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<p>HISTORIC RESOURCES:</p> <p>The Winthrop Maine Historic Society (WMHS) is active and strives to preserve the town's valued heritage through a variety of efforts, including education and outreach. Winthrop has an abundance of historic buildings and sites, with four on the National Register. While most of these historic buildings have been well maintained and preserved, the privately owned buildings that have fallen into disrepair present a challenge.</p> <p>The town currently has no requirements above the state requirements for site assessment for historic artifacts.</p> <p>Goal: To preserve the State's historic and archeological resources by continuing to seek public and private funding, continuing efforts to house historical and archeological materials, and providing a base for research and educational activities, public displays and lectures in the Winthrop Maine History and Heritage Center.</p>		
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<p>1. Protect to the greatest extent practicable the significant historic and archaeological resources in the community.</p>	<p>1.1: For known historic archeological sites and areas sensitive to prehistoric archeology, through local land use ordinances require subdivision or non-residential developers to take appropriate measures to protect those resources, including but not limited to, modification of the proposed site design, construction timing, and/or extent of excavation.</p> <p>1.2: Adopt or amend land use ordinances to require the planning board (or other designated review authority) to incorporate maps and information provided by the Maine Historic Preservation Commission into their review process.</p> <p>1.3: Work with the local or county historical society and/or the Maine Historic Preservation Commission to assess the need for, and if necessary, plan for, a comprehensive community survey of the community's historic and archaeological resources.</p>	<p>Town Manager, Town Planner, Planning Board, CEO, ongoing.</p> <p>Town Manager, Town Planner, Planning Board, Town Council, mid-term.</p> <p>Town Manager, Town Planner, Planning Board, long term.</p>

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2. Continue efforts to preserve Winthrop's history.	<p>2.1: Continue inventorying the materials and documents donated to the town and stored at various municipal locations.</p> <p>2.2: Continue effort to sort, catalogue, and document items that have been donated to the Society.</p> <p>2.3: Continue working to digitize all historic materials and documents, when possible, for ease of access.</p>	<p>Winthrop Maine Historic Society, ongoing.</p> <p>Winthrop Maine Historic Society, ongoing.</p> <p>Winthrop Maine Historic Society, ongoing.</p>
3. Continue to support the WMHS's efforts to raise awareness and interest in town history.	<p>3.1: Continue fundraisers, historical walking tours and cemetery tours, lecture series, new family events, active social media postings and more to create excitement and involvement about Winthrop's history to continue to engage the community to be more involved in the town's history.</p> <p>3.2: Consider initiating an oral history project and collect records for preservation by enlisting high school English and/or History departments for both curriculum development and community service time.</p>	<p>Winthrop Maine Historic Society, ongoing.</p> <p>Winthrop Maine Historic Society, Winthrop Public Schools, ongoing.</p>
4. Work with Maine State Historic Preservation to conduct a study on the Civil War statute located in front of the former Town Hall.		Winthrop Maine Historic Society, mid-term.

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5. The town recognizes the importance of buildings and sites of historic significance and looks to encourage and support the Winthrop Maine Historic Society in further developing historic listings.	<p>5.1: Conduct a comprehensive inventory of historical buildings in Winthrop for potential identification and inclusion on state or federal historic listings.</p> <p>5.2: Establish a historical marker program for locally identified historical sites and buildings in Winthrop.</p> <p>5.3: Consider the development of an Ordinance to protect Listed and Eligible Historic buildings.</p>	<p>Winthrop Maine Historic Society, mid-term.</p> <p>Winthrop Maine Historic Society, mid-term.</p> <p>Winthrop Maine Historic Society, Town Planner, Planning Board, mid-term.</p>
6. The Town will prevent disturbance of archeological resources by regulating development in areas likely to contain those resources and requiring surveys before construction activity.	<p>6.1: Explore ordinance provisions or building standards that require applicants to identify and protect archeological resources in sensitive areas. Make building permits conditional with appropriate use.</p> <p>6.2: Make Maine Historic Preservation Commission information and map of areas with high archeological potential widely available.</p>	<p>Town Planner, CEO, Planning Board, ongoing.</p> <p>CEO, near term.</p>