

Responses to Question 2: What do you like best about Sugar Hill?

Access to good educational opportunities for day care -high school

Access to local ponds, rivers, mountains, skiing

Access to Nature

Access to outdoor activities

Access to skiing and hiking

Access to Sunset Hill Inn, golf course and views.

Access to surrounding points of interest (mountains, lakes, streams, hiking, skiing, etc)

Access to the natural environment - hiking, skiing, etc

Accessibility to nearby cities and activities

Acreage required for housing

Active community

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As far as I can tell it is extremely well run and provides just the number of services that we need

Beautiful

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Beautiful and quaint

Beautiful environment

Beautiful landscape

Beautiful landscapes

Beautiful location

Beautiful natural environment

Beautiful scenery

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Beautiful unspoiled views

Beautiful views

Beautiful, peaceful, and picturesque town

Beauty

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Beauty everywhere

Beauty of Streeter Pond

Beauty of the area

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Beauty, peace and tranquility

Bountiful wildlife

Bucolic setting

Calm peaceful feeling

Care for the community and its citizens through environmental initiatives, sound budgeting, and steady upkeep of the town buildings, cemeteries, and outdoor areas.

Classic rural New England village and farms

Clean

Clean air and water, wildlife and indigenous vegetation

Clean environment, natural beauty

Cleanliness

Close community

Close knit community

Close to amenities

Close to hiking trails

Close to Littleton, FNSP, and other North Country attractions.

Close to other communities, Littleton, Franconia, Lincoln

Community

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Community - helping each other

Community Engagement - Opportunity to Participate

Community gatherings - like 4th of July, Holiday party at the meeting house

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Community involvement	friendly
Community involvement	Friendly
Community members	Friendly atmosphere
Community members	Friendly community
community spirit	Friendly Community
Community spirit	Friendly locals
Community spirit supporting civic, environmental and cultural activities	Friendly neighbors
Conscientious and responsible town government	friendly neighbors
Conserved properties with maintained trails	Friendly neighbors
Country living character	Friendly people
Coziness	Friendly people
Culture	Friendly people
Dark sky at night/no ambient lights ruining visibility of skies	Friendly people
Dedicated and Able Town Management and Staff	Friendly rural community
Effective administration of town activities	Friendly YEAR ROUND folks
Engaged boards/committees	Friendly, community minded people
Environment	Friendliness
Everyone helping neighbors	Friends and neighbors
Excellent fire and safety departments	Good events in the town
Excellent schools	Good infrastructure given small size
Excellent town management keeps values up	Good neighbors
Exceptional and varied beauty, both natural and built	Good schools
Fall foliage	Good services - police, fire, library
Feeling of community	Good town hall and police services
Feeling of community, neighbors knowing and helping neighbors	Gorgeous, special place
Flora and fauna provide year around interest and beauty	Great concerned administrators
Focus on environment (ex. Support of no towers in past)	Great schools
Friendliness	Great sense of community
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Friendliness of the residents	Great views
Friendly	Great views
	Green space
	Has retained its character
	Having a police department

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Help if needed during storms, i.e., fire, police

High quality of living in a beautiful and convenient location

Historic and preserved

Historic buildings

Historical look and feel of town center

Historical Setting

Historical sites/buildings, well-maintained residences, small businesses, and public buildings

History

Hospitality

I appreciate the road plowing.

I happen to like old cemeteries and Sugar Hill needs to make sure to maintain ours

I like the lack of unhealthy air around us.

I like the natural wildlife around me.

I like the Peace and QUIET !

I like the quiet back roads for living, walking, running, and biking.

I love the architecture, flowers, size, and simplicity of the town

If help is needed we trust and can rely on the town's services

Investment and engagement of community

Involved community members

It has timeless northern New England charm

It is close to a multitude of activities.

It is safe

It is very quaint, scenic, quiet and not commercial

Its beauty

It's a small, rural town

Its employees and volunteers who make it work so well

Its natural beauty

Its people

It's quiet

It's quiet (or generally so)

It's quiet, with mostly local residents, and not much traffic.

Its sense of community

Its simplicity

Joe Coffin Pond

Kindness

Kindness

Lack of over development

Lack of traffic

Landscapes

Library

Limited development

Limited regulatory environment

Limited use of street lights

Limited use of street lights

Live free

Living conditions

Living in the middle of nature, beautiful mountains

Location

Location

Location

Location

Location

Location / White Mountains

Location between Boston and Montreal

Location in White Mountains

Location!

Location!

Location!

