

VISION:

Current: Davidson is a town that has long been committed to controlling its own destiny as a distinct, sustainable, and sovereign municipality. Our town's sense of community is rooted in citizens who respect each other; in racial and socioeconomic diversity; in pedestrian orientation; and in the presence of a liberal arts college. We believe our history and setting guide our future.

Proposed modifications (Feb 2018):

VISION:

Davidson remains committed to controlling our own destiny as a distinct, sustainable, and sovereign small town. Our sense of community is rooted in citizens who respect each other, in racial and socioeconomic diversity, and in pedestrian orientation; all in the presence of a small liberal arts college.

Our history and character guide our future as we strive to be the best small town in America.

CORE VALUE #5:

Current: Davidson's traditional character is that of a small town, so land planning will reflect its historic patterns of village-centered growth, with connection of neighborhoods, preservation of rural area, and provision of public spaces.

Retreat (Jan 2018) revision: Davidson is a small, historic, college town. We are a town that celebrates our rich cultural and architectural history. Our unique character is reflected in our land use, managed approach to growth, and preserved in our architectural history and honored when incorporated with new development. Our land planning will reflect historic patterns of village-centered growth, connections between our neighborhoods, preservation of our rural area, and provision of our public spaces.

CORE VALUE #5

Option #1

Davidson's traditional character is that of a small college town that celebrates its rich cultural and architectural history. Its land use policies and approach to development will manage population growth, connect neighborhoods, preserve rural areas, and provide engaging public spaces.

Option #2

Davidson's historic character as a small town must be preserved, so development will support a thriving village center, connect neighborhoods, protect rural areas, provide public spaces, and preserve architectural history and character while managing residential growth.