

Nehalem's Vision Statement and Aspirations

Vision Statement

In 2040, Nehalem is a livable, economically sustainable, rural coastal community, a place where people know each other and celebrate its setting of natural beauty.

Vision Aspirations

The following aspirations have been identified as the path to achieve our City's vision:

Housing

- Housing is available to meet the diverse needs of Nehalem citizens, and reflects the rural, coastal character of the community.

Social Support and Safety

- Nehalem is noted for its livability for people of all ages, income levels and family sizes. It has many avenues for making connections among neighbors including local businesses, gardening, recreation, gathering places, and events.

Economy

- Nehalem has a strong four-season economy. Encouraging small businesses, vital goods and services, cottage industries, and home-based businesses to locate in Nehalem results in a vibrant year-round economy.

Infrastructure

- Nehalem's infrastructure of water, sewer, storm drains, streets and parks is developed to good standards for a rural community, well-maintained and renewed as needed from well-funded and well-managed reserve funds.

Open Space, Parks and Recreation

- Access to the outdoors is a key part of Nehalem's character and the community's experience of living. Open space, parks, and active and passive recreation are readily available to citizens and visitors.

Inclusive and Collaborative Community

- Nehalem is an inclusive and collaborative community where local governments, not-for-profit organizations, businesses, and residents work together to successfully address community issues and opportunities. The City actively promotes citizen involvement. A culture of trust and respect defines the community.