Lots of land in conservation

Low auto traffic

Low crime

Low crime and good schools

Low population density

Lupine season

Maintained roads

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Maintaining overall character of town

Many places to walk on quiet roads and trails

Meaningful events (4th Of July BBQ, toddler story time, Christmas Party with Santa, etc)

Mountain Views

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Mountains

My wood stove in winter

Natural beauty

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Natural beauty and resources

Natural beauty of the community

Natural beauty of the town

Natural features

Natural resource

Natural surroundings

Nature

Nature

Nature

Nature

Nature

Nature

Nature and quiet

Need at least 5 acres to build

Neighborliness

Neighbors

Neighbors are neighborly to each other

Neighbors who take care of their property

Nice community

Nice welcoming people

No 24/7 industry, noise & light pollution kept to minimum

No chain stores- no large housing developments

No chain type businesses

No condo development

No large master planned development

No low income housing! That is why we live in Sugar Hill. There are plenty of other towns that are zoned and have this type of housing already. We do not need to provide such housing in our community. People who want this in our town are idiots!

No major new development

No subdivisions

No traffic lights

Noncommercial character

Not as much of a tourist destination as other towns around.

Not crowded with too many homes/businesses

Not in constant flux nor overly developed

Not over built and populated- quiet- protect natural resources and beauty

Officials care for residents

Only essential businesses (no big box or chain)

Open space

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Open spaces/conserved lands

Our home is situated where it is quiet and dark (no light pollution).

Outdoor Recreation

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Outdoor Recreational opportunities

Outstanding mountain views

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Peace & quiet	Proximity to mountains
Peace & Quiet	Proximity to mountains
Peace and quiet	Proximity to white mountains
Peace and quiet.	Quaint
Peaceful	Quaint
Peaceful	Quaint
Peaceful	Quaintness and history
Peaceful and quiet	Quality residents
Peaceful community	Quiet
Peaceful quiet	Quiet
Peacefulness	Quiet
Peacefulness	Quiet
Peacefulness	Quiet
People	Quiet
People	Quiet
People	Quiet
People	Quiet
People	Quiet
People mind their own business and most people respect this	Quiet
People work together and help each other	Quiet
Physically beautiful	Quiet
Picturesque and charming	Quiet
Positive community spirit	Quiet
Potential	Quiet
Preserved land/nature	Quiet
Pride in the community	Quiet
Pride in the town	Quiet & safe
Privacy	Quiet (for the most part)
Privacy	Quiet and simple
Progressive	Quiet and Stable
Property value	Quiet atmosphere
Proximity to 93	Quiet but close to amenities
Proximity to activities	Quiet community
Proximity to Franconia and Littleton	Quiet nights and beautiful stary nights
Proximity to Littleton, Franconia	

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Quiet open space	Rural nature of the town
Quiet place	Rural nature of town
Quiet small town	Ruralness, yet not too rural
Quiet, non-commercial environment with incredible natural beauty	SAFE
Quiet, peaceful atmosphere	Safe
Quietness	Safe
Quiet	Safe
Quiet	SAFE
Reasonable tax rate / cost of living	Safe and friendly
Recreational opportunities - hiking/walking trails as well as historical buildings are very well maintained	Safe community
Relatively quiet town	Safe places to walk and recreate
Relaxing atmosphere	Scenery
Remoteness	Scenery
Resources - land, people	Scenery
Respect for private property rights; limited zoning	Scenery
Respect for the environment	Scenic
Responsive capable town government	Scenic beauty
Retains historic elements and characteristics	Scenic beauty
Rt. 117 is largely unchanged in the last 50 years. I grew up in Littleton in the 70s/80s	Scenic beauty
Rural	Scenic beauty
Rural	Scenic beauty - byways, farmland
Rural	Scenic Beauty, Preserved Historic Scale of Buildings, Infrastructure, and Landscapes
Rural atmosphere	Scenic views
Rural character	Scenic vistas and natural beauty
Rural character	Seclusion
Rural character	Sense of Community
Rural character	Sense of Community
Rural environment	Sense of community
Rural esthetics	Sense of community
Rural esthetics	Sense of community
Rural life, quiet, small town with mostly dark skies	Sense of community
Rural Living	Serenity
Rural nature of the town	Serenity

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Simple and clean, not fancy. Norman Rockwell type stuff.

Simplicity

Size

Size population

Small

Small

Small and Quiet community

Small but strong community

Small Community with friendly Town Hall/Road maintenance/Police/Fire/Emergency people

Small rural community

Small rural town

Small scale, home feeling

Small Size

Small town

Small town

Small town

Small town

Small town

Small town

Small town atmosphere

Small town atmosphere

Small town atmosphere

Small town community

Small town community

Small town environment - small & efficient government

Small town feel

Small town feel

Small town feel

Small town feel

Small town friendship

Small town lifestyle; including decent behaviors still popular

Small town quality

Small town spirit and friendliness

Small town with friendly people and employees

Small town with great access to mountains and to Littleton

Small town/ community

Small, efficient town government

Snow shoeing

So bucolic

Solar Initiative

Still rural, plenty of green trees, clean air, land, streams, ponds, lakes

Streeter Pond

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Streeter Pond community

Strict Zoning

Strict Zoning

Strong community services

Strong sense of community

Stunning vistas

Sugar Hill is picturesque, scenic

Sugar Hill is very peaceful and quiet

Sugar Hill Town events

Supportive

Surroundings

The active community

The beautiful homes

The beauty

The Beauty & Open Spaces

The environment

The excellent schools

The friendliness of town members

The landscape

The local history and people

The magnificent views

Responses to Question 2: What do you like best about Sugar Hill?

