



NORTHWEST REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

ST. ALBANS CITY REPORT - 2025

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NRPC PROJECTS & PROGRAMS

- Municipal plan and bylaw updates, technical assistance for local permitting
- Brownfields site assessments, cleanups and redevelopment plans
- Transportation planning and project management
- Water and wastewater project management
- Emergency preparedness, disaster recovery and resilience
- Energy conservation, renewable energy plans and projects
- Water quality planning, grants and project management
- Regional plans for growth and development
- Geographic Information System maps and data
- Downtown and village revitalization and community development

ASSOCIATED PROJECTS MANAGED BY NRPC

- Northern Vermont Economic Development District
- Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail
- Northwest Vermont Regional Foundation, Inc.
- Clean Water Service Provider: Missisquoi & Lamoille River Basins

REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS

Elisabeth Nance & Chip Sawyer

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

vacant seat

Northwest Regional Planning Commission (NRPC) is a governmental organization created by the municipalities of Franklin and Grand Isle Counties. NRPC implements a variety of projects and programs to serve local, regional and statewide needs. All municipalities in the region have two locally appointed members of the Board of Commissioners.

2025 ST. ALBANS CITY PROJECTS

- Coordinated education and outreach for the Regional MS4 stormwater permit program including a rain barrel workshop, a water themed storytelling event, and multiple stream cleanups.
- Provided support and funding for supplemental brownfields assessment and a soil management plan at the 12-22 Stebbins Street property to assist the owner achieving a Certificate of Completion.
- Provided support and funding for supplemental assessment and cleanup planning at 20 LaSalle Street property to assist the property owner in understanding cleanup requirements and costs.
- Updated the locally adopted Emergency Management Plan in consultation with the City EM Committee.
- Provided the 2025 VTrans Highway and Community Maps.
- Supported the St. Albans City Climate and Energy Committee's planning efforts, including drafting an enhanced energy plan.
- Organized a WindowDressers build with the Energy and Climate Committee.
- Assisted the Planning Commission and city staff with drafting the 2025 City Plan update.
- Collaborated with the Planning Commission and Selectboard on regional future land use mapping for the 2026-2034 Northwest Regional Plan update, which will be the new process for maintaining Village Center Designation.
- Coordinated with the City staff on the opportunity to "opt-in" to Tier 1B Act 250 jurisdiction, which grants an exemption from Act 250 for certain housing projects in centers and neighborhoods draft Regional Future Land Use map.
- Participated in the update of the City's Local Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- Completed a sidewalk inventory.
- Collaborated with City and VTrans staff in planning for a new Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail trailhead.

This year the Commission will assist our member municipalities with grant applications, project management, water quality project implementation, and local road permit compliance. NRPC will support local energy and climate planning, zoning bylaw updates, emergency preparedness, brownfields redevelopment and other needed services. NRPC will help promote the Missisquoi and Lamoille Valley Rail Trails and update its regional plan to support more housing. The Commission has no regulatory or taxing authority; however, each year we do request a per capita assessment in support of local and regional activities and to provide matching funds for state and federal programs.

Your continued support for NRPC is greatly appreciated. We are your resource – we are here to help with planning, zoning, transportation, project management, mapping or other needs.