVING LOCAL GREEN BUSINESS

- The municipality has assessed Main Street program options and opportunities for possible applicability and implementation.
- Owners and tenants in the retail area are engaged with the municipality to provide attractive sidewalks, trees, and street furniture and make the area safe for pedestrians and bicyclists.

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[pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2027%20Zoning.pdf](http://PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2027%20Zoning.pdf), Section 1627 of the Townships Zoning Ordinance requires landscape plans.

- The municipality maintains and supports an initiative to encourage residents to buy local. The Township maintains and supports an initiative to encourage residents to buy local by listing all Township businesses on the website – Places of Interest, and providing a link to Pittsburgh Mills on the home page www.frazertownship.net.

- Municipal action plans for promoting minority and women-owned business are being advanced, including seeking proposals from the same for purchasing, services, etc.

- A program is in place to encourage businesses to be aware of innovative sustainable business approaches and to recognize achievement.

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LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION: MATERIAL USE, WASTE AND RECYCLING

- Waste and recycling ordinances and regulations are in compliance and enforced per Act 101, or if not a mandatory-Act 101 municipality, a municipal recycling program is conducted.

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<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2020%20Solid%20Waste.pdf>

- There is a curbside and/or drop-off recycling program.
- The municipality contracts for solid waste collection as opposed to individual home owners contracting for the same.
- There is a written waste reduction and recycling ordinance for residential, commercial and institutional facilities.

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<http://www.keystatepub.com/keystate-pdf//PA/Allegheny/Frazer%20Township/Chapter%2020%20Solid%20Waste.pdf>.

- There is an active public informational program to encourage citizens to reduce waste and recycle.

Frazer Township holds annual clean-up days with notice published in the local newspaper.

<http://www.frazertownship.net/FrazerCleanup.pdf>

- All municipal buildings have an active recycling program.
- For municipal facilities, a recent waste management assessment has been conducted with Municipal employees trained in waste reduction and recycling.
- An Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Program has been implemented for municipal operations.
- Municipality has an active litter prevention/clean-up program.

- An expanded material recycling program is being advanced, i.e., e-waste, composting, pharmaceuticals,, and household hazardous waste for community-wide collection.

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Twice per year, there is a Hard to Recycle event held in the Township.

<http://www.frazertownship.net/HardToRecycle.pdf>

- A community-wide recycling program is maintained at 5% above the state stipulated goal of 35 percent.