The mountains and vistas

The natural beauty

The nature

The nature

The open space

The people

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The people in the town are great

The people.

The people: residents/home-owners who care about the town, public worker who take good care of the town's facilities

The quaintness

The quiet

The quiet

The relaxed atmosphere.

The Robertson Town Forest

The rural atmosphere in the town

The scenery.

The selectpeople, moderator, town meeting, police, road crew, Library and librarian, town clerk and office manager, newsletter, Willing Workers, the Historical Museum, The Town Christmas Party.

The small population and no traffic issues

The small town feeling

The spectacular views

The town events like the lupine festival

The town is beautiful

The view

The view

The view of the mountains

The view/beautiful scenery

The views

The views

Those people working for the town - town offices, police, highway and grounds, select board

Town center (town hall, post office, cheese shop, library, etc.)

Town character

Town hall people are helpful, services very responsive

Town hiking trails

Town is well managed

Town management and administration is outstanding

Town office and all departments are well-run by smart, capable and kindly public servants

Towns oversight over its more vulnerable citizens

Traditional small town

Tranquility

Trees

Uncrowded

Uniqueness

Very nice and giving people

Views

Views

Views

Views

Views

Views

Views of the mountains

Views!

Views/natural beauty

Volunteer Fire Dept

Warm community

We are not a city.

We live on 117 - We like the intimate feeling of a small community.

We're in support of town government's politics

Welcoming

Welcoming nature to community

Well governed town

Well kept/clean

Well maintained

Well run

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Well run town

Where I got married

Wilderness

Wildlife

Wildlife

Wonderful quality of village center

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A coffee place	displaced when large sections are oversold + developed.
A dog park (to let dogs run around off leash in an enclosed area)	Better access to WIFI
A pickleball court	Better cell and broadband for all
A place to work out or do yoga	Better cell service coverage
Ability to pay property taxes online would be helpful	Better control of tourist during lupine and fall
Absentee Ownership and Use	Better high speed internet
Access to healthy food	Better illumination of Sugar hill street along the curves in the road for night driving as there are deep dropoffs
Access to high speed internet	Better internet
Actively support equality, diversity and inclusion	Better internet
Activities for seniors or anyone in addition to Bone Builders	Better internet
Additional opportunities for small businesses: retail, coffee shop, etc.	Better internet and cell phone options
Additional, curated small businesses and restaurants that add to the town	Better internet connection
Address the rapid deterioration of Streeter Pond due to the expanding pond vegetation.	Better internet for all residents
Addressing excessive speed on the roadways throughout Sugar Hill, from Lisbon to Franconia/Easton	Better maintenance of dirt roads
Adherence to the speed limits on Route 117	Better phone service
Adopt private roads.	Better road conditions (winter maintenance is great!)
Affordable housing	Better road maintenance (pavement, not snow plowing)
Affordable housing. Rentals as well as owning	Better road maintenance. Snow removal is excellent.
Alignment with state and federal regulations; don't add "special" local rules that exceed state and federal requirements.	Better roads
Allowing the construction of home with less red tape	BETTER ROADS
An environmental plan to keep our land and water clean	Better roads
Assure that new construction is within the character and scale of our community	Better roads
Avoiding the pressures of overdevelopment despite demands for housing	Better roads/maintenance of roads
Awareness of natural pond is now eutrifying into a bog...	Better utilities tree trimming
Be aware of just HOW MANY trees are cut down, + how much is sold + developed... wildlife is being	Better wifi
	Better zoning
	Bike and walking friendly roads (shoulders/walkways on main roads)
	Bring more business into the downtown
	Broadband & better cell service
	Build a pavilion or something for events so a tent isn't needed every time

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Bury the ugly electrical wires especially along Sunset Hill rd.

Bury utility lines on Sunset Hill

Burying powerlines and phone lines

Can our aging "full-time resident" community support/survive with a volunteer Fire Department

Care for the natural environment

Careful development

Cars and trucks - Attempt to reduce excessive speed on Main Street

Cell service

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Cheaper electricity

Clear the trees at the sunset Hill road lookout

Close down residential junk yards

Communication with residents

Conserve large open areas and wooded space

Consider smaller lots for new houses

Consideration to how decisions impact the taxpayer-meaning strain on our police and school system

Continue maintaining and improving roads

Continue to prohibit heavy commercial zoning

Continued careful zoning to prevent eating up open space, forests for humans and our animal neighbors

Continued collaboration/planning to develop the town center as a gathering place for residents based on their need/interest.

Continued good management of the town's roads and facilities

Continued high speed internet implementation

Continued maintenance of roads

Control commercial development

Coordinate growth rate with all surrounding area townships.

Creation of a more attractive town center

Cross country ski trails

Culverts drained on Streeter Pond Drive

Decrease in speeding on 117

Decrease vegetation on Streeter Pond to allow continued recreation and fishing

Decreasing light pollution

Decreasing use of salt on roads

Design guidelines for any cluster or multi-unit development

Develop a "green" environmental strategy with building and infrastructure

Developing policies that lower taxes, esp for senior citizens on a fixed income

Direct market level compensation for landowners encumbered by local regulations

Do not destroy wetlands& river edge, no logging, cutting/build there

Do not over build in town

Don't "MASS-UP" Sugar Hill and New Hampshire!

Effect of global warming on roads and infrastructure

Eliminate police department. Mutual aid is abused to the extreme benefit of other towns at the expense of Sugar Hill.

Embrace nature

Encourage and enforce All environmental protections.

Encourage farm & small animal chickens ownership zoning

Encourage public recreation

Encourage year round residents to allow for strong community

Enforce property blight issues

Enforce zoning laws

Enforcement of speed limit on 117 beyond town all the way up to Franconia

Expansion and more diversity in arts and creative events

Eyesore of neighbors' property

Faster/ lower cost Internet service

Fewer trucks on 117

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Fewer trucks on 117	Improved health of Streeter Pond
Fix the tennis court	Improved roads
Formulation of SB-2 voting for private voting on town issues	Improved roads
Get Airbnb out of our town	Improved roads
Get rid of Slow Down signs which are unsightly	Improved roadways - Streeter Pond Rd. and many other back roads in need of repair
Get rid of unnecessary lighting, residential and municipal	Improved village sidewalks with granite curbing (like Franconia).
Get rid of Virtue Signaling Signs which are unsightly	Improved/additional sidewalks
Get some ideas for housing for people who want to live in sugar hill	Inappropriate and or vulgar language on signs on property owners yards
Getting rid of junk in people's yards	Incentives for solar electricity
Good Broadband	Increase development opportunities and increase tax base
Green energy options	Increase efforts to preserve the scenic nature of the town
Have more police working more hours and enforce the speed limits	Increase funding for road repairs
Having a more user friendly library	Increase minimum lot sizes
Having the lupine festival	Increased support for Sugar Hill police and fire
High speed internet	Increasing opportunity for walking / hiking trails such as the ACT trails.
High Speed Internet access	Internet and telecommunication
High speed internet access	Internet service throughout
High speed internet service	Invest in and Improve Streeter Pond
Hoarders pack rats	Invest in and Improve Streeter Pond (pond vegetation) recreation site
Housing and planned development	It would be great if there were a couple of restaurants
Housing for younger generations to bring life & kids to town	Keep chain businesses out of town - support locally owned business
I honestly can't think of anything	Keep industry out of Town
Improve infrastructure	Keep new multi apartment dwellings out of Sugar Hill
Improve roads (ie. Streeter Pond Road)	Keep out all national chains of any type in town.
Improve roads (ie. Streeter Pond Road)	Keep scenic roads - tree trimming for wires is ok, control clear cutting
Improve satellite / internet access throughout the town	Keep zoning to prevent sprawl
Improve the byway experience on NH 117: 30 mph speed limit, formal pull-offs for views and the ski school historical marker on NH 117 from Franconia to town center	Keeping it quiet by restricting new construction building permits. I'll wait my turn if need be.
Improve the town website to allow online payment of fees, taxes, etc.	

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Keeping views cleared from new buildings or trees.

Larger public parks

Less development

Less expansion of second homes

Less silly "NO PARKING" signs

Less traffic on 117

Leveraging gov't programs for clean and distributed energy initiatives

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Light Pollution

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Light pollution and candle power limits

Limit big trucks going on 117 during the night. They speed, they are dangerous and very loud.

Limit boating on Streeter Pond to non-motorized or battery motors only

Limit commercial development

Limit development

Limit development that negatively affects the natural beauty and solitude: driveway runoff, speeding, noise, and light pollution

Limit large trucks during nighttime hours

Limit new building

Limit ridge line development

Limit truck traffic on main street

Limiting "suburbanization" of our roadsides

Limiting housing development in visually sensitive areas

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Local efforts to address climate change

Lot sizes that reflect soil type, slope, etc.

Low regulation

Lower electricity rates

Lower housing costs to attract young members of the local workforce

Lower property taxes

Lower property taxes

Lower speed limits, add speed bumps and stronger enforcement. Protect the scenic roads with strict enforcement of a buffer of trees. Fine loggers who violate the regulations. Height of houses should be regulated on new structures. One new house on Birches obstructs the view for everyone else. More muscle on the planning board, people who are willing to enforce regulations. Regulate how many acres may be cleared on a lot for new construction. Protect more wild space such as the town forest. Please use less road salt. Use salt sparingly and only when the roads are slick with ice.

Lower taxes

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Lower taxes ie, Let Sugar Hill Citizens individually donate financial to charity, not make it a burden on all Sugar Hill citizens.

Maintain 5 acre minimum for building

Maintain conservative zoning laws

Maintain historic or complementary architectural styles

Maintain its public waterways from invasive species

Maintain small community feeling

Maintain the natural beauty

Maintain walkable streets and Main Street sidewalks

Maintaining a small resident population

Maintaining and strengthen what is positive

Maintenance on the roads

Make the entire cemetery available for use

Maybe another restaurant

Measures to slow traffic on 117

Medical care: more than a local problem, but it is a serious one

Modernized Website

Monthly potluck

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More access to housing for working class people

More active speed control on roads

More active town center--encourage more development

More affordable housing to attract families. This is needed in Sugar Hill and surrounding towns.

More and Better Communication between part-time residents & full-time residents concerning town "life".

More broadband access

More concern for our bodies of water

More conservation areas-water protection

More conservation land (cannot have enough)

More diversity

More established Main St/village center

More families!

More flexibility in altering grandfathered zoning

More flexibility in zoning

More flowers less mowed lawns.

More frequent public transportation to Boston

More frequent road care/paving

More funds allocated to the road maintenance budget.

More gardens less mowed/scalped lawns

More hiking trails

More housing

More housing for local working people

More oversight on signage (slow down signs etc)

More road maintenance

More solar

More solar arrays?

More support for small businesses

More town-wide events

More ways for people to connect, like potluck/conversation on a topic

More young people living here

More young people with young families

Multi-family housing - keep very strict zoning so Sugar Hill taxpayers are not landlords/paying rents for others

My one experience in which I thought faster service could have been provided was after a major storm. But I know how hard it is to staff for the emergencies

New builds should be suitable for the area in terms of size and design

New sidewalks in the village

No additional street lighting.

No business (such as car parts) in residential zoned homes

No high density housing

No multi family development (more than 2 family dwellings like apartments, condos)

No prohibition of short term rentals with easy guidelines

No short term rentals.

Normalize speed limit to 35 mph

Not allowing further development on smaller parcels of land (1 or 2 ac)

Not sure , it's so nice

Nothing - best to stay as is

Notifying & including "village" residents in discussions regarding additions to the "village" (i.e., signs/lighting).

Objectives for land under development/current use/env easement

Offer an architectural resource(including for clustered, moderate housing) for those who want to maintain SH's character.

Open and torn mail issues-Independent post office and services not linked to Lisbon

Openness to new ideas

Ordinance to deter people from parking old cars and unsightly buildings or objects in yards

Parking ordinance for peak seasons

Pave Toad Hill Road to Franconia line.

Pedestrian safety on 117 from town all the way to route 18 and other secondary roads

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Perhaps less employees on the town payroll

Pickle Ball courts at the town's tennis courts

Pickleball courts

Planning to maintain property values

Playground

Pond Weeds clean up. Request Town, State, Federal relief.

Post office

Preservation

preservation of natural resources

Preserve and protect intrinsic attributes

Preserve historic buildings

Preserve natural areas & trail

Preserving the natural beauty

Preserving the unique quaint smallness of the town (small PO, Library, store and museum. No big business, no high risers, etc.

Prevent the increase power line height

Preventing conversion of housing to short term rentals

Prioritize land conservation

Proactive action re: managing short term rentals

Probably impossible, but eliminate large trucks going through 117.

Prohibit state/federal usurpation of local town laws

Projection of our ever increasing need to prepare and respond to natural disasters

Protect scenic vistas

Protect the environment and viewsheds

Protect viewshed

Protection and preservation of historic architecture

Protection of groundwater / well water

Protection of recreational activities ie trails and ponds

Protection of the area's natural resources, clean environment, and scenic beauty

Protection of undeveloped land and open spaces

Protection of views

Provide good cell phone coverage

Provide tax incentives for solar energy

Public transportation: a taxi service and improved bus service from Franconia-Boston

Quaint

Rampant overdevelopment ruining rural feel

Re above, conversation, stressing listening and understanding

Reduce the size of the police dept

Reduced heavy construction vehicles on side roads

Reduced property taxes on long term (20+) resident over 65 yrs old

Reducing the threat posed by powerlines and powerline expansion.

Reduction of nighttime lighting

Regulate tree barrier on scenic roads when clear cut

Remain peaceful

Remain peaceful

Removal of junk yards, abandoned cars and houses

Removal of junk yards, unregistered vehicles and abandoned houses

Removal of Lilly pads form the pond

Removal of vegetation in Streeter Pond for boats, swimming and fishing

Removal of weeds in Streeter Pond

Remove junk yards

Remove unwanted parking signs

Removing unwanted junk at private homes

Repair the Main St sidewalk and extend to Sunset Hill Rd

Repair town roads, use less sand in winter

Require that all vehicles parked on roadside are registered

Respect the traditions - plant trees (maples) along the roads

Restrict Air B&B type rentals. Tax at a commercial rate.

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Restrict commercial development to maintain natural beauty

Restrict commercial ventures in residential neighborhoods

Restrict event venues (wedding, events,) via zoning. Traffic, noise, requires police.

Restrict road "improvements" that widen roads, result in tree destruction, runoff, and increase speed of traffic on our scenic roads

Restrict subdivision of land and protect natural resources when allowing new development

Restrictions on development

Retaining the scenic beauty

Revert introduced species to indigenous ones

Ridgeline construction

Right now a mail carrier.

Road and roadside maintenance

Road conditions

Road improvements

Road improvements

Road improvements

Road repair

Road upgrades

Road upgrades

Road upgrades

Roads and Drainage

Roads need a massive improvement

Roads need to be redone

Roads safe for biking

Safe septic systems for Streeter Pond

Safe sidewalks on Main St. - Improved walkable community

Save \$ by consolidating fire dept with Franconia

Save and upgrade the Sunset Hill golf course before it lost

SB2 - Ability of elderly, infirmed or out-of-town to vote

Seasonal rentals (Short term) air B&Bs (unsupervised)

Seed the ditches to prevent erosion

Set back new development from roads and maintain vegetated buffers between development and roadways

Shift growth burdens to growth sectors. Increased costs beyond current scope should be born by the outliers causing it. Little people shouldn't be funding corporate growth or incursion with future costs.

Sidewalks/bike paths

Sign pollution - both public and private signs everywhere

Small government

Some more affordable housing

Somehow having some affordable housing

Someway to control the lupine disturbance??

Standardized HR/personnel pay/eval across depts

Starter homes that would appeal to young families

Stop building on ridges

Stop the garbage trucks from using our roads as a shortcut

Stop the second attempt at Northern Pass

Strengthen the town newsletter with regular reports from the conservation commission and planning board. Add a question and answer section to the newsletter.

Strengthen zoning laws

Strengthen zoning laws, more housing is ok but there should be regulations - no trailers, no mobile homes

Strong conservation

Support affordable housing solutions

Taxing second homers at a different rate than year round occupants

Thank/recognize volunteers at town events...

The roads could be improved

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There's a lot of building going on, it's so disruptive and breaking down our roads, and so loud. Each build is taking years. The construction companies need to pay an impact fee for starters.

Threat of air B&Bs

Tighter control over new and non-conforming facilities - zoning, permitting and enforcement

Timely road repair

To the extent possible, slow the traffic and discourage commercial large truck use of Rt. 117

Too many upward/outward glare lights left on all night - light pollution (ah - I see this raised below - good. now for some action!)

Traffic/speed control on Streeter Pond Rd.

Transfer station open one day or half day mid week

Unobstructed views

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Unsightly clutter outside homes

Up to date website/ more information

Upgrade some portion of the playground

Value history

Village longevity - key to keeping Sugar Hill on the map

Walking and trails: upgrade sidewalks in village center; continue to expand and promote local trail system

We do not want the development of assisted housing

Wifi

Work force priced housing (Western states model of limited resale pricing).

Would most want to see Streeter Pond vegetation cleaned up so we don't lose the pond as a recreation area

Younger involvement in planning

Zone an area for affordable housing

Zone some land for multifamily use

Zoning enforcement.

Zoning improvements; e.g. sign ordinance, permitted uses, noise & lighting regulation

Zoning laws that are overlooked

Zoning that will ensure the continued good quality of the town's environment, properties, and buildings

Zoning to avoid overcrowding or too many airbnbs

Question 6. If you chose "Not sure," what factors would make you support or not support this zoning change?

Aimed primarily downward, not at / into the sky is OK. Away from neighbors may be difficult to manage without very specific guidelines.

Could there be an exception for security lights?

Depends on individual circumstances. Lights should not be pointed beyond horizontal. No lights shining upward.

Depends on the distance between neighbors. The zoning provision should only apply to lights that are within a minimum distance of neighboring properties, e.g. 1000 feet or less.

Despite answering "yes" I would insist on specific exclusions or exceptions to this policy, to be highly site-specific.

Have not thought about it. Would need more time to consider.

I am in favor of any provision that aims to minimize light pollution in Sugar Hill. Our night time skies are an invaluable positive quality of the community. If we take care of our town I do not think much more lighting is required in any public place. There is no need for any additional street lights in our community.

I didn't move to Sugar Hill to end up being like Bethlehem. I moved here for quiet and no street lights.

I don't know enough about this issue

I generally agree with this idea but would want to see clear language that ensures this is not too restrictive.

I think I would like to be at a meeting to hear all sides of this story and how it might affect different homes.

I would support aiming light fixtures away from neighbors, though not necessarily away from the sky if lights are being shined upward at structures on one's own property.

I wouldn't want to restrict someone's personal lighting choices, especially if they required that outdoor lighting for safety/visibility in their driveway but I would support that lighting not point directly into a neighbors' house or create excessive light pollution if that option was avoidable to respect a neighbor's home.

I'm in favor of more detail in the ordinance concerning direction of lighting, brightness of lighting, number of lights needed but allow for "special cases" - i.e. bear activity or vandalism uptick.

It would depend on the verbiage. I do not think this should include short term Christmas lights. Also even lights aimed downwards can be too bright and if left on all night can be a nuisance.

Just clarifying... Are you talking about street lighting or personal home / yard lighting?

Like questions 4 and 5 above, I really believe it should be case by case, and not involve sweeping generalizations. As for question 6, I would support downward pointing lighting when neighbors are within a certain distance, but not as a general rule for all lighting.

Location.

Need to understand the problem more. Haven't encountered this as an issue and tend to avoid favoring restrictions before it's clear there's a real problem.

Not a very important issue to me.

Not that I am personally planning on installing landscape lighting, but I think some flexibility would be important should I want to place uplights on a tree, for instance.

Please regulate what wattage is allowable. A new house on my road has super bright lights on at night blocking out the night sky and disturbing the wildlife.

Regulations should apply not only to "new fixtures," but also require correction of egregious situation where current light fixtures shine all night, thereby lighting up the sky and annoying neighbors.

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SH should consider becoming a dark-sky community, like e.g. Sedona AZ. Minimal outdoor lighting, all pointing downwards. Curtains closed after 10 pm etc. Most people have no idea what most of humanity enjoyed at night, before the advent of outdoor lighting. Amateur and professional astronomers refer to it as light pollution. Seeing six stars in the sky is not normal.

Should include existing lighting as well as new.

Some lighting may be what people need at their property to deter unwanted guest and others see it as a nuisance.

There are so many options to reducing light pollution (wattage, timers, dimmers) to try first.

This should not be legislated.

This is a solution looking for a problem. Current zoning is sufficient to address outdoor lighting.

This has become a major problem with part-time residents leaving flood lights on that negatively impacts their neighbors privacy/sleep, uses unnecessary power in a time of climate challenge, and impacts enjoyment of the night sky,

This is not an all or nothing thing. Some people don't care about what lights are there so we should not be restricted to particular lighting. Try to accommodate when possible but do not make it a mandate.

Up lighting on my property to accent my home and trees is something I value and adds to the property.

Use of low sodium lighting does not pollute the night sky yet helps people with eye conditions known as "low vision" due to cataract surgery, macular degeneration, and the like drive and see better at night. Rte 117 could be re-lit, and made more accessible for people with low vision conditions using low sodium lighting. Low sodium lighting enhances the viewing of the dark night sky and all its Heavenly beauty.

Question 7. If you chose “Not sure,” what factors would make you support or not support regulating short-term rentals?

Hard one. Does not seem fair to people who depend on rentals to cover ownership expenses.

Sometimes not fair to neighbors if renters cause issues. Seems more fair to just enforce existing laws and address the small number of exceptions rather than penalize everyone.

Absolutely important to maintain character. We don't want to become like Waterville or much of Lincoln...

Another sweeping generalization. What specifically are we talking about here? I believe government should stay out of the way of commerce as often as possible. I would like to work with long-term and short-term rental property owners to maintain the halcyon feel of the town, but would never dictate how many nights a room or property could be rented for.

Duration of 'short-term' definition. Seasonal might make sense especially given age of residents and ability to maintain home through all seasons. Also, provisions for 'temporary' short-term rental such as overseas job assignment/volunteer work, or if want to help with critical housing issues such as visiting nurses, or under a rent-control framework for local workers.

I might support it if better understand the problem that it would be solving.

I prefer no short term rentals, but there should be very strict regulations to protect neighbors at all times, if they are allowed.

I support rentals occupancy requirements. Prefer to avoid investors buying up all the housing stock.

I wouldn't support a complete restriction on short term rentals...they support a lot of local business and support tourism but one option could be considering an annual cap on new short term rentals per year (i.e. no more than 5 new short term rentals permits accepted per year, etc.).

I'd like to know impact now, for instance how many properties are bought for this purpose - compared to people with second homes (eg, they use them for real) who rent occasionally.

If we are not going to enforce such a law fairly across the board then why have one.

I'm in favor but not sure how this is possible. I would like to see a limit on the number of residences in Sugar Hill being rented for 4 months or less (i.e. seasonal or nightly).

It would depend on the nature of the regulations - that's a pretty broad topic.

Keeping out large groups of renters, for example preventing parties.

Live free or die.

Managing short term rentals will discourage non-resident investment in our housing stock that reduces available housing for the workforce/young families more than zoning changes will. Some of the zoning changes proposed will, in fact, become investment vehicles (e.g. multi-unit dwellings, cluster housing, etc) for non-residents and negatively impact the affordability for workforce/young families and the scenic preservation we hope to achieve.

Minimum of 5 month rental agreements. VRBO's and such are too intrusive on neighborhoods.

My neighbors' home has for years been used as an air b&b. Only once has this caused a problem.

That happened when a bear was headed for their property where children were playing out of doors, and I didn't know how to contact the visiting family to offer a warning. Fortunately a car came by honked and the bear quickly withdrew. I wonder how many short term renters become permanent residents.

Need a definition of “short term.” Owners should be free to rent but don't favor rentals less than a week. Not exactly sure what limit should be.

Need more information.

Need to know more information about what short term is?

Question 7. If you chose "Not sure," what factors would make you support or not support regulating short-term rentals?

Not sure if the status quo is that short term rentals are permitted or prohibited. They should be permitted and any new regulations should place reasonable restrictions on them but not prohibit them altogether.

People relying on this for income.

Reasonable restrictions to protect neighbors and property values.

Same comment as above. This issue is unescapable, since owners will engage in short-term rentals regardless of regulation barring extremely heavy-handed fines or penalties, which most communities are unwilling to impose. So at the very least regulations concerning fire and other safety aspects, local services available to renters especially when owners are absent or peripatetic, insurance concerns etc must be considered, as well as appropriate taxation adjustments to prevent free-riding.

Some people need to rent out their homes on a short term basis to pay their property taxes and other expenses. There is already a 9% vacation rental tax.

Sugar Hill government should keep out of the rental market. Short-term rentals and tourism are ingrained in the tourist and seasonal culture of Sugar Hill.

Sugar Hill is a tourist community. I see no reason to be restrictive. There are many part time home owners who depend on supplemental income.

The term "short-term rental" needs to be more clearly defined in terms of length of stay. I believe that some homes that could be considered long-term rentals get tied up as short-term rentals, thereby precluding families who might want to rent for an entire year.

There must be some mechanism for holding owners accountable for noise and nuisance violations.

This may be a solution chasing a problem- or possibly creating one.

We must have standards of use for trash, noise, abandoned trash, too many people in one structure, other possible abuse of our resources, lands & people police/emergency, fire calls.

What are the concerns about short term rentals? Have there been problems in this area?

What is "short term rental"?

Who would this apply to? Why would government get involved?

Would favor regulation only if it becomes a problem to the town or to neighbors.

Question 8. If you chose "Not sure," what factors would make you support or not support Community Power?

Again, who, what, a few more details on rates + impact + who takes care of outages?

Cost and support.

Cost, environmental impact, source of community power.

Depends on what I pay vs town.

Ensuring that the plan includes sustainable energy.

Full financial analysis. Limitations, if any. Restrictions, if any.

I favor micro-grids where communities become more independent and resilient. A decentralized society is very difficult to attack successfully.

I hope, included in this plan, proposal will be strong language to support conservation as well - cheaper power often results in increased use which is negative for the natural environment.

I might support a community power plan if it was guaranteed to provide power at a lower rate than other power sources or if residents had the option to choose the power source they prefer.

I need to have more information and details to make an informed decision.

I would not want to see a huge eye-sore windmill erected anywhere within the community or a field of solar panels. Disposal of the blades and the panels that wear down over the years would cause more environmental damage to the landfills.

I would want to be sure that such a plan, if it made Sugar Hill the "seller" to each of the townspeople, would not overburden the town's administrative employees, and have the unintended effect of making the town a collection agent.

I would want to know many more details about cost to each resident, and what support would we have for maintenance of lines and emergency services.

I'd have to learn more about short term vs. long term goals and commitments. Everyone wants lower prices for sure, but is there a catch?

I'd like to know more, esp factors like if we buy in bulk does it put us at the bottom of the list when there is a major power outage.

I'd need to see more information on how this would work, and what the impact might be with respect to residential solar installations, power buy back, etc.

If it would save money for residents, I would support this.

I'm sorry to say that I will have moved away by then; however, my concern would be not only cost but also reliability. I would trust the committee's decision as they are diligent people who know how to do the required research.

It should provide electricity to the residents at a better price and not become a source of income for the town.

It would depend on the cost.

Learning more about pros and cons would be helpful.

Let's move ahead

Maybe, if we have an alternative of using traditional sources if the bulk purchasing program does not work.

More information.

Need more information regarding cost and repairs.

Need to understand how this would impact the power company we currently have.

Not in favor if participation is mandatory.

Only if we save money and have the ability to opt out if we want.

Promote on-site renewable, solar, small scale wind, etc.

Renewable energy information and support for outages.

Question 8. If you chose "Not sure," what factors would make you support or not support Community Power?

See the plan.

This would be desirable if lower rates would be available initially and in the long term.

This would have to include solar power buy-back at same rate as currently provided by Eversource.

We shouldn't share electricity because one house is not the same as the other.

We question whether or not the pricing would actually be better than our current NHEC pricing. We would want more information before deciding to support.

What if your home has solar?

What's the problem?

Would like more information to make it a more educated and informed decision.

Would like to see more information before deciding.

Would need more information.

Would need to know the pros and cons of doing this first.

Would need to see any plan.

Would need to see any plan.

Would our bid be big enough to drive a significant discount. Locking in rates can backfire especially in a recession when costs should decrease.